Elvis Costello, Everybody's Crying Mercy

I can't believe the things I've seen I wonder bout some things I've heard Everybody's crying mercy When they don't know the meaning of the word A bad enough situation Is sure enough getting worse Everybody's crying justice Just as long as there's business first Toe to toe Touch and go Give a cheer Get your souvenier

People running round in circles Don't know what they're headed for Everybody's crying peace on Earth Just as soon as we win this war

Straight ahead Knock em dead Pack your kid Choose your hypocrite

Well you don't have to go to off broadway To see something played absurd Everybody's crying mercy When they don't know the meaning of the word

Nobody knows the meaning of the word When they don't know the meaning of the word Nobody knows the meaning of the word Nobody knows the meaning of the word