

**Giving Up The Gun**  
**Vampire Weekend**

(intro) **A F#m E D**

(chorus )

**A F#m**  
Your sword s grown old and rusty  
**E D**  
Burnt beneath the rising sun  
**A F#m**  
It s locked up like a trophy  
**E D**  
Forgetting all the things it s done

And though it s been a long time  
You re right back where you started from  
I see it in your eyes  
That now you re giving up the gun

(verse )

**A**  
When I was 17  
**F#m**  
I had wrists like steel  
**E D**  
And I felt complete

And now my body fades  
Behind a brass charade  
And I m obsolete

But if the chance remained  
To see those better days  
I d cut the cannons down

My ears are blown to bits  
From all the rifle hits  
But I still crave that sound

(chorus )

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**A**

I heard you play guitar

**F#m**

Down at a seedy bar

**E**

**D**

Where skinheads used to fight

Your Tokugawa smile  
And your garbage style  
Used to save the night

You felt the coming wave  
Told me we d all be brave  
You said you wouldn t flinch

But in the years that passed  
Since I saw you last  
You haven t moved an inch

(chorus )

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(bridge 7x)

**A**

**F#m**

I see you shine in your way

**E**

**D**

Go on, go on, go on

(chorus )

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**F#m**

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