

New Man

Shriekback

(Introducing... a special creature)

This is a song of greed and vision
He is a man of wealth and pride
He rocks back and forward
Moves from side to side
Polishing little wheels of commerce
He keeps his flag unfurled
He is a master of disguise
A citizen of the world

His unease is getting special
His time is coming now
Here's our New Man
Well his unease is getting special
And his time is coming now
Here's our New Man

Holding a mirror up to nature
Nature doesn't seem to care
Holding it underwater
Waving it in the air
His experiments are famous
And fit loosely round the facts
They're held together with glue and pins
And tape and wax

Hammering out a new aesthetic
With his fur and wire and fire
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And you can't hide, you can't hide
It's got no ceilings it's got glass sides
Devil's work is what he do
Here's our New Man

He is called the human nest-egg
Is known as Prince of Leaves
He is hidden now but you can see
The bubbles where he breathes
He has mastered all the hard things
And is difficult to shock
Has a muscle on the bottom
Which attaches him to the rocks

It was the Devil made him do it
With his little shining eyes
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It was the Devil
Gonna make him do it
Here's our New Man

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