

Belle And Sebastian, When the Cynics Stare Back

There's somebody that I want you to know
She's a sweet, sweet friend of mine
If she has a fault, she will go overboard
When there's a man around, she flirts like a child
Darling, take a hint once and for all
Stay away from them
'Cause everything you say
Just seems to them so strange
They cross the street whenever they see you come
When the cynics stare back from the wall
It's no fun at all

Honey, even when you feel flat and broken
You got to trust to a happy mind
You could put your faith in me
If you've got eyes to see
And you got arms that wait for something to hold
When the cynics stare back from the wall
It always feels cold

When I saw you in the café today
Explain it all away to me
Everyone we know, every girl and boy
Each one is a misery
So look me straight in the eye and tell me you're alright
'Cause I want to know the truth
Nothing else will do
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If you keep making the same mistakes over
You're like a puppy with a broken leg
Hey, and if it goes okay, you've got me to blame
For being so cynical, and never the boy
You used to laugh at till you cried on your bed
At all the stupid things I said
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I know it's time to change
I was so confused by the promises
And the hardest thing is to walk
Towards the things you need
When the things you want
Are like vision for the blind

And I know you don't believe in a single thing
That you can't touch, smell, or feel
Hey, it's been a week of woe
Which way you gonna go?
When your desire has but all run aground
'Cause when the cynics stare back from the wall
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