

## IES LA ARBOLEDA

### UNTITLED, BY SIMPLE PLAN

I open my eyes  
I try to see but I'm blinded by the white light  
I can't remember how  
I can't remember why  
I'm lyin' here tonight  
And I can't stand the pain  
And I can't make it go away  
No I can't stand the pain

Chorus:

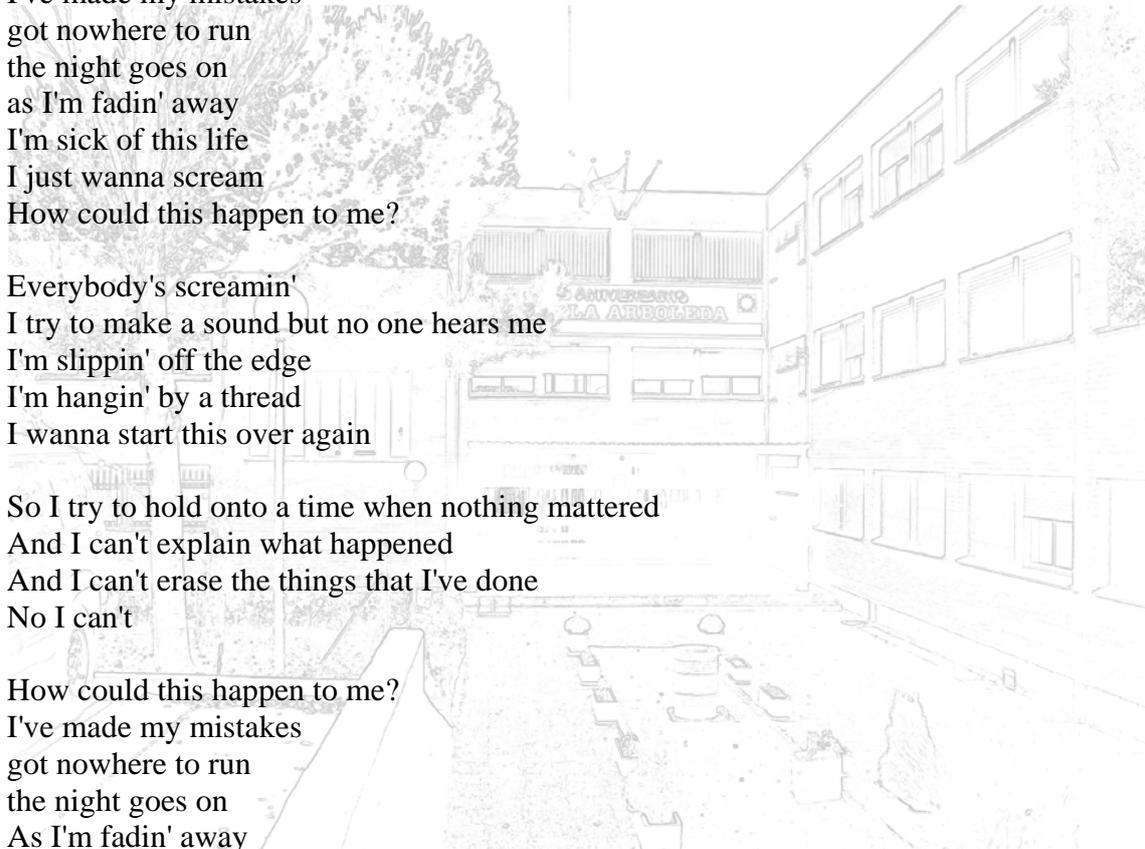
How could this happen to me?  
I've made my mistakes  
got nowhere to run  
the night goes on  
as I'm fadin' away  
I'm sick of this life  
I just wanna scream  
How could this happen to me?

Everybody's screamin'  
I try to make a sound but no one hears me  
I'm slippin' off the edge  
I'm hangin' by a thread  
I wanna start this over again

So I try to hold onto a time when nothing mattered  
And I can't explain what happened  
And I can't erase the things that I've done  
No I can't

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## 1.- QUESTIONS:

- 1.- What is the story about?
- 2.- If you watch the video clip, it seems to deal with a car crash and the deaths caused by drunk driving. Does the song say anything about the accident?
- 3.- What does the song focus on?
- 4.- Write the words or phrases that shows the artist's mood or feelings.
- 5.- In the song the word "wanna" appears several times. Explain what it means, and what kind of register it shows.
- 6.- What does "I can't stand the pain" mean?.- Personally, what can't you stand?

**2.- GROUP DISCUSSION.-** There are different interpretations of the real meaning of the song and the message Simple Plan wanted to put across. Next you'll find several opinions taken from the website: [www.lyricinterpretations.com](http://www.lyricinterpretations.com) . Read them and choose which one you agree more with.

a) *"This song is about a friend of the lead singer that died in a drunk driving accident. She/he was sober, but the driver of the other car was drunk. In the video, when the family goes flying through the air, it shows how drunk driving can upset a family"*.  
(anonymous March 6th, 2006 09:02AM)

b) *"I think the song speaks for itself. It tells about how somebody make a huge mistake in life and regrets it. There is nothing he/she could do about it. Just suffer the consequences. The music video though shows how tragic something could happen in life such as drunk driving and somebody is killed. I think the song could have several meanings. Though it really is about something tragic that happens to people in everyday life. Somebody killed in a drinking and driving incident is just a great example. I just want to say that I am glad there are bands to put out music like this. They inspire me and make me realize that I won't let any of my friends drink and drive"*  
(anonymous July 13th, 2006 05:16PM )

c) *"It is about how some of simple plan's friends died in a car crash when they were drunk so the message is don't drink and drive. I think it is called untitled because... well how could you come up with a title for a plot like that?"*