

Elvis Costello, Harry Worth

I met them first on their wedding night
Faces were flushed by promises plighted
We passed in the hall and I met them well
But as their carriage arrived, I found that I couldn't quite tell them

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It's not very long that you spend on this earth
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He walked on the wet sands of summertime
Rain beat the window in drummertime
He was cruel with his humour
She was quick with her tongue
But though a year had passed
The honeymoon didn't last
Somehow they didn't seem young

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They're on their holiday
But they still find a reason to fight
Now matter how long they say
Can't put the rest of the year right

Five had passed when I happened along
He said, Do you hear that noise? Well, that once was our song
I looked in her eyes and saw barely a spark
He laughed too loud and then drank until dark

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