

## **Everything is Love and Death Lyrics and Credits**

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### **First Time**

The first time that I saw you  
I didn't know you'd turn my life upside down  
'Cause the first time that I met you  
I still had my feet firmly planted on the ground

You got me  
You got me started dreaming  
Now I got my head up in the clouds

I like you  
I think I really like you  
But I don't wanna say it out loud

For the first time in a long time  
I didn't wake up with one of your songs in my head  
This time for the first time in a while  
I woke up with this one in my head instead

Even a good dream is a bad dream  
'Cause I'm trying to keep my mind off of you

I miss you  
But I don't wanna miss you  
I wanna be right there by your side  
I miss you  
But I don't wanna miss you  
I wanna get you right out of my mind

### **Lullaby**

Last night  
You died a little  
Died a little inside  
You found out  
This doesn't end well  
There is no making this right  
Saltpeter makes the world come alive  
And there's a fire burning in your own mind's eye  
And you're a waiting cannon on the edge of a fight  
Put the powder in and tamp it down and set it alight

You just wanna make it out alive

No gods and no heroes  
But I'll sing ya another lullaby  
Where angels start falling  
From the sky

Shoot first and bring 'em back to life  
Now I know that we can never die

The world turns  
Another murder  
Another innocent dies  
Then Abiyoyo blocks out the sun you're trapped by  
Baba Yaga inside of her chicken leg hut

Anansi tricks you with his clever mind  
But nothing matters cause the end is nigh  
And you're still thinking that we'll never die

No gods and no heroes  
But I'll sing ya'nother lullaby  
Where angels start falling  
From the sky

Scream out til your lungs burst  
And the tears start streaming out your eyes  
Your knees to the ground and

Face to the sky

### **Cut String**

My head on your shoulder your hand in my  
hair Everything quiet in the cold night air  
This moment is calm this moment is bliss  
Hard to imagine something better than  
this

And now I'm sick over  
The feelings that got away  
And I'm still thinking 'bout you every single day

I'm thinking of you

Now I wonder if I should have kissed you  
Now I'm a balloon with a cut string  
And I wonder if you wanted to kiss me  
And what could have happened if you did

### **Happy New Year**

Look out your window and you'll see nothing at all Look  
out your window and you'll see summer turn to fall  
Look out your window and you'll see the one you love  
Look out your window and you'll see none of the above

And if you come around  
You won't find me  
I'm not turning 'round  
I won't look behind me

The sun is falling there is nothing left to worry about The  
snow is falling there is nothing left to worry about And  
when it's raining there is nothing left to worry about No  
more complaining there is nothing left to worry about

And if you come around  
You won't find me  
I'm not turning 'round  
I won't look behind me  
If you look far enough  
You might see me  
Wishing you a happy new year

And if you come around  
You won't find me  
I'm not turning 'round  
I won't look behind me

If you look hard enough  
You might see me  
Wishing you a happy new year

I'm gone away for good  
I'm gone away but not for good  
I'm gone away maybe for good  
I'm gone away maybe for good  
And maybe you should

### **Get Out**

Done doing things just halfway  
And I don't care what you think anyway  
You never had my best interests in mind  
Filling my head with falsities and lies

Get up get up get out tonight  
I'm not going down without a fight

I wanna be here not stuck in my head  
Imagining all the things I never said  
How do I find my way back to myself  
I always feel like I'm somebody else

Get up get up get out tonight  
Don't care what you think I know I'm right  
The next time that I see you it's on sight  
Cause I'm not going down without a fight

### **Home for the Weekend**

I'm going home for the weekend  
If you're around I'd love to see ya  
It's been too long since we were together  
So let me know

I'm coming home for the weekend  
If you're around I'll come out to meet ya  
We could get coffee or walk in the park  
We can do whatever you want

### **Be Here**

The ground shivers and your eyes are bright  
I feel a spark turn into a light  
And I could be here with you

Time stops until we see daylight  
We didn't notice we'd been up all night

Yes I could be here with you

I could be here, I could be here with you

I feel a spark turn to a blaze  
Don't wanna let this feeling get away  
I could be here with you

Your presence seems to chase away the grays  
The worlds in color I see clear as day  
That I should be here with you

I could be here, I could be here with you  
(I, I didn't mean, to fall in love with you, fall in love with you)

### **All the Same**

You build a whole world with the things that you say  
The structures held up by the vows you're gonna break  
Now this old house is gonna crumble back down into the sea  
And when it does, won't let it take me

You let me in and then you put up a wall  
I didn't know I should be bracing for a fall  
Laid down like the ten of swords body pinned down to the  
floor Immovable, forevermore

Do you believe the things you say that you'll do  
When you say them do they feel true to you  
If everything is love and death  
Then even at my dying breath  
I will remember, I won't forget

The last sin eater passed on long ago  
So now where is left for your sins to go  
You'll have to take them to your grave  
And pray that you'll be saved  
Before, the tidal wave

Before the wave

It's all the same  
The water flowing through the aqueduct won't  
cleanse Your shame

Don't say my name  
Don't let it echo through the empty promises  
You make

The trust melts away

Like the polar ice, will one day  
And no violins will even play

It's all the same  
The water flowing through the aqueduct won't  
cleanse Your shame

So don't call my name  
Don't let it echo though the empty promises  
You make

Turn to ash  
Turn to dust  
Split the vein and let it run

Sleep it off  
Sleep it off forever  
In the brilliant sun

### **Drain the Well**

Drop the bucket in and drain the well  
You can tell me anything and I won't tell  
'Cause you mean so much to me  
Let your burdens free

You've got your demons and you tried to hold them tight  
But they'll just struggle free so let them see the light  
And ask them who do you think you are  
Just who do you think you are

### **Drift Away**

On a sinking ship drifting with the tide  
No more hope left, have you ever felt more alive Than  
this moment before you know you are gonna die

Drift away, drift away, sail away  
Drift away, float away, sail away

Leap from a sinking ship to a crumbling  
pier Only thing left to do is to give into the  
fear

Sail away, sail away, run away  
Sail away, run away, run away

Stay away run away, run away  
Run away, they take your soul anyway

## **Won't Someone**

Won't someone  
Someone come and take me home  
Don't know where that is  
But I'm ready to go

Been searching  
For a place to call my own  
But nowhere  
And no one seems to feel like home

Won't someone  
Someone come and take me home  
My whole world feels  
Like it's in monochrome

I know there's somewhere  
Where the flowers still grow  
Water flowing down to the ocean below

Won't someone  
Dig me out from below  
I left my heart to rot in the catacombs  
Now I say "I love you" and i'm broken