

## Painting By Numbers

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You live your life  
Painting by numbers from one to five  
Figures outlined  
Neatly outlined

But those you try  
So hard to control will step out of line  
'Cause nothing in life  
Is so clearly defined

You know that I've tried  
To play by your rules  
I've smiled Mona Lisa  
To your Leonardo

You color me red  
Though I'm feeling blue  
Alone in your bed  
Waiting for you

You brush aside  
All sign of emotion never denied  
No clouds in your sky  
No waves on your ocean

You know that I've tried  
To play by your rules  
You played the king  
And I played the fool

You painted my heart  
The likeness so true  
So why did your pen  
Have to tear it in two?

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But as the years go by  
Your colors will run and fade into nothing  
And one day you'll find  
That your life has run dry