

# Criminal

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I've been a bad, bad girl  
I've been careless with a delicate man  
And it's a sad, sad world  
When a girl will break a boy  
Just because she can  
Don't you tell me to deny it  
I've done wrong and I wanna suffer for my sins  
I've come to you cause I need guidance to be true  
And I just don't know where I can begin  
What I need is a good defense  
Cause I'm feelin' like a criminal  
And I need to be redeemed  
To the one I've sinned against  
Because he's all I ever knew of love  
Heaven help me for the way I am  
Save me from these evil deeds before I get them done  
I know tomorrow brings the consequence at hand  
But I keep livin' this day  
Like the next will never come  
Oh help me, but don't tell me to deny it  
I've got to cleanse myself  
Of all these lies til I'm good enough for him  
I've got a lot to lose  
And I'mbettin' high so I'm beggin' you  
Before it ends  
Just tell me where to begin  
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Cause I'm feelin' like a criminal  
And I need to be redeemed  
To the one I've sinned against  
Because he's all I ever knew of love  
Let me know the way  
Before there's hell to pay  
Give me room to lay the law and let me go  
I've got to make a play  
To make my lover stay  
So what would an angel say  
The devil wants to know  
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