

## Daniel Cowman

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On the day that Daniel Cowman stopped existing  
The world should have ended right then and there  
At precisely four-fifteen when he stopped existing  
The world should have ended  
How could it go on?  
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Oh and I don't exist  
I don't exist ...

So now that we've got that straight  
Doesn't mean that I can fly  
Doesn't mean I that I can go do whatever I want.  
Now that we've got that clear  
And you know that I'm not here  
Doesn't mean that I can go do whatever I please.

The premature ejaculation of his death  
(sentence) hit Daniel in the face like a big round spitball hwk-pffffff.  
And everything got hazy in the courtroom and then he stood up  
And then he sat back down another two times in the row.  
And everything got real slow like a gunshot in the movies  
And he remembered heroin boy walking in through the door  
Bouncing off the walls and the floor  
Taking off his belt taking off his pants  
Filling up the bathtub  
Getting ready to go in for a swim.  
Singing I don't exist  
I don't exist ...

And now that we've got that straight,  
Doesn't mean that I can fly  
Doesn't mean that I can go do whatever I want.  
Now that we've got that clear  
And you know that I'm not here  
Doesn't mean that I can go do whatever I please.  
And you start remembering and remembering and remembering  
And remembering...

The heroin boy, he walked through the door,  
And he was screaming  
And I was like 'why's you screaming like it's the end of the world?'  
And he was like 'well it is.'  
And I was sitting in the corner with my pants down  
And I was sure that someone next door was blowing up balloons  
And it was red and orange.

And there was that swell lady at the bar just tryin to buy gin  
And there was this other lady at the bar and she was tryin to sell gin  
It worked out good for the boths of them.

And heroin boy started taking off his belt,  
Started taking off his pants,  
Started taking off his shoes  
Started filling up the bathtub  
Getting ready to go in for a swim

I says "No-o.  
You're goin to drown.  
He says 'No,  
I can't drown.  
Simply because...

Shhhhhhh.

A man destined to hang  
Can never drown,  
A man destined to hang  
Can never drown,  
A man destined to hang  
Can never ever drown.

A man destined to drown  
Can never burn,  
A man destined to drown  
Can never burn,  
A man destined to drown  
Can never ever burn.

A man destined to fry  
Can never ever ever  
A man destined to fry  
Can never ever ever  
A man destined to fry  
Can never ever ever die...  
In any other way but frying,  
Lucky that I'm dying  
By hanging and not drowning.

So now that we've got that straight  
Can't I just be left alone?  
I want to take a fuckin' bath