

Oh Beautiful Town

IAMX

VERSE 1

G

I grew up blind
just like everyone s child
in the warmth of milk and deceit
smothered by love and the chemical dust
there was never enough to believe

BRIDGE:

Em

They chewed me up

D9

they spat me out

G

of their system and onto their street

G

F

and the rest of my life was spent to forget

D9

C

G

all the greatness that could never be

CHORUS:

Em

Oh beautiful town

C

G

I remember you blacker than the night

Em

the whores and the sick mouths

C

G

the bad taste and the neon lights

Em

Oh beautiful town,

C **G**
where are you now with your binge insecurities?

Em **C**
I shot you down beautiful town

F
because you tear your children

G
into pieces

VERSE 2

G
Absence twisted with fondness
is the horror I couldn't forget
programmed into great art
of family, lies and debts

BRIDGE 2:

Em **D9**
too much expectation

G
followed by hope and then hate in the mess

G **F**
and the rest of my life was a glorious test

D9 **C** **G**
of my will and my selfish neglect

CHORUS:

Em
Oh beautiful town

C **G**
I remember you blacker than the night

Em
the whores and the sick mouths

C **G**
the bad taste and the neon lights

Em
Oh beautiful town,

C **G**
where are you now with your binge insecurities?

Em **C**
I shot you down beautiful town

F
because you tear your children

G
into pieces

VERSE 3:

G
On the floor boards under insolent feet
I mapped the hopscotch to my parents retreat
with a lavender bag in my hand
and words of desperation on my tongue

BRIDGE 3:

Em **D9** **G**
goodnight father, goodnight mother

F **D9** **C** **G**
Are you still awake?