

I WISH I COULD HAVE SKIPPED TODAY

I wish I could have skipped today
Leave it blank and throw away
Just an empty thought on a hopeless day
I try to see the beauty

I couldn't understand though I should've known
That easy comes and easy goes
But my world is running out of faith
I wish I could have skipped today

Just moving on and run away
Towards the sun, just run

I wish I could have skipped today
Tomorrow I'll be on my way
I'll hold my head up high and stand up straight
But not, no not today

DON'T BE AFRAID

Don't ever be afraid
I'm here to keep you safe
There's nothing to fear, no heights, no bears
Cause I am here

Don't ever be afraid
I'll be around and I'm here to stay
I'll hold you in my arms and keep you safe from harm
My little charm

I'll fight the monsters that hide under your bed
I'll tame the storm, I'll hunt for rats
I'll do my best to interfere your dreams
So you'll never know what a nightmare is

Don't you ever be afraid
I'm here to keep you safe
No ghosts, no elevators, no frogs, no alligators
No heights, no rain, no dark
No rats, black cats or barking dogs
No fears, no more fears cause I am here

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LIKE SONGS LIKE MOONS

SATELLITE

Hear this heavy rain fall
Pouring out of sadness
That I mingled into madness
You're hardly aware
That I am caught up
In circles all around you
Each day thing I do
You never seem to care

I'm spinning, spacing, stumbling
My heart flips
Gravity falls and the whole world flips
I'm constantly circling way up high
I'm a satellite

While I'm spinning 'round
I'm not winning your attention
You never even mentioned me
Flying 'round the moon
Are you blind to see?
Everything shatters
It doesn't seem to matter
If the moon turns green

Leave me flying high
'Til I'm falling out of heaven
And suddenly you notice
A satellite gone by...

RISE WITH THE SUN

My heart is reckless now
It's all over the place, all over the night
It don't need much reminding now, take whatever
you want, whatever you like
Tomorrow is a new day, I'll rise with the sun

I'm hanging on a string, pull me up
Drop me down, swing me around
In spite of the dizziness, I can bend
I can bow, I couldn't care less
Tomorrow is a new day, I'll rise with the sun

I am riding so high in this new state of mind
Lately my eyes see a different light
I feel at ease and that's all I need
I dream and I dare, I'm awake, I'm aware
This whole affair is a breath of fresh air

My heart is reckless now
It's as good as it gets, it's light at its best
No one can hold it down
It's beating bright in my chest
I'm free at last
Tomorrow I will rise with the sun

YOU LIGHT UP MY LIFE

You light up like the fireflies in Central Park
You blossom like the tulips in my parent's yard
You sparkle like sunlight on the sea
You keep astounding me

I wake up to the sound of your voice
You linger like you never want to do so
Each time when I try to bring you down
You simply tell me not to fool around

How we love
How we love
Way up high there's nothing else above
How we love
You and me
Living life, we make it easy
You light up my life

You're easy like breakfast at noon
With tea and toast and my favorite Beatles tune
You're thrilling like New York City
It keeps astounding me

EARLY IN THE MORNING

Look at me floating and hovering on clouds
I'm greeting the day with blossom all around
What a perfect thing when the robin starts to sing

Look at me stumbling and trying to behave
With stars in my eyes, a smile upon my face
What a perfect thing the awakening of spring

Drifting on a cloud
I'm flying up, I'm falling down
I'm on your cloud
But heaven's not the place to be
With love's illusions running free
I'm easily deceived and fooled by your eyes

Early in the morning
Blinded by the dawn
Oh how I want you near
I can not help it dear

Here in my confusion
You're a sweet illusion
Oh how I want you near
Oh how I want you near

LIKE NEVER BEFORE

I like all that you do, like every move
The things you say
Seems like I'm caught up
In circles all around
I can't even find a way
to calm down and rest

Well since I met you
I've been flying high up in the sky
Seems like my heart's trying out it's wings
Suddenly out of nowhere
I got stuck in this weirdy web you caught me in

You make me wanna stay, settle down
I've been trying other people
But I stuck with you
Baby you're the promised kiss of springtime
You know how I love spring time...

It seems like I'm losing myself
Sighing sighs and holding hands
is all I wanna do
Now tell me, is it true?
Will you make my life better
than what it was before?

You'll leave me wanting more
Honey I'm sure I'm gonna love
The things you care like never before

Inspired by Gillian Anderson solo on "All The Things You Are" (1963)

LET GO

Trouble in mind, I'm blue,
But I won't be blue always
Cause the sun's gonna shine
in my backyard someday
Trouble in mind, I'm blue,
But I won't be blue no more
Cause the sun's gonna shine
and I'm letting go...

I'm just here waiting for the grass to grow
I'm letting go of all my troubles
I don't care 'bout wind, ice, rain or snow
Because I'm letting go...

I'm just here making my life comfortable
I'm riding high twenty-four hours a day
Now I see the world is big and beautiful
So I'm letting go...

I've been down, I've been lost
I've been turned and I've been tossed
I've been broke, so afraid
I'm gonna throw all my troubles away

Now I see the world is big and beautiful
So I'm letting go...

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