

Poor Napoleon  
Elvis Costello

C C/B C C/B

C Em/B Gm/Bb  
I can't lie on this bed anymore it burns my skin  
F/A Fm/Ab  
You can take the truthful things you've said to me  
D/F# F G  
And fit them on the head of a pin  
C F Dm G

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C Em/B Gm/Bb  
You always look so disappointed when I take my stockings off  
F/A Fm/Ab  
Don't you know the facts of life boy  
D/F# F  
Don't you know what these things cost?  
C Em/B Gm/Bb  
She was selling stolen kisses to travelling salesmen and minstrel singers  
F/A Fm/Ab  
You put a penny in the slot  
D/F# F G  
She called you her magic fingers

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E E/G#  
I bet she isn't all that's advertised  
Am C  
I bet that isn't all she fakes  
D Eb  
Just like that place where they take your spine  
F Eb D  
And turn it into soapfla---akes

C C/B C C/B  
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C Em/B Gm/Bb  
Bare wires from the socket to the bed where you embraced that girl  
F/A Fm/Ab D/F# F  
Did you ever think there's far too many people in the world?  
C Em/B Gm/Bb  
One day they'll probably make a movie out of all of this

**F/A**                      **Fm/Ab**                      **D/F#**                      **F**                      **G**  
There won't even have to be a murder just a slow dissolving kiss

**C**                      **F Dm G**  
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**C**                      **F**                      **Dm**                      **G**  
So good night little schoolboy, you'd better learn some self control  
**C**                      **F**                      **Dm**                      **G**                      **C F Dm G**  
Did you mess up your hairstyle, pour scorn in your begging bo---owl

**C**  
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