Folks that told us
Never showed us
Plans without practice
Words without action
Lies and infractions
I've been more than passive
Totally unreactive
Subdued and acting
Doin' math, subtracting

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I'm-a doin' the work
Now, ain't it a shame?
I'm-a playing the game again

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To come apart
And still have a little heart to lend
I'm innit to win
I'm gonna make it count
I'm here to win
And I don't know what winning's about

But if it's anything like
On the second strike
Hitting a home run, bases loaded
And the whole team hollering out
"Hey boy, that's what winning's about!"
Then Imma make it count

I know a man who lives in fear Fear up to his ears And in so much pain Pain up to his brain

And that terrifies me
Completely and profoundly
Ya know, the ocean's deep
For a two-armed sheep
Just-a tryna sleep more soundly

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Getting on the mic Singing all your favorite songs that you like Seeing the girl that loves ya Make ya wonder 'bout things above ya Imma make it count

I've been to cemeteries
Out where everyone's buried
Not a single one of them, my friend
Took a thing in that they carried

Folks talk about being driven Well hell, I'll take a ribbon I'm on the deep end and swimming Tryna take less than I'm given

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Seeing things clear
Having a hella lot less to fear
Taking deep breaths
You don't even mean to
Singing out loud
When you're feeling keen to
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