

Read 'Em 'N' Weep

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On a warm summer day, at the hour of my youth
I walked the four miles to your door
You wore a straw hat, high heels to match
And the whitest cotton dress I ever saw

When I tried to hold you, you turned away
You don't have to tell me, it's all over your face
I can see the writing on the wall
And there's a distance in your eyes that says it all

Read it and weep, I can't get no sleep
'Cause I know you won't change your mind tomorrow
I'm sinking under and I don't wanna lose you
This emptiness is more than I can handle

You gave me no reason but you gave me a rhyme
I put the words to music and I was out of my mind
All I've got's the letters that I keep
And sometimes just before I go to sleep

I read 'em and weep, you swept me off of my feet
Now I know, time's the only healer
This jealousy hurts, the thought of seeing you with someone else
Cuts like a knife into the heart of me

Life is a river, it twists and it turns
But I'll get over you, babe, I'll live and I'll learn
The paper's full of January sales
I guess I won't be buying fairytales

Read 'em and weep, cryin' in my sleep
'Cause I know I'm gonna be alone tomorrow
And I walked the four miles, yeah, I walked the four miles
In tears and sorrow

This was the story, here's where it ends
Next time I'll be wiser, won't get let down again
I wanted you so badly but I failed
Now all I got's these little paper trails

Read 'em and weep, read 'em and weep
Oh yeah, de de de
Read 'em and weep, read 'em and weep
Ah, ha

I wanted you so badly but I failed
Now all I got's these little paper trails, ah