

## Underachiever

Jill Sobule

She's only passed Spanish and gym  
She's not bad at essays,  
She can bullshit her way through them  
She wears the Walkman under her hood  
She hides the magazine in her book  
She looks like she's elsewhere  
The girls in the school can be so mean  
The boys never pay attention  
She's in love with her history teacher  
She can't wait till she gets older  
Underachiever  
The halls in school look daunting  
They get longer and slower each day  
She moves past the smiles and whispers  
And the rumors that won't go away  
The girls in the school can be so mean  
And the boys just don't seem to matter  
She looks at the clock every minute or two  
She can't wait till class is over  
Underachiever  
She wakes up in the morning  
With a lump in her throat  
She thinks of excuses to stay in bed  
All day all day long  
She tells me a big secret  
She writes to me almost twice a day  
It's a lot for me to deal with  
I wish I could give her more time  
'Cause the girls in the school  
They were so mean  
And the boys never paid me attention  
I was in love with my English teacher  
I couldn't wait to get older  
The girls in the school  
The boys in the school  
The halls in the school  
The girls in the school  
Underachiever  
Only passed Spanish and gym  
Underachiever  
She's an underachiever