John Cale, Damn Life

Damn life Damn life What's it worth? Damn life Getting on without This city It's just self-pity Damn life You're just not worth it You're just not worth the pain They'll eat you alive They'll drink the sweat from your brow Eating the salt of the earth you'll never know Oh no, respect Respect What's respect? Cause and effect Self respect She was the one got left behind She was the one got lost Never took from anybody Self-sufficient at any cost No, nothing can break this heart of mine It stands invincible all the time You always get what you left behind Seek and you shall find Seek and you shall find Damn life So she's still wandering her heart away Doesn't even know if it's night or day And even if someone helped her up She'd stand little hope Of recognizing those friends she had And in many, many ways Those friends were glad