

Lyrics for Put It in Drive CD

1. Free Falling

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When I was a child, I dreamed of falling
I'd wake up shaking, just before I hit.
I was so sure nothing else could scare me
More than those memories ever did.

Now I look at you, and I am falling
I don't know if I'll hit before I wake
But if there's a chance you could love me
That's a chance I'm gonna take.

And I'm free falling,
Into an ocean of tears or a sky of blue
I only know I'm free falling
Free falling into you.

Got a gambler's soul, I don't mind risking
Fame or fortune, lose or win
But when it comes to my heart, the stakes seem larger
And the edge of the cliff I'm standing on seems thin

And I'm free falling...

I want to hold on, I want to believe
In the words you're saying and the way I feel.

When I was a child, I dreamed of falling
I'd wake up shaking, trying just to breathe.
Now when I dream I am falling,
I see your arms reaching out for me.

And I'm free falling....

2. Falling in Love

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I could fall in love, lose myself in that look in your eyes
I could fall in love with you tonight.
It's not that far a fall, I'll catch the wind like a raven in flight
I could fall in love with you tonight.

So take my hand baby, don't let go
Whisper secrets I already know
There's magic waiting to be found in the pale moonlight
Like falling in love with you tonight.

I could fall in love, slide into the warmth of your smile
I could fall in love with you tonight.
I'm almost halfway there, one more touch, one more whisper and sigh
I could fall in love with you tonight.

Give me something I can hang onto
I need to know if you are feeling this to
I'll take it on faith, won't question a feeling so right
Like falling in love with you tonight.

3. Restless Nights

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Restless nights, can't get you off my mind
I close my eyes, and I see your face, every time.
And the look in your eyes, just before we said goodbye
Just gotta get through these restless nights.

Lightning strikes, I feel it running through my veins
Search the skies, praying for the grace of falling rain
To wash away all of my foolish alibis
Just gotta get through these restless nights,
Tell me how to get through these restless nights.

I have these ghosts, they haunt my dreams
Reminding me that life's not always what it seems
But I have angels, too, they keep me from harm
When I can't find shelter, no cover, no cover from the storm.

Restless nights, clock beating out the time
I'm holding tight to memories I should have left behind.
But you're hard to forget, I haven't stopped loving you yet
Just gotta get through these restless nights
Tell me how to get through these restless nights.

4. Get Down To It

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We've been fussing and fighting for a week or two
Nothing I do seems right to you
You want it your way and I want it mine
The way we both are, you know we're gonna die trying!

We're gonna get down to it, get down to it, baby
There ain't nothing so wrong we can't make it right
If we get down to it, down to it tonight.

You say you're leaving, walking out that door
You don't want to fight with me anymore
That's just part of this game we play
How can we make up if you don't stay?

We're gonna get down to it....

You can question my logic, you can laugh at my grace
You can try my patience all over the place
I won't promise peace and I can't promise bliss
But, oh-oh, I can promise you this

We're gonna get down to it....

5. I Know Who I Am

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Don't want to know what's down this road,
If I did, I might not go.
I don't know what's ahead, but I know who I am
There's always one more choice to make,
Can't live in fear of making a mistake
I trust my heart and my head, I know who I am.

Can't be the one I think I need
If it means giving up this much of me
I don't want to lose your love, but I know who I am.
I could try to see it your way,
Take our love day by day
I wish it could be enough, but I know who I am.

I know who I am and I know that I love you
What we have could be so good
Take anything except my pride
I thought you understood.

They say there's truth in what we read,
I'd rather you believe in what you see.
Take a look, it's all right there, you know who I am.
Hopes and dreams, flesh and bone,
A little fear of being alone,
But I'm strong enough to understand I know who I am.

6. Heart of the Night

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Deep in the night I can hear your heartbeat,
Just a sliver of moon and no sound but your heartbeat.
If I could freeze this moment and never move,
I still could never get enough of you.
I'm gonna have to learn how to live
In the heart of the night.

These days last forever, and the time just seems to crawl.
I come alive when the shadows begin to fall
And I know no matter how slow we move
I still could never get enough of you.
I'm gonna have to learn how to live
In the heart of the night.

You're pulling me under, a seductive riptide
The current's getting stronger, there's nowhere to hide
Here in the heart of the night.

I'm hanging by a thread, clinging to the sound of your heartbeat.
Every move I make, I'm dancing inside to your heartbeat.
If I could freeze this moment and never move,
I still could never get enough of you
I'm gonna have to learn how to live
In the heart of the night.

7. Put It in Drive

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I've been thinking for a while now, it's time to leave.
The walls are closing in fast, it's getting harder to breathe.
I want to chase a horizon I've never seen before
I don't know what's out there, I just know there's more.

So c'mon with me, baby, I ain't afraid of those curves
Got a steady heart and real strong nerves.
And I'm tired of watching my life flash by,
So if you love me, baby, put it in drive.

Can't you hear it calling? That voice in the wind?
Singing 'bout places we've never been.
My engine's running, I'm revved up high
Like a pedal to the metal, I was born to fly

So c'mon with me baby...

We'll take a look at the map, then throw it away
I want to go too far, I want to get there today....

I need to know you're with me, don't want to leave you here
In a cloud of dust in my rear view mirror
There's still so much I want to do,
And don't you know, I want to do it with you.

So c'mon with me baby....

8. New Year's Day

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I stand at the window as soft-falling snow
Blankets the hillside in fleece
I think of old friends as a new year begins
And hold them in beauty and peace.

Another year gone, another year come
A full moon to open our hearts
May my candle burn clean, may I say what I mean
May I finish the work that I start.

Time floats away, a leaf on this wind
No matter how tightly we hold it close,
The best we can do is treasure what's true,
Let the rest melt like soft-falling snow.

I walk through the forest, sing to the trees
Live out this life I have planned.
It's a long way to come, a long way to go.
So much to still understand.

Do we ever stop yearning for what we don't have?
See our freedom instead of our chains?
Ever see the quiet beauty surrounding us all?
Like the snow falling on New Year's Day.

9. Hold On

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She's got a 9-5 job that pays just enough to get by,
She's got a house full of pictures of other peoples' lives.
She's got family and friends, they all have lots of advice.
Good and bad, she takes it all with a smile.

But sometimes late at night, she thinks about where she is,
She sure never thought her life would turn out like this,
But she tells herself to hold on, hold on to your dreams,
Hold on, no matter how hard it seems
When you think your last chance is gone,
You gotta hold on.

She never married, got no child of her own
But her friends' kids love her and they all want to follow her home.
She always thought she would be a teacher some day
Before working for the dream turned into working for the pay.
So she opens her hope chest and looks at everything inside,
Spreads it all out and tacks up a yard sale sign
Cause there's a voice telling her to hold on, hold on to your dreams
Hold on, no matter how hard it seems
When you think your last chance is gone,
You gotta hold on.

You know life ain't gonna ask you if you're happy or not.
You can take what you get, or go out after what you really want,
You gotta hold on.

She sold the house now, got her suitcase packed.
She put a note on her boss's desk, said she won't be back.
When she told everyone she was going to school
She heard a few laughs and something about old fools.
Well, the deck may be stacked, but she's still playing to win,
She'd rather risk it all than live a life of what might have been.
She's gonna hold on, hold on to her dreams
Hold on, no matter how hard it seems
When you think your last chance is gone
That's the time to hold on.

10. Run To Me

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Don't want a man to hold my hand,
Pat my head, tell me everything's okay
I need a man who understands how strong I am
And that's how I'm gonna stay,
Cause we'll need all the strength that we have
To keep our love alive in a world that's gone mad
When the news gets worse every day,
I hang on till you look at me and say

Run to me, can't you see I am here?
I'm standing right beside you
And I'll be on your side,
I'll wrap my love around you.
You're free to follow your dreams,
I hope they all come true
And when you come back home,
You can run to me.

Don't want a man who has no dreams,
Who doesn't know what passion really means.
I need a man who'll take a chance that love can last,
Then give it all he has.
It's too easy to fall apart,
Too walk away and never risk your heart.
What we have is worth fighting for,
I won't settle for less when I know there is more,

So run to me....

Even in the darkest of nights,
Don't you know there's still a little light?
It will be shining straight from my heart
To guide you home when our dreams take us apart.

You're free to follow your dreams, I hope they all come true
And when you come back home, just come back home,
Don't you know you can come back home,
And run to me.

11. Over You

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I'm the kind of girl who never fails
To hang onto the past with my last fingernail
Baby, I know we're through
I just need a little time to get over you.

I put your picture in the cat's litter box
Changed the sheets, then I changed all of the locks
Poured myself a shot or two
I just need a little comfort till I can get over you.

I've been over the moon, been over my head
I've over-analyzed every word you ever said
I got over fast cars, I'm over fast food
Why can't I get over you?

I asked my doctor what I should do,
She gave me a doll that looked a whole lot like you,
Handed me a pin or two.
So If you feel a little twinge, it's just me getting over you.

I've been over the moon, been over my head,
I've over-analyzed every word you ever said
I got over fast cars, I'm over fast food
Now, baby, I'm over you!

Woke up this morning with a new attitude,
Crossed you right off of my list of things to do
So, baby, if you think I'm still blue,
Get over yourself, cause I sure am over you.
Yeah, get over yourself, cause I am so over you!

12. Sail On

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Take me sailing, where the ocean kisses the stars
Feel the rhythm, the waves match the beat of my heart
Oh come on with me, baby, let's see what we've been missing
There's a whole lot of life that ain't about living
We'll follow the setting sun, and sail on.

I knew a woman, lived her whole life up on dry land
She met a sailor, he smiled and tugged on her hand
He said, come on with me, baby, I'll show you what you're missing
Life's too short to waste it on wishing
We'll follow the setting sun, and sail on.

So what's it gonna take to get that cell phone out of your ear?
You keep giving me reasons, but, baby, what I'm hearing
Is just a little bit of fear.

What's your worry> We don't know what the future will hold
I've got a theory, you'll feel a whole lot better in a lot less clothes!
We ain't getting younger and I'm still wondering
Just what's out in the world.
So if you want me to be your girl, sail on

Oh, come on with me honey, who cares about the money,
Let's go see the world.
You know I'll always be your girl, so sail on...

13. The Change I Want To See

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No good news today, the world's going to hell in the same old way.
I look around and wonder, where do we start?
Everybody tells me there's nothing we can do,
I guess I used to feel the same way, too.
But I don't want to hear that now, I've had a change of heart

And I'm through counting on someday,
Tired of waiting for things to go my way,
Done believing everything they're selling me
I'm through waiting for the world to change,
I'm gonna be the change I want to see.

So what did you do today to make your corner of this world a better place?
It's gonna take a lot of time, love and money to set things straight.
You don't have to be a millionaire, you just have to show up and care.
The power is yours to use, don't you give it away.

And I'm through....

One heart, two hands, make a start, take a stand
What we do will change the world we see
So take a breath and repeat after me:

I'm through.....