

## Veneer

### The Bears

The great ape arrived in a shiny red humvee  
He said "everything you see here, well it belongs to me"  
He had an Armani suit and diamond rolex watch  
And a keen appreciation for single-malt scotch

No civilization here  
Tried it on but it would not fit  
See it was only a thin veneer  
A little rubbing and it comes off quick

Such a pretty face - dignified and soft  
But backed the corner it'll all wear off  
The bloom on the branch belies a bitter fruit  
That innocent face hides a cobra's tooth