The Style Council, With Everything To Lose

From the playground to the wasteground Hope ends at 17 -Sweeping floors and filling shelves Forced into government schemes -11 years spent to dig out ditches, Forget your schoolday dreams -Guarantees and lie-filled speeches, But nothings what it seems -Qualified and patronised and with everything to lose. No choice or chance for the future The rich enjoy less tax -Dress the girls in pretty pink The shit goes to the blacks A generation's heart torn out And covered up the facts The only thing they'll understand Is a wall against their backs The only hope now left for those - with everything to lose.

In desperation empty eyes, Signed up and thrown away -There's drugs replacing dignity, The short sharp shock repaid -There'll be no money if you dare to question Working the Tory way -The truth is up there carved in stone, Where 21 dead now lay -A family's loss for a few pounds saved -With everything to lose.