

# Watching The Detectives

Elvis Costello and the Attractions

Intro: [Am] [F] [Am] [F] [Am] riff over E0E0A0A2 [F] riff over A3A2A3E1

[Am] Nice girls not one with a defect [F] cellophane shrink wrap so correct  
[Am] Red dogs under illegal [F] legs  
[Am] She looks so good that he gets down and [F] begs

She is [C] watching the detectives ooh [G] he's so cute  
She is [C] watching the detectives  
When they [G!] shoot [Em!] shoot [F!] shoot [D!] shoot  
[Am] They beat him up until the teardrops start (-G-)  
[F] But he can't be wounded cos he's got no [C] heart [G]  
4x2 4x2

[Am] Long shot of that jumping sign  
[F] Visible shivers running down my spine  
[Am] Cut to baby taking off her clothes  
[F] Close up of the sign that says we never close

[Am] You snatch a tune you match a cigarette  
[F] She pulls the eyes out with a face like a magnet  
[Am] I don't know how much more of this I [F] can take  
[Am] She's filing her nails while they're dragging [F] the lake

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When they [G!] shoot [Em!] shoot [F!] shoot [D!] shoot (*bass on beat after word*)  
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[F] But he can't be wounded cos he's got no [C] heart [G]  
4x2 4x2

[Am] You think you're alone until you realize you're in it (-G-)  
Now [F] fear is here to stay love is here for a visit  
They [Am] call it instant justice when it's past the legal limit (-G-)  
Someone's [F] scratching at the window I wonder who is it  
The de[Am]tectives come to check if you belong to the parents (-G-)  
Who are [F] ready to hear the worst about their daughter's disappearance  
Though it [Am] nearly took a miracle to get you to stay (-G-)  
It only [F] took my little fingers to blow you a[C]way  
4x2

Just like [G] watching the detectives [C] don't get cute  
Just like [G] watching the detectives  
[Am] I get so angry when the teardrops start (-G-)  
[F] But he can't be wounded cos he's got no [C] heart  
4x2

[G] Watching the detectives [Am] just like  
[F] watching the detectives [Am] Watching the detectives  
[F] watching the detectives [Am] Watching the detectives  
[F] watching the detectives [Am]