

## Karen

The National

Karen, I'm not taking sides, I don't think I'll ever do that again  
I'll end up winning and I won't know why  
I'm really trying to shine here, I'm really trying  
You're changing clothes and closing windows on me all the time

Well, whatever you do, listen, you better wait for me  
No, I wouldn't go out alone into America  
Whatever you do, listen, you better wait for me  
No, I wouldn't go out alone

Karen, we should call your father, maybe it's just a phase  
He'll know the trick to get a wayward soul to change his ways  
It's a common fetish for a dotting man  
To ballerina on coffee table, cock in hand

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I feel mechanical and thin, hear me play my violin again  
I'm living in the target's shoes, all I see is black and white and blue  
Idle, idle, idle, idle, protect the nest, protect the title

Karen, put me in a chair, fuck me and make me a drink  
I've lost direction and I'm past my peak  
I'm telling you, this isn't me, no, this isn't me  
Karen, believe me, you just haven't seen my good side yet

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I must be me, I'm in my head, blackbirds are circling my bed  
I must be me, I must be me, black feathers are falling on my feet

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