I Used To Be An Animal

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Once upon a time there were five young guys Hanging in and out of Newcastle Playing Rhythm and Blues had nothing to lose They didn't need no tin-pan hassle

Over Reeperbahn where the beat was born Shocking the heart of the nation A sign of the times, a new search of life Start of a new rock generation

From day one to kingdom come I'd do it all again

I used to be an animal
I used to be an animal
I used to be an animal
But I'm alright now
Alright now, girl, alright

Just twenty years ago, we were children of war But we danced to the Bo Diddley beat There was rockers and mods, didn't take it too hard We had blue suede shoes on our feet

A revolution in France and James Brown's dance A new world coming our way We'd talk that talk in the streets of New York And never looked back to this day

From day one to the risin' sun I'll do it all again

I used to be an animal (He used to be an animal) I used to be an animal (He used to be an animal) I used to be an animal (He used to be an animal) But I'm all right now

Used to be an animal
(He used to be an animal)
Used to be an animal
(He used to be an animal)
Used to be an animal
(He used to be an animal)
Now, all right, all right, all right
Yeah, yeah, all right

We were flippin' and trippin' And rockin' and rollin' and generally havin' a ball For the price of a drink there was no time To think about the morality of it all

There was freaks and queens and love-ins and has beens Whisky-a-gogos and all night flamingos
A psychedelic explosion in slow motion

Dr Strangelove's bomb

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