

Example 1: Lyrics to 'Only Women Bleed' by Alice Cooper (lyrics) and Dick Wagner (music). From Alice Cooper, *Welcome to my Nightmare* (Atlantic Records R2 74383, 2002 [1975]). Permission to reprint lyrics requested.

Man got his woman / To take his seed  
He got the power, oh / She got the need  
She spends her life thru' / Pleasin' up her man  
She feeds him dinner, oh / Anythin' she can  
She cries alone at night too often  
He smokes and drinks and don't come home at all  
Only women bleed [X3]  
Man makes your hair grey / He's your life's mistake  
All you're really looking for's / An even break  
He lies right at you / You know you hate this game  
Slaps you once in a while / And you live and love in pain

She cries alone at night too often [etc]

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Black eyes all of the time / Don't spend a dime  
Clean up this grime / And you, there, down on your knees  
Begging me please / 'Come watch me bleed'

Only women bleed [X7]