**MATCHSTALK MEN AND MATCHSTALK CATS AND DOGS – Key C**

**He painted Salford's smokey tops On cardboard boxes from the shops,**

**And parts of Ancoats where I used to play**

**I'm sure he once walked down our street**

**Cause he painted kids who had nowt on their feet**

**The clothes we wore had all seen better days.**

**Now they said his works of art were dull No room, all round the walls are full**

**But Lowry didn't care much any way**

**They said he just paints cats and dogs And matchstalk men in boots and clogs**

**And Lowry said that's just the way they'll stay**

**And he painted matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and dogs**

**He painted kids on the corner of the street with the sparking clogs**

**Now he takes his brush and he waits out side them factory gates**

**To paint his matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and dogs**

**Now canvas and brushes were wearing thin When London started calling him**

**To come on down and wear the old flat cap**

**They said tell us all about your ways And all about them Salford days**

**Is it true you're just an ordinary chap?**

**And he painted matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and dogs**

**He painted kids on the corner of the street with the sparking clogs**

**Now he takes his brush and he waits out side them factory gates**

**To paint his matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and dogs**

**Now Lowries hang upon the wall Be side the greatest of them all**

**Even the Mona Lisa takes a bow This tired old man with hair like snow Told northern folk its time to go The fever came and the good Lord mopped his brow**

**And he left us matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and dogs**

**He left us kids on the corner of the street with the sparking clogs**

**Now he takes his brush and he waits out side them factory gates**

**To paint his matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and dogs**

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