

Department Of Youth
Alice Cooper

From the album Welcome To My Nightmare (1975)

Transcription by Brian Gaddis

b= bend rb= release bend x= mute ()= carried note /= slide up
= slide down

Note: Some parts of this song are not transcribed due to the difficulty
in hearing them.

Intro (play twice)
Rhythm figure one
Guitar one

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E- |-----|
B- |--10-10-10-----10-10-10-----|
G- |--10-10-10-----3--3--3--5--10-10-10-----3--3--3--5-----|
D- |--10-10-10-----3--3--3--5--10-10-10-----3--3--3--5-----|
A- |---8--8--8-----1--1--1--3---8--8--8-----1--1--1--3-----|
E- |-----|

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Guitar two

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E- |-----|
B- |-----|
G- |-----3--3--3--5-----3--3--3--5-----|
D- |--3--3--3-----3--3--3--5--3--3--3-----3--3--3--5-----|
A- |--3--3--3-----1--1--1--3--3--3--3-----1--1--1--3-----|
E- |--1--1--1-----1--1--1-----|

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Verse

We re in trouble all the time, you read about us all in the papers.

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E- |-----|
B- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
G- |-----2-2-2-----3--3-----3-----5-----2-2-2-----|
D- |-----3-3-3-----3--3-----3-----5-----3-3-3-----|
A- |-----3-3-3-----1--1-----1-----3-----3-3-3-----|
E- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-----3-----1-1-1-----|

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Guitar two

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E- |-----|
B- |-----|
G- |-----3--3-----3-----5-----|

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D- |-----3-3-3-----3-3-----3-----5-----3-3-3-----|
A- |-----3-3-3-----1-1-----1-----3-----3-3-3-----|
E- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|

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We walk around and bump into

Guitar one

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E- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
B- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
G- |-----3-3-----3-5-----2-2-2-----3-3-----3-3-3-----|
D- |-----3-3-----3-5-----3-3-3-----3-3-----3-3-3-----|
A- |-----3--5p3-----1--1-----1--3-----3-3-3-----3-3-3-----|
E- |--1---3/5-----5-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|

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Guitar two

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E- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
B- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
G- |-----3-3-----3-5-----2-2-2-----3-3-----3-3-3-----|
D- |-----3-3-----3-5-----3-3-3-----3-3-----3-3-3-----|
A- |-----3--5p3-----1--1-----1--3-----3-3-3-----3-3-3-----|
E- |--1-1-3/5-----5-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|

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walls, a blind delegation, yeah.

Guitar one

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E- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
B- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
G- |-----3-3-3-----5-----2-2-2-----3-3-3-----3-3-3-----|
D- |-----3-3-3-----5-----3-3-3-----3-3-3-----3-3-3-----|
A- |-----1-1-1-----3-----3-3-3-----3-5p3-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
E- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----3/5-----5-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|

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Guitar two

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E- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
B- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
G- |-----3-3-3-----5-----2-2-2-----3-3-3-----3-3-3-----|
D- |-----3-3-3-----5-----3-3-3-----3-3-3-----3-3-3-----|
A- |-----1-1-1-----3-----3-3-3-----3-5p3-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|
E- |-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----3/5-----5-----1-1-1-----1-1-1-----|

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Pre-chorus

1. And we ain t afraid of high power, we re bullet proof. And we
2. But we ll make it through our blackest hour, we re livin proof.

Guitar one

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E- |-----5-----5-----5-----5-----5-----5-----|
B- |-----5-----5-----5-----5-----5-----5-----|
G- |-----5-----5-----5-----5-----5-----5-----|
D- |-----7-----7-----7-----7-----7-----7-----|
A- |-----7-----7-----7-----7-----7-----7-----|
E- |-----0-----5-----5-----5-----5-----5-----|

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Guitar two

A- |-----|
 E- |-----|

(After second time, go to End)

partment of Youth, just me an youth.

E- |--10-----10-----10-----9--9-----|
 B- |-----11-----11-----10--10-----|
 G- |-----10-----10-----10--9--9-----|
 D- |-----11--11-----3~~~|
 A- |-----5--5--3--5-----|
 E- |-----|

Guitar one (Go to Verse two)

E- |--5-----|
 B- |-----6/8--6--5-----3--5-----|
 G- |-----7-----3--5-----|
 D- |-----3--5-----|
 A- |-----1--3-----|
 E- |-----|

Guitar two

E- |-----|
 B- |-----|
 G- |-----5-----|
 D- |-----3--5-----|
 A- |--5--3--5--5p31--1--0--1--5~~~--1--0--1--3-----|
 E- |-----|

Guitar three

E- |--5-----|
 B- |-----6/8--6--5-----|
 G- |-----7-----|
 D- |-----8-----|
 A- |-----|
 E- |-----|

Verse two

We talk about this whole stupid world and still come out laughing,
 Arranged for one guitar

E- |-----|
 B- |-----|
 G- |-----3--3--3-----5-----|
 D- |----3-3-3-----x-x-x--3--3--3-----5-----|
 A- |----3-3-3-----x-x-x--1--1--1-----3-----3-3-3-----|
 E- |----1-1-1-----x-x-x-----1-1-1-----|

ha! We never make any sense,

E- |-----|
 B- |-----x-x-x-x-x-x-----|

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G- |-----3--3-----3--5-----x-x-x-x-x-x-----|
D- |-----3--3-----3--5-----3-3-3-----x-x-x-x-x-x-----|
A- |-----3--5p3-----1--1-----1--3-----3-3-3-----x-x-x-x-x-x-----|
E- |--1-1--3/5-----5-----1-1-1-----x-x-x-x-x-x-----|

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but hell, that never mattered. (Go to Pre-chorus two)

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E- |-----|
B- |-----|
G- |----3--3-----3-----5-----3--3--3--3--|
D- |----3--3-----3-----5-----3-3-3-----3--3--3--3--|
A- |----1--1-----1-----3-----3-3-3-----3--5p3-----1--1--1--1--|
E- |-----1-1-1--1-1--3/5-----5-----|

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End

Guitars one and two

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E- |-----|
B- |-----|
G- |-----|
D- |-----3~~~-----3~~~-----3~~~|
A- |--3h5--5--3--5-----3h5--5--3--5-----3h5--5--3--5-----|
E- |-----|

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Guitar three

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E- |-----|
B- |-----|
G- |-----|
D- |-----|
A- |-----5~~~-----5~~~-----5~~~|
E- |--5h6--6--5--6-----5h6--6--5--6-----|

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Continue above rhythm figure

We re the Department of Youth. You re new Department of Youth.
 We re the Department of Youth. You re new Department of Youth.

Guitar one

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E- |-----|
B- |--3--5----|
G- |--3--5----|
D- |--3--5----|
A- |--1--3----|
E- |-----|

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Guitar two

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E- |--6--8----|
B- |--6--8----|
G- |--7--9----|
D- |--8--10----|
A- |-----|

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E- |-----|