

# Bruce Springsteen, Roulette

We left the toys out in the yard  
I took my wife and kids and left my home unguarded  
We packed what we could into the car  
No one here knows how it started  
Suddenly everything was just so out of control  
Now I want some answers, mister, I need to know  
I hear all the talk but I don't know what you're sayin'  
But I think I got a good idea of the game that you're playin'

Roulette, that's the name  
Roulette, that's the game now  
Roulette, I don't know what they're sayin'  
Roulette, everybody's playin'

I grew up here on this street  
Where nothin' moves, just a strange breeze  
In a town full of worthless memories  
There's a shadow in my backyard  
I've got a house full of things that I can't touch  
Well all those things won't do me much good now  
I was a fireman out at Riker's, I did my job  
Mister, I've been cheated, I feel like I've been robbed  
I'm the big expendable, my life's just canceled null and void  
Well what you gonna do about your new boy

Roulette, you're playin' with my life  
Roulette, with my kids and my wife  
Roulette, every day the stakes get bigger  
Roulette, a different finger on the trigger

Down by the river that talks  
The night speaks in searchlights  
And shortwave radios squawk  
The police patrol the streets  
But I've left behind the man I used to be  
Everything he believed and all that belonged to me  
I tried to find my way out to somewhere where I thought it'd be safe  
They stopped me at the roadblock they put up on the interstate  
They put me in detention but I broke loose and then I ran  
They said they want to ask me a few questions but I think they had other plans  
Now I don't know who to trust and I don't know what I can believe  
They say they want to help me but with the stuff they keep on sayin'  
I think those guys just wanna keep on playin'

Roulette, with my life  
Roulette, with my kids and my wife  
Roulette, the bullet's in the chamber  
Roulette, who's the unlucky stranger  
Roulette, surprise, you're dead  
Roulette, the gun's to your head  
Roulette, the bullet's spinning in the chamber  
Roulette, pull the trigger, feel the click  
No further danger