

**Big Boys**

**Elvis Costello**

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Big Boys (demo)

**E**

I am starting to function  
In the usual way  
Everything is so provocative  
Very very, temporary

**E**

I shall walk (I shall walk)  
Out of this place (out of this place)  
I shall walk

**A**

Out on you  
Cause you go silly  
If she s willing

**B A**

**E**

Trying so hard to be like the big boys

**G**

So you take her to the pictures

**Em**

Trying to become a fixture

**G**

Inch by inch trying to reach her

**Em**

All the way through the second feature

**C**

**D**

Worrying about your physical fitness

**C**

**D**

**A**

**E**

Tell me how you got this sickness, Oh ohhhh..

**E**

I was caught in the suction  
By a face like a truncheon  
I was down upon one knee  
Stroking her vanity

**E**

I was stuck on a hammerhead  
I came alive and left for dead  
As my face returned to red  
Choking on my pride and pity

**E**

We can talk (we can talk)  
Until your face is blue ( til your face is blue)

**A**

We can talk but she ll get to you  
After you ve been loved and hated  
By the ones you ve watched and waited  
Found that they were overrated

**B**

**E**

**A**

She ll be the one - when the party s over

**B**

**E**

**A**

She ll be the one - when the girls have gone home

**B**

**E**

**A**

She ll be the one - that you ll wish you d held onto

**B**

**E**

**A**

She ll be the one - but it s too late for you to

**B**

**E**

**A**

She ll be the one - who knows all your history

**B**

**E**

She ll be the one -

**A**

So you can cross her off your list

**B A**

And you try so hard

**B A**

And you try so hard

**B A**

And you try so hard

**E**

To be like the big boys