

## **Boyz2men**

### **"Famous and Dandy"**

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[Chorus:]

What will we do to become famous and dandy,  
just like Amos 'n' Andy  
(2x)

It's quite a spectacle  
to see us land in  
waste receptacles  
as if we've planned it  
We're never skeptical  
when we get branded  
Then disrespectful  
cause we feel abandoned  
The height of mediocrity  
is the challenge  
Crawling through the entrails  
of imbalance  
We learn to like to be the heroes  
We learn to lie to the brand name negroes  
We learn to laugh to avoid being angry  
We learn to kill and learn to go hungry  
We learn not to feel, for protection  
and we learn to flaunt when we get an erection

[Chorus:]

What will we do to become famous and dandy,  
just like Amos 'n' Andy  
(2x)

We're born believing we're greater than circumstance  
Infinitely stronger than chance  
As our first breath is handed  
We taste the double standard  
the need to wear the mask  
And with society's nurturing  
The psychic plastic surgery  
begins to take effect  
As our souls watch astounded  
Our characters flounder  
duplicitous identity  
Diction and contradiction

have become the skills  
of assimilation  
Razor honed to perfection  
From the moment of creation  
It's gone from identity crisis  
To survival slingshot to rifle  
Sin to revival  
Try to get looked at  
but not poked in the eyeball  
Warned of our impurities  
Afraid of insecurities  
Real life experts of the artificial  
Athletes and entertainers  
have become the minstrels  
on commercials

[Chorus:]

What will we do to become famous and dandy,  
just like Amos 'n' Andy  
(2x)

On screen or off we can be rented  
to perform any feat  
And we reflect the images presented  
by the media's elite  
Positive or negative attention  
is viewed as success  
U.S.D.A. African American Beef  
is seen as progress  
We never ask ourselves  
too many questions  
too much thruth in introspection  
Maintain the regimentation  
and avoid self-degradation  
We act out all the stereotypes  
Try to use them as decoy  
and we become shining examles  
of the system we set out to destroy  
Cause even in the most radical groups  
you will find  
that when you stray from the doctrine  
you'll see hard times

[Chorus:]

What will we do to become famous and dandy,  
just like Amos 'n' Andy  
(2x)

Being kicked in the mouth  
or smiling with no teeth  
They're both choices, yes

but it's impossible to eat  
Uneducated, underdeveloped  
Undisciplined but mostly unaware  
We join the flavor of the month club  
We swallow the flavor of the month  
Well holding our crotch  
was the flavor of the month  
Bitch this Bitch that  
was the flavor of the month  
Being a thug  
was the flavor of the month  
Then no to drugs  
was the flavor of the month  
Kangol  
was the flavor of the month  
Rope gold  
was the flavor of the month  
Adidas shoes  
was the flavor of the month  
Then bashing Jews  
was the flavor of the month  
Gentrification  
was the flavor of the month  
Isolation  
was the flavor of the month  
My pockets are so empty I can feel my testicles  
cause I spent all my money on some plastic African  
necklaces  
and I still don't know what the colors mean...  
RED, BLACK AND GREEN

[Chorus:]

What will we do to become famous and dandy,  
just like Amos 'n' Andy  
(4x)

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