

# 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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When the cynics stare back from the wall  
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  
You'd better not fall  
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