

# Mary J. Blige, Reflections (I Remember)

[Intro:]

I Remember (x7)

[Verse 1:]

Back before the record deal

and the cars and the cribs and the way that things took off

I was signin' at Lucy's on 1-25th just tryin' my best to get on back when me and Puff and B.I.G. was

I was young and tough and fresh in love and it was all a dream

Signin' a contract, no guiding light, just hopin' I

I can get out the projects

And get my family right 'cause they were my life

In Red Zones, in Bentley's you can catch me, tryna do me

I was jaded on the block, I coulda faded on the block

But I made it off the block and I

[Chorus:]

I remember, back when I didn't know which way to live

I remember, back when pain was all I had to give

The reflections of my life I see the lessons that I've learned

And now I know, heartbreak don't exist when it's been torn  
apart by love

[Verse 2:]

I use to throw a fit I use to shed a doubt

And blame it on a man but that was Mary than

And this is Mary now, you gotta understand

It's about how we respect ourselves

And the men have no control of our self-esteem

And when we see that then we can let go, oh

[Chorus:]

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[Bridge:]

Now I made some mistakes, I lost some friends along the way

But I don't carry it because it made me a better chick

It's my life and I know that there's more for me to see

(So much more)

I may not be what I'm suppose to

But I can tell you right now, I ain't what I use to be

(I remember)

I remember when I didn't know which way to live

(I remember)

I remember when pain was all I had to give

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apart by love

(I remember)

I remember, I remember

(I remember)

I remember, I remember

The reflections of my life, I see the lessons that I've learned

And now I know, heartbreak don't exist

When it's been torn apart by love, by love

(I remember)

Don't exist no more

(I remember)

But I remember, I remember

(I remember)

I remember, I remember

(I remember)

I remember

I remember