

# Modest Mouse, Sweater

it was like this in 1999  
it was like this in 1874  
it was like this when you were a child  
it was like this when i was a whore, well  
there were massive troops on the back of the isles  
they were saying those things, they were all in denial  
they were talkin about their own front  
let me tell it like, it smelled like shit and they  
and theyre eatin popcorn out of a dish  
theyre sayin "i wish, i wish, i wish"  
i was there in 1999, i was left and i left my old self behind  
still livin but you know im not denying  
said what i said, and i said this  
in 1918 things were better when i was nothin but a sweater  
now im born again as another man  
im livin on this in this foreign land  
i used to be andora, angora fleece, isnt no sound and i eat in peace  
and noone knew, and noone cared, and you didnt know whether you wanted to dare  
its not what you were thinkin them and as your resurrection breathed out cinnamon  
and i was not to be confused  
and then in 1882 they still sold it to those fucks  
things have been goin wrong since the beginning  
and noone was loosin and noone was winning  
they just fucked each other up  
and in 1999 i was in a park in chicago  
oh that was nice  
he was like a father and he know what he was sayin and wait  
im not talkin about this bullshit  
and i went to talk to the more italian boys who hung out there  
they said that they would rather see me dead or at least not kept  
and they broke my jaw and i was left to thaw  
and i walked away and i called my mom and said  
hell yeah it sucked yeah i loved it break my jaw now!  
you hang on you hang on  
you got your rent on and you were just sayin uhh  
one thing you remembered you were never even once bein clever  
then you were, when sleepin, you were sleepin when their sayin when there was a phone yeah  
mistakes were made and i ended up in florida  
things were not right i didnt care though  
what ya do, and what ya become, either way ya end up all dumb  
thats all right with me now, thats all right with me now 1-2 1-2 me with  
the troops they were massing on the porch, they wanted to be the only thorn  
and in the court of the goff goff senate i hear things are better and noones really tougher  
and your talkin loud and your talkin proud in your trumpet now.. ohhhhhhhh shit!  
well ya said then, what ya meant then, what ya did then, was ya wanna have sex  
and you did not do, you could not do, ya could not pull out but ya tried to  
then ya said well i dont need, i dont need to wear myself a bikini today!  
it brings me to the embarassment, i was sittin on a raft in pond sediment  
and they said hell yeah, oh hell yeah, you looked naked for shit but you  
were drunk you didnt care well what were you thinkin

[Isaac (after song):] so if anyones recording this show, if i could have a copy of that...  
uhmmm cause its the only time ill ever hear that either...