

# Joe Jackson, The Old Songs

There goes another one  
Another happy couple on the road to emptiness  
I think of my father and mother  
Can they imagine how two people can get in this mess  
But the old songs say - love's forever  
And the old songs never say die  
But a song can't keep us together  
How can that beautiful song be a lie  
Me I blame the old songs  
Filling hearts with rebellion and romance  
Our book of revelations  
And all we had to do was dance  
Play us another one  
Play us the hopes and dreams of twenty years ago  
They're all over the bloody radio  
It's like they're telling us there's nowhere left to go  
And the old songs say - "be my baby"  
And the old songs say - "she loves you"  
All the songs we'll sing come what may be  
I like those songs  
But I'd like something new  
Me I blame the old songs  
Protect us all against a change of course  
All our great expectations  
Turn to alimony and remorse