

# Jackie Evancho, Burn

I saved every letter you wrote me  
From the moment I read them  
I knew you were mine  
You said you were mine  
I thought were mine

Do you know what Angelica said  
When we saw your first letter arrive?  
She said: "Be careful with that one, love  
He will do what it takes to survive"

You and your words flooded my senses  
Your sentences left me defenseless  
You built me palaces out of paragraphs  
You built cathedrals

I'm re-reading the letters you wrote me  
I'm searching and scanning for answers  
In every line  
For some kind of sign  
And when you were mine  
The world seemed to burn  
Burn

You published the letters she wrote you  
You told the whole world how you brought this girl  
Into our bed  
In clearing your name  
You've ruined our lives

Do you know what Angelica said  
When she read what you'd done?  
She said: "You have married an Icarus  
He has flown too close to the sun"

You and your words obsessed with your legacy  
Your sentences border on senseless  
And you are paranoid in every paragraph  
How they perceive you  
You, you, you...

I'm erasing myself from the narrative  
Let future historians wonder  
How Eliza reacted  
When you broke her heart  
You have torn it all apart  
I'm watching it burn  
Burn

The world has no right to my heart  
The world has no place in our bed  
They don't get to know what I said  
I'm burning the memories  
Burning the letters  
That might have redeemed you

You forfeit all rights to my heart  
You forfeit the place in our bed  
You'll sleep in your office instead  
With only the memories  
Of when you were mine

I hope that you burn