Patti Smith, Don't Say Nothing

Lower the thing the skin of a cat Skin it to the left just laying there No other thing is luck like that And you set it said it said nothing

Went to the party very discouraged I watched the litter pile like a wall I looked at the river just couldn't forgive it It was ladened with all kinds of shit Still I admit that I didn't say nothing I turned my back walked away Got to face the fact that I didn't say nothing

Everyone was dancing I stood over in the corner I was listening they were saying this and saying that And putting this one down but nothing was delivered Nothing good was coming I just stood there I couldn't believe it but I didn't say nothing I walked the floor then I looked away

Got to face the fact that I didn't say nothing

How long how long will we make do Maybe it's time to break on through Gonna lift my skirts gonna straighten up Gonna get well I'm gonna do something Gonna face the fact gonna give it back And I'm gonna do something won't hold my tongue Won't hold the thought won't hold the card Well I'm gonna do something Oh my brain I got to complain You can refrain but I'm gonna do something How long how long will we make do Maybe it's time to break on through

Out in the desert I saw that old cat skinned I saw it floating in the river I saw and no one seemed to mind They sat there they sat there watching the sun I saw it float away and I watched the buildings crumble Like dust in the hand and we watched the sun Spread its wings and fly away And in the mountains a cry echoes Don't say nothing Don't say nothing no Don't say nothing no