

Substitute by The Who

[Intro]

[Verse 1]

You think we look pretty good together
You think my shoes are made of leather

[Pre-chorus]

But I'm a substitute for another guy
I look pretty tall, but my heels are high
The simple things you see are all complicated
I look pretty young, but I'm just back-dated, yeah

[Chorus 1]

(Substitute) Your lies for fact
(Substitute) I see right through your plastic mac
(Substitute) I look all White, but my dad was Black
(Substitute) My fine-looking suit is really made out of sack

[Verse 2]

I was born with a plastic spoon in my mouth
The north side of my town faced east
And the east was facing south

[Pre-chorus]

And now you dare to look me in the eye
Those crocodile tears are what you cry
It's a genuine problem, you won't try
To work it out at all, just pass it by, pass it by

[Chorus 2]

(Substitute) Me for him
(Substitute) My coke for gin
(Substitute) You for my mum
(Substitute) At least I'll get my washing done

[Instrumental Break]

[Pre-chorus]

I'm a substitute for another guy
I look pretty tall but my heels are high
The simple things you see are all complicated
I look pretty young, but I'm just backdated, yeah

[Interlude 2]

[Verse 4]

I was born with a plastic spoon in my mouth
The north side of my town faced east
And the east was facing south

[Pre-chorus]

And now you dare to look me in the eye
Those crocodile tears are what you cry
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To work it out at all, just pass it by, pass it by

[Chorus 3]

(Substitute) Me for him
(Substitute) My coke for gin
(Substitute) You for my mum
(Substitute) At least I'll get my washing done

[Chorus 4/Outro]

(Substitute) Your lies for fact
(Substitute) I see right through your plastic mac
(Substitute) I look all White, but my dad was Black
(Substitute) My fine-looking suit is really made out of sack