

## **The Shins**

# **"Turn On Me"**

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You can fake it for a while  
Bite your tongue and smile  
Like every mother does her ugly child  
But it starts to leaking out  
Like spittle from a cloud  
Amassed resentment pelting ounce and pound

You entertaining any doubts  
'Cause you had to know that I was fond of you  
Fond of Y-O-U  
Though I knew you masked your disdain  
I can see the change was just too hard for us  
Hard for us  
You always had to hold the reins  
But where I'm headed you just don't know the way

So affections fade away  
And do adults just learn to play  
The most ridiculous repulsive games  
All our favorite ruddy sons  
And their double-barreled guns  
You better hurry  
Rabbit run run run  
'Cause mincing you is fun  
And there's a lot of hungry hatters in this world  
Set on taking it over  
But brittle thorny stems  
They break before they bend  
And neither one of us is one of them

And the tears will never mend  
'Cause you had it in for me so long ago  
Boy I still don't know  
I don't know why and I don't care  
Well hardly anymore  
If you'd only seen yourself hating me  
Hating me  
When I'd been so much more than fair  
But then you'd have to lay those feelings bare  
The one thing I know still got you scared  
Yeah all that cold ire  
And never once aired on a dare

You had to know that I was fond of you  
Fond of Y-O-U  
So I took your licks at the time  
A change like that is just so hard to do  
Hard to do  
Don't let it whip-crack your life  
And I'll bow out from the fight  
Those old pious sisters were right  
The worst part is over  
Now get back on that horse and ride.

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