

## **Sinead Oconnor**

### **"Scarlet Ribbons"**

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I peeked in to say goodnight  
And I heard my child in prayer  
"And for me some scarlet ribbons  
Scarlet ribbons for my hair"

All the stores were closed and shuttered  
All the streets were dark and bare  
In our town, no scarlet ribbons  
Scarlet ribbons for her hair

Through the night my heart was aching  
Just before the dawn was breaking  
I peeped in and on her pillow  
On her pillow lying there  
Lovely ribbons, scarlet ribbons  
Scarlet ribbons for her hair

If I live to be a hundred  
I will never know from where  
Came those ribbons, scarlet ribbons  
Scarlet ribbons for her hair

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