She asked me how love gets along with me all by myself. Wonders how I keep from getting dust upon that shelf. She wanted to know how a man like me ends up alone, anyway. Was I breakin' all the rules of love and the games that people play.

I said not too many hangin' round of all the ones I meet. In time they always find that I'm on the bitter side of sweet.

She huddled on the gate on my block where I always catch my bus

An' I hoped it wouldn't stop today, there'd just be the two of us.

But it showed up like it always does, about twenty minutes late

I told her it'd right along but she said she couldn't wait. She didn't need any assistance in putting some distance, between us on that empty street.

She was of a mind, in record time that I'm on the bitter side of sweet.

That I act this was is really no my fault. It just means all the sweet things I got to say, Come along with a grain of salt.

It's no wonder I'm not scoring points, I'm always out of bounds .

If any wise willed words convince the point, I'm foolish by the pound.

And a fool can see no one believes what's rollin' off my tongue

And I've never seen a recipe for sweet talkin' anyone.

I could have written a book on the lessons I took in the agony of defeat.

And showed you all the signs between the lines on the bitter si de of sweet.