Scared Straight

The Long Winters

Washington's on the one I'm in the middle of speaking And you're under the gun Seething, leave it to the lone nut It's unappealing in someone so young Plaintive, you're feeling so washed up And you mean it when you say you're done Five lanes of freeway But it's all gone dark You called to say you're gonna run Well, Can you wait? Can you stand it? Are you brave or are you scared straight? She didn't want you to: Speak right, be strong, act nice, take so long Call time, seem tired, leave mad, get so wired Maybe you belong to someone Maybe you have finally met them Maybe smoke belongs in the sky Maybe I hate it when you cry You were hurt so you got hard You were cursed and scolded and scared You were searched for, then ignored You want to burn the liars? You'll set us both on fire You're faking, so I'm pretend sleeping Waiting for this to be fun It's true little miss mean mini-bar guard We're gonna have to try something new Let me breath fire down on you