## The Cat Empire, How To Explain

When a room becomes an altar And what beast that must exist It flies with music from our lips And steals a kiss and blows it Out into the mist Where castles stand on cliffs And cobbled streets they wind and drift And moods are made and set but shift This place where skies are low And birds are big

We went to sleep in day And woke again the same day We have learned to cheat the time And find the hours That the clocks cannot define As I looked up from that stage I felt the thing that had been made And how it raged

How to explain? Something makes me howl And shiver to the core Oh outside if it was raining Then inside there'd be a storm We've got a pair of hands for climbing And a pair of knees to spring And a pair of balls for strength And a pair of lungs to sing And these nimble chords That say: music is the language of us all

To write these songs is to be written Ah the chorus always knows What is in store And what is more the thing that sings us Is the thing that makes us roar I felt that beast 'kisso my neck We clapped our hands And heard them spread There was a trumpet and a call A pack of Spaniards screamed for more Music is the language of us all Music is the language of us all Music is the language of us all Music is the language of us all

I find it hard to speak emotional Cos these things are the things that Can't be said And when it's struck it strikes The memory from our heads Once I wrote two plays To be immortal for a night And despite the unknown hours Something happens When the night turns out the lights Then we fade and yawn To music that's the language of us all