

# Delayed Reaction

Hall & Oates

You strike a low blow  
You fight a dirty fight  
Right to the heart you're putting me away  
Time was movin' slow  
But I was in control  
There were so many things I should've said  
But couldn't think of one word  
(Delayed reaction) oh yeah  
At first I was ashamed  
Then I was inflamed  
I wanted to hurt you  
Say that (delayed reaction) oh no  
At first I was alright  
And then I had to fight  
I wanted to hurt you  
I wanted to hurt you so

It was a backlash  
No I couldn't let it pass  
I was so mad I couldn't keep it down  
I made it real tough  
Ooh I had to blow you off  
I couldn't stand it having you around  
I couldn't stand the sound, no  
(Delayed reaction) oh yeah  
At first I was ashamed  
And then I was inflamed  
I wanted to hurt you  
Say that (delayed reaction) oh no  
At first I was alright  
And then I had to fight with you  
I wanted to hurt you  
I wanted to hurt you so  
But if the rage is right  
Then you better be wrong  
'Cause if I force a fight well then I'm twice a fool  
Ooh, I could've listened more  
Was that what you were waiting for?  
I can't imagine why  
I can't imagine why  
I can't imagine why you'd wanna let it go  
I didn't wanna blow but  
(Delayed reaction) oh yeah  
At first I was ashamed  
And then I was inflamed  
I wanted to hurt you  
Say that delayed reaction oh no  
At first I was alright  
And then I had to fight with you  
I wanted to hurt you so  
(Delayed reaction) oh yeah  
Ooh I had to fight, fight, fight you  
(Delayed reaction oh no)  
Just had to let the love blow to fight a dirty fight  
(Delayed reaction oh yeah)  
What good is saying I lost my head I didn't mean it girl  
(Delayed reaction) oh no

Ooh baby, ooh baby  
I can't imagine why you want to let it go  
(Delayed reaction)  
Ooh, yeah the boys are fine and I'm twice the fool  
(Delayed reaction) oh no  
I can't imagine why, I can't imagine why