

Private

Carly Simon

[Chorus:]

Can you be private when the juice is sweet
And the secret is crimson
Can you be quiet when my hands are heat
And the riptide rises?

Can you be blind and a beggar on your knees?
And live on our desire alone
Can you ride the tide in this insanity
And still keep as still as the shadows?

When the cry is so wide on the inside
When the truth jumps quick to the heart
When the wind or the stars are violent
Can you be silent?

Here's a little something that the wizard said:
"You can kiss, but never tell
All the wisdom you need
And you'll be needing some
Can be heard in the mouth of a seashell"

[Chorus]

Just the wide grey sky
And the hunchback moon
Will keep our memories
Not a living soul will remember us
This is just for you and me

'Cause if you're out with the boys one night
If you're out with the boys and there's braggin'
If you break, speak and call me your lover,
I'll lie, I swear, I'll lie, and it will all be over