

# Michelle Shocked, The Hard Way

If I was smart I would take your advice  
But I am not and so I have to think twice  
Never a lesson have I learned  
Without first being burned

Oh, the troubles I've known!  
I seem to learn everything the hard way  
I'm not old enough to be on my own  
But I'm much too old to stay

I was about to tell you the truth  
All the mistakes of my wasted youth  
And why I didn't make it home on time  
But you would have thought  
I was only lying

I always believed I ran away  
But now I know I was told to go  
Maybe it's worked out better this way  
What could you say I didn't already know?