

## The Silent Type

### "The Years Since You Left Me"

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The years since you left me I've spent cataloging your faults; just to see how you've grown. Your list came up empty, so I took the privilege of copying mine onto yours. All your promises cynical, kisses were clinical, in seconds your mood could be swayed by a mistaken compliment paid to some innocent girl who was looking my way, when I swore I would change and start acting my age, but it's hard.

With my research completed all hope was depleted. How do you stand being you every day? But despite my misgivings, I'd trade my whole life for a moment to live beside yours. The way I would look with your arms 'round my waist is a trophy I couldn't refuse. Does that comment surprise you or just make you think of inscriptions you'd like to have made? Well, put your money away because your debt has been paid, though it took all my strength and the payments were late.

Your love is all competition, so grant me one admission and I'll forfeit the race. Just tell me I'll be okay, that I'm fine, I'm fine. I love when you say it that way. Keep on, keep on. I learn from constant attention so provide a distraction and I'll forget how I found my false sense of contentment. I may not know when I wear it, but it's on.

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