

Punk Is Dead
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[chorus]

C **Am**
Punk is dead, punk is dead,
F **C**
Yes that s right, punk is dead,
C **Am**
Punk is dead, punk is dead,
F **C**
It s just another cheap product for the consumers head,

C **Am**
Bubblemum rock on plastic transistors,
F **C**
Schoolboy sedition backed by big time promoters,
C **Am**
CBS promoted the Clash,
F **C**
but not for revolution, just for cash.
C **Am**
Punk became a fashion just like hippie used to be,
F **C**
and it ain t got a thing to do with you or me

C **Am**
Movements are systems and systems kill,
F **C**
Movements are expressions of the public will.
C **Am**
Punk became a movement cause they all felt lost,
F **C**
but the leaders sold out and now we all pay the cost.

[repeat chorus]

C **Am**
Punk narcissism was a social napalm,
F **C**
Rock star punk bands started doing real harm,
C **Am**
Preaching revolution, anarchy and change,
F **C**
As they sucked from the system that had given them their name.

C **Am**
Well I m tired of staring through shit stained glass,
F **C**

I m tired of staring up a superstar s ass,
C Am
I ve got an ass and a heart and a name,
F C
and I m just waiting for my fifteen minutes fame.

C Am
And me, yes me, do I want to burn?
F C
Is there really something that I can learn?
C Am
Do I need a business man to promote my angle?
F C
Can I resist the carrots fame and fortune dangle
C Am
I see the velvet zippies in their bondage gear,
F C
The social elite with safety pins in their ear,
C Am
I watch and understand that it don t mean a thing,
F C
The scorpions attack, but the systems stole the sting

[repeat chorus]

C,Am,F,C 2x