

# Steppenwolf, For Ladies Only

What you say to drive that girl away  
When she's the one and only?  
Who's the one that you been leanin' on  
Ev'ry time that you were down and lonely?  
How many times did you say to yourself that woman is the devil's tool?  
Somehow you knew that you blew it again and didn't wanna look like a  
ravin fool  
But when you need affection  
You go to her with a smilin' face  
But now she's got a strange reaction

For ladies only  
Tired of talkin' 'till somebody hears  
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Half the world has been built upon their tears

If you've been contemplatin' just what you're doin' wrong  
Then you will be a witness to the rumble goin' on  
You fight it hard to tell apart the truth from the jive  
They've got a right to say it wrong if freedom's to survive  
Now if you don't believe your own reflection  
Just take a look at all your smooth talkin' friends  
I'm sure you'll make the right connection

## Chorus

I'll give you my donation to help the cause along  
I'll make my contribution 'till the fight has been won  
But when my bedroom closes one thing remains  
Man, woman, hog or dog, I'm callin' the plays  
And if you find the need to raise objections  
Don't talk to me 'bout your wasted time  
You know you made your own selections

## Repeat Chorus

If I should go astray and say "I lost my way" nobody would know me  
But if I don't believe I can and still say "Hear my plan";  
Somebody would follow just because it's free

We're all Hippos rollin' down the river  
Sometimes we can't touch the ground  
Like Hippos slidin' in the water  
Somehow we're stompin' around

If you should go astray and say "I lost my way" nobody will know you  
But if you don't believe you can and still say "I'm your man";  
Somebody will follow just because it's free

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Now you can see me lyin' down in my swamp  
Any time I feel disgusted  
You'll see me do the hippo stomp

You stop and watch me while you're out on your midnite romp  
And I can feel the silent question  
What the heck is the Hippo Stomp?

Hey! Hey! You should try it when you're feelin' blue  
Let me answer you and let me tell ya true

Just how I feel when I'm down  
Sometimes I wonder  
You'll see me stumblin' around  
But you just point and stare  
Come on let me hear ya  
Somewhere there's a voice down inside  
And when you find it let it teach you how to ask the question "why";  
Just because we live together  
We don't have to like each other  
So please don't fall asleep on me again  
Nobody, nobody, nobody knows for sure  
You just might never wake up from the dream  
Hey! Speak up let me hear ya  
Let me show you 'round the reservation  
I know my way around these parts  
I've lived here long enough  
Now you can have a taste, an indication  
Of things and times to come  
Early in the morning, late at night  
Somebody seems to know just how this thing work's right  
'Cause every time I come around the corner somebody's looking out my  
door  
He's been snoopin' like a hound  
I'll grab his neck and shake him on down

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