Elvis Costello, 13 Steps Lead Down

When nobody knows she puts on secret clothes And lies in the meadow with her hands tied behind her back I won't refuse if you know how to use it Just stop playing that ugly drug music

[Chorus:]
Thirteen steps lead down
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There's commoners and kings
And everyone's a prisoner of
Paper and glue
And a decent pair of scissors
So tonight I'm drinking to your health
Because I just can't stand myself

Thirteen steps lead down [4x]

She stands and fails
On fashion fingernails
Her lovers have her walking 'round
On instruments of torture
And one of them is poisonous
The other is a thief they say
So what one could give to her
The other cannot take away

When nobody knows she puts on secret clothes And lies in her splendour for a picture opportunity Cover up that bruise, put on patent leather shoes Just stop playing that bad mood music

[Chorus]

Thirteen steps lead down [4x]