

# The National - Tropic Morning News Lyrics

I wasn't starting yet  
I didn't even think you were listening  
I wasn't ready at all  
To say anything about anything interesting  
It's a thing you have  
You just don't know that you do it  
You wait around in a conversation  
While I get in and start stumbling through it

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I didn't have it straight in my head  
I didn't have my face on yet or the role or the feel  
Of where I was going with it all  
I was suffering more than I let on  
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Got to my feet  
Feeling that I'd let you down  
Wanted to say it slow and perfect  
But it all somehow got switched around  
Something went off on its own  
My dumb, automatic chit-chat  
It's not what I meant to say at all  
There's no way you can attach me to that

Got up to seize the day  
With my head in my hands feeling strange  
When all my thinking got mangled  
And I caught myself talking myself off the ceiling  
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Oh, where's the brain we shared?  
Something somehow has you rapidly improving  
Oh, what happened to the wavelength we were on?  
Oh, where's the gravity gone?  
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You found the ache in my argument  
You couldn't wait to get out of it  
You found the slush in my sentiment  
You made it sound so intelligent  
You can stop and start an athlete's heart  
How do I feel about it?  
I would love to have nothing to do with it  
I would like to move on and be through with it

I'll be over here lying near the ocean  
Making ocean sounds  
Let me know if you can come over  
And work the controls for a while

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