

# Whipping Boy, When We Were Young

When we were young nobody died  
And nobody got older  
The toughest kid in the street  
Could always be bought over  
And the first time that you loved  
You had all your life to give  
At least that's what you said  
The first time you got drunk  
You drank pernod and dry cider  
Smashed a window in as the police came round the corner  
You didn't have no time to run  
And your dad stood up for you  
As the judge said you're a fool

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Robbing cars, bars and pubs, rubber johnnies, poems  
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The first time that you stole  
You stole rubber lips and tenners  
Bought a radio then ran away for ever  
Never felt so good, never felt so good with you  
When we were young we had no fear  
Of love nor sex nor warnings  
Everyone was hanging out, everyone was sorted  
When we were young nobody knew  
Who you were or what you'd do  
Nobody had a past that catches up on you

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With a start he was awoken  
From the middle of a dream  
He's making movies in his head  
That never will be seen  
He's holding Oscars in his hands  
And kissing beauty queens  
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