

Matchstalk Men and Matchstalk Cats and Dogs, (Brian and Michael)

INTRO G G G G

LEADER

He [G] painted Salford's smokey tops
On [Em] cardboard boxes from the shop
And [E7] parts of Ancoats where I used to [Am] play
I'm [Am] sure he once walked down our street
for he [G] painted kids with nowt on their feet
The [D] clothes they wore had all seen better [G] days. [D]

Now [G] they said his works of art were dull,
no [Em] room and all the walls were full,
But [E7] Lowry didn't care much any[Am]way,
They said he just paints cats and dogs
and [G] matchstalk men in boots and clogs
And [D] Lowry said that's just the way they'll [G] stay. [D]

ALL

And he painted [G] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats
and [Am] dogs,
He painted [D] kids on the corner of the street who were
sparking [G] clogs, [D]
Now he [G] takes his brush and he waits out-[Am]side those
factory gates
To paint his [D] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [G]
dogs.

LEADER

[G] Now canvas and brushes were wearing thin
when [Em] London started calling him
To [E7] come on down and wear the old flat [Am] cap,
They said tell us all about your ways and all a[G]bout those
Salford days
Is it [D] true you're just an ordinary [G] chap? [D]

ALL

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To paint his [D] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [G] dogs.

LEADER

Now [G] Lowrys hang upon the wall
be-[Em]side the greatest of them all
And [E7] even the Mona Lisa takes a [Am] bow,
This [Am] tired old man with hair like snow
told [G] northern folk it's time to go,
The [D] fever came & the good Lord mopped his [G] brow [D]

ALL

And he painted [G] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [Am] dogs,
He painted [D] kids on the corner of the street who were sparking [G] clogs, [D]
Now he [G] takes his brush and he waits out-[Am]side those pearly gates
To paint his [D] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [G] dogs.

ALL

And he left us [G] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [Am] dogs,
He painted [D] kids on the corner of the street who were sparking [G] clogs, [D]
Now he [G] takes his brush and he waits out-[Am]side those pearly gates
To paint his [D] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [G] dogs.

SLOWER

To paint his [D] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [G] dogs. STOP