

It's a Pose

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Jimmy, you know my love is true
and Davy, you know I love only you
and Mitchie, you give meaning to every day
and Nathan, hold on I got somethin' to say
menfolk they need their women
but women don't need their men
ladies can walk away grinnin'
but guys act surprised
I thought I was your man
why'd you leave me baby
well sir here's a maybe
maybe it's because we can
"what the hell do you mean?"?
well for instance
you get a one you want twofold
"and what else?"?
you're a fiend, you're tight-fisted
got no moral molars
shrug your shoulders
sell your soul to get your gold
but hey hey hey
that ain't nothin' to do with you
you're a sensitive Joe I'm forgettin'
but every woman knows
it's a pose, just a pose
You're preenin' in your armchair
and I'm steamin' at your knee
go on pontificatin' like I care
Peter Lorrie, then a story about AC/DC
Harvard-educated, frustrated dictator
tyrant with a PhD
"what the hell do you mean?"?
well for instance
you have started every war
"and what else?"?
you're obscene, a coincidence
get your pornos from Time Warner
who is fornicatin' foreign shores
but hey hey hey
that ain't nothin' to do with you
you're a sensitive Joe, I'm forgettin'
but every woman knows

it's a pose, just a pose
Sammy, oh let me put away the kettle
oh no honey
your arrogance is what makes you special
and Manny, of course
when you leave you are missed
fellas can't you see I'm pissed
tryin' to enjoy my readin'
but you insist on interpretin' text
oh go on fuck off I'm pleadin'
every sentence is a pretext for sex sex sex sex
god you went to Oxford
head still in your boxers
but you're male so what should I expect?
"what the hell do you mean?"?
well for instance
you've committed every rape
"and what else?"?
I won't heed your insistence
Mr. copulatin' populatin' masturbatin' denigratin'
Birth of a Nation instigatin' violator of my escape
but hey hey hey, that ain't nothin' to do with you
you're a sensitive Joe, I'm forgettin'
but every woman knows
it's a pose, just a pose
heaven knows
the world's your ho
but she's gettin' too old
for your pose
oh, there she goes

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