

Gentlemens Pact Smoke Signals

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Conor Oberst - Gentleman s Pact (also known as Smoke Signals)

Standard Tuning

C **Am**
I was lost for a while in the mirrored hallway of a high-rise hotel
F **G**
Umbrella drink in my hand, sitting there
C **Am**
Saw ten thousand meâ€™s with cocaine teeth and the chattering mouths
F
Thought about home thought about death
G
Thought about moving south
C
Rodeo wind blew in now the candles out
Am
And everyoneâ€™s scared
F
Call my broker sell everything
G
I want to be prepared
C
Heard the cavalry cry my girl for the night when
Am
I entered her
F
Sounds so fake, always feels fake finishes and
G
then it feels worst

F
But any hallway has a camera
F **C** (hammer on D string 2nd fret)
Every hallway has a camera donâ€™t you know?
F
They never let you open the window
F **C** (hammer on D string 2nd fret)
They never let you open the window

G7
Smoke signals of thought
C **C/B** **Am**
White ribbons of loss
Fm **G** **C** (hammer on D string 2nd fret)
High above the tree line They cry out

I froze up for a second on the pyramid side of the Las Vegas strip
My brother hunched over in the bushes, getting sick
Security knew he took one look and through us out, Life's not fair
Thought I'd die young with my true love
Thought I'd be a millionaire

In a mechanical world
A loud sound you never heard is always there
Radio's trailing in the desert
Keep driving until you disappear

We made a gentleman's pact
We're not stopping no looking back,
Lace those shoes
Take the first step, take the next step
That a boy! It's never too soon

All that you keep is the journey
All that you keep are the spaces in-between
It's not the first start of the ending
All that you keep is the journey

Smoke rings around your thoughts
Blue ribbons at dawn
High above the tree line
We pass out

Smoke signals of thought
White ribbons of loss
High above the tree line
They cry out