



Meat Loaf

BAT OUT OF HELL

SONGS BY JIM STEINMAN





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BAT OUT OF HELL **

Guitars: Todd Rundgren
Piano: Roy Bittan
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Bass: Kasim Sultan
Drums: Max Weinberg
Percussion: Jim Steinman, Todd Rundgren
Synthesizer: Roger Powell
Motorcycle Guitar: Todd Rundgren
Background Vocals: Rory Dodd, Ellen Foley, Todd Rundgren,
Kasim Sultan

The sirens are screaming and the fires are howling
Way down in the valley tonight
There's a man in the shadows with a gun in his eye
And a blade shining oh so bright
There's evil in the air and there's thunder in the sky
And a killer's on the bloodshot streets
And down in the tunnel where the dead are rising
Oh I swear I saw a young boy
Down in the gutter
He was starting to foam in the heat

Oh Baby you're the only thing in this whole world
that's pure and good and right
And wherever you are and wherever you go
There's always gonna be some light
But I gotta get out
I gotta break it out now
Before the final crack of dawn
So we gotta make the most of our one night together
When it's over you know
We'll both be so alone

Like a bat out of hell
I'll be gone when the morning comes
When the night is over
Like a bat out of hell I'll be gone gone gone
Like a bat out of hell I'll be gone when the morning comes
But when the day is done
And the sun goes down
And the moonlight's shining through
Then like a sinner before the gates of heaven
I'll come crawling on back to you

I'm gonna hit the highway like a battering ram
On a silver black phantom bike
When the metal is hot and the engine is hungry
And we're all about to see the light
Nothing ever grows in this rotting old hole
Everything is stunted and lost

And nothing really rocks
And nothing really rolls
And nothing's ever worth the cost
And I know that I'm damned if I never get out
And maybe I'm damned if I do
But with every other beat I got left in my heart
You know I'd rather be damned with you
If I gotta be damned you know I wanna be damned
Dancing through the night with you
If I gotta be damned you know I wanna be damned
Gotta be damned you know I wanna be damned
If I gotta be damned you know I wanna be damned
Dancing through the night
Dancing through the night
Dancing through the night with you

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And wherever you are and wherever you go
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Then like a sinner before the gates of heaven
I'll come crawling on back to you

I can see myself leaping up the road
Faster than any other boy has ever gone
And my skin is raw but my soul is ripe
No one's gonna stop me now
I gotta make my escape
But I can't stop thinking of you
And I never see the sudden curve until it's way too late
I never see the sudden curve till it's way too late

Then I'm dying at the bottom of a pit in the blazing sun
Tom and twisted at the foot of a burning bike
And I think somebody somewhere must be tolling a bell
And the last thing I see is my heart
Still beating
Breaking out of my body
And flying away

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Tom and twisted at the foot of a burning bike
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Still beating
Breaking out of my body and flying away
Like a bat out of hell
Like a bat out of hell

YOU TOOK THE WORDS RIGHT OUT OF MY MOUTH (Hot Summer Night)

Guitars: Todd Rundgren
Piano: Roy Bittan
Bass: Kasim Sultan
Drums: Max Weinberg
Saxophone: Edgar Winter
Keyboards: Jim Steinman, Roy Bittan
Synthesizer: Roger Powell
Percussion: Todd Rundgren, Jim Steinman, Marvin Lee
Background Vocals: Rory Dodd, Ellen Foley, Todd Rundgren

It was a hot summer night and the beach was burning
There was fog crawling over the sand
When I listen to your heart I hear the whole world turning
I see the shooting stars
Falling through your trembling hands

You were licking your lips and your lipstick shining
I was dying just to ask for a taste
We were lying together in a silver lining
By the light of the moon
You know there's not another moment
Not another moment
Not another moment to waste

You hold me so close that my knees grow weak
But my soul is flying high above the ground
I'm trying to speak but no matter what I do
I just can't seem to make any sound

And then you took the words right out of my mouth
Oh—it must have been while you were kissing me
You took the words right out of my mouth
And I swear it's true
I was just about to say I love you
And then you took the words right out of my mouth
Oh—it must have been while you were kissing me
You took the words right out of my mouth

And I swear it's true
I was just about to say I love you

Now my body is shaking like a wave on the water
And I guess that I'm beginning to grin
Ooh, we're finally alone and we can do what we want to
The night is young
And ain't no one gonna know where you
No one gonna know where you
No one's gonna know where you've been

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HEAVEN CAN WAIT

Piano: Roy Bittan
String Arrangement: Ken Ascher
Background Vocals: Rory Dodd, Todd Rundgren

Heaven can wait
And a band of angels wrapped up in my heart
Will take me through the lonely night
Through the cold of the day
And I know
I know
Heaven can wait
And all the gods come down here just to sing for me
And the melody's gonna make me fly
Without pain
Without fear

Give me all of your dreams
And let me go along on your way
Give me all of your prayers to sing
And I'll turn the night into the skylight of day
I got a taste of paradise
I'm never gonna let it slip away
I got a taste of paradise

It's all I really need to make me stay—
Just like a child again

Heaven can wait
And all I got is time until the end of time
I won't look back
I won't look back
Let the altars shine

And I know that I've been released
But I don't know to where
And nobody's gonna tell me now
And I don't really care
No no no
I got a taste of paradise
That's all I really need to make me stay
I got a taste of paradise
If I had it any sooner you know
You know I never would have run away
from my home

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Let the altars shine

Heaven can wait
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ALL REVVED UP WITH NO PLACE TO GO**

Guitars: Todd Rundgren
Piano: Roy Bittan
Bass: Kasim Sultan
Drums: John Wilcox
Saxophone: Edgar Winter
Background Vocal: Ellen Foley

I was nothing but a lonely boy
looking for something new
And you were nothing but a lonely girl
But you were something
Something like a dream come true

I was a varsity tackle and a hell of a block
When I played my guitar
I made the canyons rock—but—
Every Saturday night
I felt the fever grow
Do ya know what it's like

All revved up with no place to go
Do ya know what it's like
All revved up with no place to go

In the middle of a steaming night
I'm tossing in my sleep
And in the middle of a red-eyed dream
I see you coming
Coming on to give it to me

I was out on the prowl down by the edge of the track—
And like a son of a jackal
I'm a leader of the pack—but—
Every Saturday night
I felt the fever grow
Do ya know what it's like
All revved up with no place to go

Oh, Baby, I'm a hunter in the dark of the forest
I've been stalking you and tracking you down
Cruising up and down the main drag all night long
We could be standing at the top of the world
Instead of sinking further down in the mud
You and me 'round about midnight
You and me 'round about midnight
Someone's got to draw first
Draw first
Someone's got to draw first blood
Someone's got to draw first blood
Oooh I got to draw first blood
Oooh I got to draw first blood

I was out on the prowl down by the edge of the track—
And like a son of a jackal I'm a leader of the pack—but—
Every Saturday night
I felt the fever grow
Do ya know what it's like
All revved up with no place to go
Do ya know what it's like
All revved up with no place to go

I was nothing but a lonely all-American boy
Looking out for something to do
And you were nothing but a lonely all-American girl
But you were something like a dream come true
I was a varsity tackle and a hell of a block
And when I played my guitar I made the canyons rock
But every Saturday night
I felt the fever grow

All revved up with no place to go
All revved up with no place to go

TWO OUT OF THREE AIN'T BAD*

Guitars: Todd Rundgren
Piano: Roy Bittan
Bass: Kasim Sultan
Drums: John Wilcox
Synthesizer: Roger Powell
Background Vocals: Roy Dodd, Todd Rundgren
String Arrangement: Ken Ascher

Baby we can talk all night
But that ain't getting us nowhere
I told you everything I possibly can
There's nothing left inside of here

And maybe you can cry all night
But that'll never change the way that I feel
The snow is really piling up outside
I wish you wouldn't make us leave here

I poured it on and I poured it out
I tried to show you just how much I care
I'm tired of words and I'm too hoarse to shout
But you've been cold to me so long
I'm crying icicles instead of tears

And all I can do is keep on telling you
I want you
I need you
But—there ain't no way I'm ever gonna love you
Now don't be sad
'Cause two out of three ain't bad
Now don't be sad
'Cause two out of three ain't bad

You'll never find your gold on a sandy beach
You'll never drill for oil on a city street
I know you're looking for a ruby in a mountain of rocks
But there ain't no Coupe de Ville hiding at the bottom
of a Cracker Jack box

I can't lie
I can't tell you that I'm something I'm not
No matter how I try
I'll never be able
To give you something
Something that I just haven't got

There's only one girl that I will ever love
And that was so many years ago
And though I know I'll never get her out of my heart
She never loved me back
Ooh I know
I remember how she left me on a stormy night
She kissed me and got out of our bed
And though I pleaded and I begged her not to
walk out that door
She packed her bags and turned right away

And she kept on telling me
She kept on telling me
She kept on telling me
I want you
I need you
But there ain't no way I'm ever gonna love you
Now don't be sad
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Now don't be sad
'Cause two out of three ain't bad
Don't be sad
'Cause two out of three ain't bad

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PARADISE BY THE DASHBOARD LIGHT**

Featured Female Vocal: Ellen Foley
Guitar: Todd Rundgren
Piano: Roy Bittan
Bass: Kasim Sultan
Drums: Max Weinberg
Saxophone: Edgar Winter
Keyboards: Jim Steinman, Roy Bittan
Synthesizer: Roger Powell
Background Vocals: Roy Dodd, Todd Rundgren,
Ellen Foley, Marvin Lee
Lascivious Effects: Jim Steinman
Baseball Play-by-Play: Phil (Scooter) Rizzuto (All-star Yankee shortstop
and voice of the New York Yankees)

I, Paradise

BOY:
I remember every little thing
As if it happened only yesterday
Parking by the lake
And there was not another car in sight
And I never had a girl
Looking any better than you did
And all the kids at school
They were wishing they were me that night

And now our bodies are oh so close and tight
It never felt so good, it never felt so right
And we're glowing like the metal on the edge of a knife
Glowing like the metal on the edge of a knife
C'mon! Hold on tight!
C'mon! Hold on tight!

Though it's cold and lonely in the deep dark night
I can see paradise by the dashboard light

GIRL:
Ain't no doubt about it
We were doubly blessed
Cause we were barely seventeen
And we were barely dressed

Ain't no doubt about it
Baby got to go and shout it
Ain't no doubt about it
We were doubly blessed

BOY:
Cause we were barely seventeen
And we were barely dressed

Baby doncha hear my heart
You got it drowning out the radio
I've been waiting so long
For you to come along and have some fun

And I gotta let ya know
No you're never gonna regret it
So open up your eyes I got a big surprise
It's feel alright
Well I wanna make your motor run

And now our bodies are oh so close and tight
It never felt so good, it never felt so right
And we're glowing like the metal on the edge of a knife
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C'mon! Hold on tight
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Though it's cold and lonely in the deep dark night
I can see paradise by the dashboard light
Though it's cold and lonely in the deep dark night
Paradise by the dashboard light

You got to do what you can
And let Mother Nature do the rest
Ain't no doubt about it
We were doubly blessed
Cause we were barely seventeen
And we were barely—

We're gonna go all the way tonight
We're gonna go all the way
And tonight's the night. . . .

RADIO BROADCAST:
OK, here we go, we got a real pressure cooker
going here, two down, nobody on, no score,
bottom of the ninth, there's the wind-up, and
there it is, a line shot up the middle, look
at him go. This boy can really fly!
He's rounding first and really turning it on

now, he's not letting up at all, he's gonna
try for second; the ball is bobbled out in center,
and here comes the throw, and what a throw!
He's gonna slide in head first, here he comes, he's out!
No, wait, safe—safe at second base, this kid really
makes things happen out there.
Batter steps up to the plate, here's the pitch—
he's going, and what a jump he's got, he's trying
for third, here's the throw, it's in the dirt—
safe at third! Holy cow, stolen base!
He's taking a pretty big lead out there, almost
daring him to try and pick him off. The pitcher
glances over, winds up, and it's bunted, bunted
down the third base line, the suicide squeeze is on!
Here he comes, squeeze play, it's gonna be close,
here's the throw, here's the play at the plate,
holy cow, I think he's gonna make it!

I. Let Me Sleep On It

GIRL:
Stop right there!
I gotta know right now!
Before we go any further—I

Do you love me?
Will you love me forever?
Do you need me?
Will you never leave me?
Will you make me so happy for the rest of my life?
Will you take me away and will you make me your wife?
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Will you love me forever?
Do you need me?
Will you never leave me?
Will you make me so happy for the rest of my life?
Will you take me away and will you make me your wife?
I gotta know right now
Before we go any further
Do you love me! ! ! ?
Will you love me forever! ! ! ?

BOY:
Let me sleep on it
Baby, baby let me sleep on it
Let me sleep on it
And I'll give you an answer in the morning

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Before we go any further
Do you love me?
And will you love me forever?

BOY:
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Baby, baby let me sleep on it
Let me sleep on it
And I'll give you an answer in the morning
Let me sleep on it! ! !

GIRL:
Will you love me forever?

BOY:
Let me sleep on it! ! !

GIRL:
Will you love me forever! ! !

II. Praying for the End of Time

BOY:
I couldn't take it any longer
Lord I was crazed
And when the feeling came upon me
Like a tidal wave
I started swearing to my god and on my mother's grave
That I would love you to the end of time
I swore that I would love you to the end of time!

So now I'm praying for the end of time
To hurry up and arrive
Cause if I gotta spend another minute with you
I don't think that I can really survive
I'll never break my promise or forget my vow
But God only knows what I can do right now
I'm praying for the end of time
It's all that I can do
Praying for the end of time, so I can end my time with you! ! !

BOY:
It was long ago and it was far away
and it was so much better than it is today

GIRL:
It never felt so good
It never felt so right
And we were glowing like
A metal on the edge of a knife

FOR CRYING OUT LOUD

Solo Piano: Roy Bitan
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Bass: Kasim Sultan
Drums: John Wilcox
Background Vocals: Roy Dodd
Arrangement: Steve Margoshes, Jim Steinman
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Orchestra: Members of New York Philharmonic and
Philadelphia Orchestra

I was lost till you were found
But I never knew how far down
I was falling
Before I reached the bottom

I was cold and you were fire
And I never knew how the pyre
Could be burning
On the edge of the ice field

And now the chilly California wind
is blowing down our bodies again
And we're sinking deeper and deeper in the
chilly California sand
Oh I know you belong inside my aching heart
And can't you see my faded Lewis bursting apart
And don't you hear me crying:
"Oh Babe, don't go"
And don't you hear me screaming:
"How was I to know!"

I'm in the middle of nowhere
Near the end of the line
But there's a border to somewhere waiting
And there's a tangle of time
Oh give me just another moment to see the light of the day
And take me to another land where I don't have to stay
And I'm gonna need somebody to make me feel like you do
And I will receive somebody with open arms, open eyes,
Open up the sky and let the planet that I love shine through

For crying out loud
You know I love you
For crying out loud
You know I love you
For crying out loud
You know I love you

I was damned and you were saved
And I never knew how enslaved
I was kneeling
In the chains of my master

I could laugh but you could cry
And I never knew just how high
I was flying
Ah, with you right above me

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For taking in the rain when I'm feeling so dry
For giving me the answers when I'm asking you why
My oh my
For that I thank you

For taking in the sun when I'm feeling so cold
For giving me a child when my body is old
Don't you know
For that I need you

For coming to my room when you know I'm alone
For finding me a highway and for driving me home
You got to know
For that I serve you

For pulling me away when I'm starting to fall
For revving me up when I'm starting to stall

And all in all
For that I wait you

For taking and for giving and for playing the game
For praying for my future in the days that remain
Oh Lord
For that I hold you

Ah, but most of all
For crying out loud
For that I love you
Ah, but most of all
For crying out loud
For that I love you
Ah, but most of all
For crying out loud
For that love you

When you're crying out loud
You know I love you

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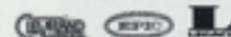
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