Common People
Words by Jarvis Cocker
Music by Pulp

Moderately bright

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1. She came from Greece, she had a thirst for knowledge, she studied sculpture at St.

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(Verse 2 see block lyric)

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Martin's college that's where I caught her eye.

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She told me that her dad was loaded,

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I said, in that case I'll have rum and Coca-Cola, she said, fine.
And then in thirty seconds time she said I want to live like common people, I want to do whatever common people do. Want to sleep with common people, I want to sleep with common people have you.

Well what else could I do, I said I'll... I'll see what I can do.

[1. C] [2. C] Rent a flat...
above a shop, cut your hair
and get a job, smoke some fags

and play some pool, pretend you never went to school.

but still you'll never get it right. 'Cause when you're laid

in bed at night watching roaches climb the wall.

if you called your dad, he could stop it all yeah.
You'll never live like common people, you'll never do what you'll never watch your life slide out of view and then dance and drink and screw because there's nothing else to do.
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Want to live like common people like you.

Verse 2:

I took her to a supermarket,
I don't know why
But I had to start it somewhere
So it started there.
I said pretend you've got no money
She just laughed and said oh you're so funny.
I said yeah?
Well I can't see anyone else smiling in here.
Are you sure you want to live like common people?
You want to see whatever common people see,
You want to sleep with common people,
You want to sleep with common people like me?
But she didn't understand;
She just smiled and held my hand.