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## “Powerful”

Anton du Preez

I am powerful

It's happening over and again  
Steadily climbing up, but then  
I'm kicked and knocked down to my knees  
But here's a little secret about me  
My resilience will never fail  
I'll survive the storm, destroy your hail  
If you don't believe, you never will  
But look at me, I'm standing still  
I'll never back down from any fight  
It's time we stand up for our lives  
Just breathe, now sing

[Chorus]

I am powerful, electrical, ain't no stopping till I change the world  
My piano and pen gonna slay your sword  
I am mighty  
Rise above it all, even if I fall, get back up overcome it all  
Like a lions roar, you will hear my call  
I am powerful

I used to be terrified of life  
Too many struggles to survive  
But now with confidence, I see  
We'll vanquish oppression until we're free  
Our resilience will never fail  
We'll survive the storm, destroy your hail  
If you don't believe, you never will  
But look at us, we're standing still  
We'll never back down from any fight  
It's time we stand up for our lives  
Now sing

[Repeat Chorus]

Hey you, with your back against the wall  
Keep your head held high  
There's hope for you, you'll make it through  
And you, feeling there's no way to keep going on,  
Know that it gets better, you will see, now sing

[Repeat Chorus]

**“Come Close”**

Anton du Preez

I've got a story; it's time to tell  
Trying for heaven sometimes all I see is hell  
I've got this feeling, been here so long  
Another day and everything is going wrong  
I won't give up

[Pre-Chorus]  
All I see is you and me  
Together for eternity  
When we're dancing

[Chorus]  
Baby we don't need clothes  
Wanna see you exposed  
I want you the most  
And close to me  
Baby just lose control  
Of your body and soul  
Never let you go  
Stay close to me

We're moving slowly to the beat  
Your kisses softly on my neck  
I gently kiss your lovely cheek  
Passionate breathing on my chest

[Repeat Pre-Chorus]  
[Repeat Chorus]

Don't need clothes  
Let's get exposed  
I just want you close  
Slowly move me  
Oh so sexy  
Dancing wild and free

[Repeat Chorus]

## **“Up to You”**

Anton du Preez

Hello, it's me  
I've been trying to reach you for what seems like an eternity  
I may be different; you think it's wrong  
But know that I have been here hurting all along  
You won't accept me, no not the real me  
You just want your favorite pieces but not the anomalies  
I hope someday you'll understand  
Who I am

[Pre-Chorus]

Thoughts and feelings pour out of my heart  
But you're not listening; time to do your part

[Chorus]

I may be different; you think it's wrong  
But I'm so tired of being the only one who sees what's going on  
I've tried and tried to speak my mind  
But my words just fall on deaf ears, time to leave it all behind  
It's up to you; I'm tired of trying  
It's up to you; I'm done with crying  
It's up to you; there's no denying  
It's up to you; I'm different and I love myself

So long for now

Cause this air is just too toxic, you won't see me anyhow  
I may be different; you think it's wrong  
But know that I have been here moving right along  
No I don't need you, not anymore  
Far too long I've tried to kindle something you seem to abhor  
It's time for me to make my peace  
And be free

[Repeat Pre-Chorus]

[Repeat Chorus]

Too late for comfort when all the writing's on the wall  
When you abandoned me so many others made me tall  
I'm still the same damn man who hasn't changed a bit  
I just called out your shit  
Now it's up to you to see me

[Repeat Chorus]

## **“Brightest Light”**

Anton du Preez

Sha la la la la la la la x3  
Mm mm mm mm mm

Just thought I'd stop and say hello  
To show you how deep my love goes  
I hope you turn and look my way  
Cause your smile outshines the brightest light of day

I took a trip across the sea  
To find somewhere for you and me  
I wonder what it is you'll say  
When your smile outshines the brightest light of day.

Oh tomorrow  
When I finally find that peace of mind I seek  
No more loneliness for me  
I'm coming home so I can breathe  
Finally breathe  
And feel the light you bring

Sha la la la la la la la x3  
Mm mm mm mm mm

Brought back some sunshine of my own  
I'll pick you up and take you home  
Pick up my uke and sing and play  
So I can see your smile outshine the light of day

Cause your smile outshines the brightest light of day  
Brightest light of day  
Mm mm mm mm mm

## “Hello”

Anton du Preez

The sun comes up now every morning  
Get up and turn on the TV  
Pick up my phone and see who's calling  
I wonder who it's gonna be

I say Hello and you say Hey  
Wouldn't have it any other way  
Cuz when you're friends it doesn't matter what you say  
It could be Howdy or What's Up  
Aloha, come give me a hug  
I wanna see you face to face

[Chorus]

Cuz a smile's worth a million words  
A friend is worth a thousand people  
A lover's worth a hundred friends you know  
But if you can be a friend to me  
Then there is something you can see  
A smile gets a smile in return  
So just say hello

The sun goes down now every evening  
Backlight illuminates the screen  
So many ways that I can reach you  
Video or call what do you please

I say Bonjour and you say Hi  
Konnichiwa, it's not goodbye  
As-salaam 'alaikum to you friend  
Hola, Privyet, Ni Hao or Ciao  
Namaste, to you I bow  
I wanna see you face to face

[Repeat Chorus]

Say Hello; Privyet, Konnichiwa, Ni Hao  
Say Hello; Namaste, Ciao  
Say Hello; Salaam 'alaikum, Bonjour  
Say Hello; Tervehdys  
Hello!

[Repeat Chorus]

**“Be Bold”**

Anton du Preez

Everybody gets angry sometimes  
It's just another part of life  
But when you're told it's not real  
I know exactly how you feel  
Achilles' heel

Everybody finds purpose sometimes  
But it's not always sublime  
When someone exploits their gold  
At the expense of other souls  
He's gotta go

With one voice, we're rising up

[Chorus]  
Love transcends us all  
A million hearts beat strong  
And it's okay if we rage against the dying of the light  
Let's be bold  
Be bold

Everybody has a battle to fight  
But who's to say what is right  
A simple answer is known  
Don't oppress another soul  
Leave them alone

With one voice, we're rising up

[Repeat Chorus]

Be Bold  
When the darkness  
Looms over your head  
Be Bold  
We're rising up

[Repeat Chorus]

**“Pillow”**

Anton du Preez

Sometimes life finds a way to make permanent waves  
And it feels like you missed all the beautiful things  
But in time realize that it's never too late  
You forgive and forget all your past mistakes

[Pre-Chorus]

I know it's far too hard  
To find perfection inside our hearts  
But that don't mean we can't break free  
Hold onto the love between you and me

[Chorus]

I don't wanna go to bed mad at you  
I know you don't wanna be mad at me  
We'd have to be a superhuman just to let it all go  
But for now let's take it slow  
I'll be your pillow  
I'll be your pillow tonight

Sometimes life has a way to illuminate things  
No need for pride let your eyes flow with all of your rain  
And it's okay to be scared, yeah baby I am too  
Here's my plan, take my hand, yeah we'll make it through

[Pre-Chorus]

[Repeat Chorus]

La da da da x4

[Pre-Chorus]

[Repeat Chorus]

## **“No Future”**

Anton du Preez

What the hell is happening here  
Society is living in fear  
Regressions coming strong  
Try to carry on  
What the hell is happening here

Humanity is losing its way  
Despite the promises of today  
It's no wonder people die  
When they're taking all our rights  
Humanity is losing its way

Oh, don't see no future here  
Oh, our fate is sealed in fear

What's the point of trying to be good  
Community is misunderstood  
Our life is ending soon  
The world is surely doomed  
What's the point of trying to be good

I wish I had more time with you  
If tomorrow doesn't come, we're through  
I'm afraid to close my eyes  
I fear it's our demise  
I wish I had more time with you

Oh, don't see no future here  
Oh, our fate is sealed in fear  
Oh, don't see no future here  
Oh, I feel the end drawing near

What the hell is happening here  
Society is living in fear  
Afraid to close my eyes  
I fear it's our demise  
What the hell is happening here

## “Haystack”

Anton du Preez

It's like a needle in a haystack  
Imma roam around the world until I get back  
Cause I hate it when I'm flying lonely  
And it's you that's gonna try to own me  
That's right I'm not your one and only  
Baby you gon' make 'em clap clap when I get back back  
You ain't pull one over on me  
Cuz I know there're other guys that you see

Don't try to plead, not with me  
It's time to start over right now

Photographs and memories of all the places I've been the places that I've seen  
Too many boxes, it's time to empty them out, and throw that shit out  
Sometimes it doesn't work out the way that you've planned, sometimes it's damned  
So drink it up, live it up, party every moment 'til you can't lie

[Chorus]

Hold your head high, say good-bye  
It's time to start over right now  
Don't try to plead, not with me  
It's time to start over right now

Okay this message is for all who second-guess, quit it  
You'll never get no where with all the stress, hit it  
Exercise your working memory: retrieve it  
This should be rather elementary: believe it  
Haters wanna hate, I'm in the zone: defense  
Take another sip of that patron; you're tense  
Imma show you how to control that animal, intense  
If you go too far capital offense  
If you wanna roll hard don't fuck with us  
It's just a matter of time before I roll my cuffs up  
But you wanna make it better hell yeah get some  
Help somebody when they come  
Man I'm like a needle in a haystack  
So face that, I'm back from lookin' everywhere to try to find the best match  
So long to promises you can't keep  
Trying every second for a harmony you can't reach  
Sang it in the east and I sang it in the west  
And I come to give you more and I'll never give you less  
But I really gotta say it to you, get it off my chest  
It's time to start over right now

[Repeat Verse 1]

[Repeat Chorus]

## **“Solo in My Mind”**

Anton du Preez

I'm so tired of being in my head  
No windows to my soul  
I wish that I could share those words unsaid  
But I can't find the door  
No oh oh oh

[Chorus]

Alone, with this solo in my mind  
Running out of time  
Alone, with this solo in my mind  
I'm stuck inside the eye of my storm

I'm so tired of being in my head  
Nobody else at home  
I built so many walls that I can't shed  
Now I'm all alone  
No oh oh oh

[Repeat Chorus]

Fear envelops me  
The false dichotomy  
I'm either happy or I'm down  
Screaming violently  
But no one else can see  
The longest battle I have ever known  
Then at last, a break, my air escapes  
My heart, on fire, can't be replaced  
I scream and cry, so hard to try  
But I can finally let you in

I'm home with this solo in my mind  
Letting go in time  
So long to this solo in my mind  
We'll make it through the eye of my storm.

## **“I Can Be Anything”**

Anton du Preez

Feel the sun through the window  
Avoid the cold, watch the summer go  
Life is only what we can feel  
So how am I to know what is real?

What if I can be anything?  
All I want is to live my dreams  
Play with a symphony  
Ride on a dragon's wing  
Make believe  
So I sing

See the clouds dashing as they flee  
Feel the wind traveling impatiently  
Life is only what we can heal  
It's letting go of our training wheels

What if I can be anything?  
Maybe we can be King and Queen  
A sandcastle we can share  
Leave all our worries there  
And just be free  
So I sing

Life is only what we can feel  
Life is only what we can heal

What if I can be anything?  
What if life is just one big ring?  
Circling round and round  
Slowly it's winding down  
Until we sleep  
So I sing

**“Unashamed”**

Anton du Preez

*Solo voice:*

Unashamed  
I am who I am  
I am simply me  
And will always be  
Who I am  
I'll forever be  
Singing healing me  
Unafraid to be  
Who I am

*Choir:*

Onbeskaamd (unashamed)  
Ek is dapper (I am brave)  
Vir ewig (forever)  
Ek sal nie bang wees (I will be unafraid)

Finale:

*Solo voice:*

“ah”

*Choir:*

Dapper  
Ek sal nie bang wees  
Onbeskaamd