

# All the Children

## The Airborne Toxic Event

Time stands still when you're always underage  
So we learned to fake it like actors on a stage  
Everyone we knew told us just what to do and how to feel about  
it  
All our illusions fell. We knew them so well until we learned t  
o doubt all of it

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And if you jump too high, you fall harder than before  
All the children say, "Why'd you let me down?  
Tell me, when you going to come around?  
I can't live my life underground  
Tell me, when you going to come around?"

Calling, mama...

Blue lights and shadows, we grew up way too fast  
They stole our future. But they can't steal our past  
Everyone knows that's where you go if you have to run now  
If I'm not back by dawn, tell them I'll be gone and I'll stay g  
one somehow

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(Hold your tongue...)

Stop staring, stop staring, stop staring, oh stop staring  
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eryone...

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