## **Light My Candle**

## Rent

ROGER What'd you forget? MIMI Got a light?ROGER I know you? --You're --You're shiveringMIMI It's nothing They turned off my heat And I'm just a little Weak on my feet Would you light my candle? What are you staring at? **ROGER** Nothing Your hair in the moonlight You look familiar Can you make it? **MIMI** Just haven't eaten much today At least the room stopped spinning. Anyway. What?ROGER Nothing Your smile reminded me of --I always remind people of -- Who is she? **ROGER** She died. Her name was April **MIMI** It's out again Sorry about your friend Would you light my candle? **ROGER** Well ---MIMI Yeah. Ow! **ROGER** Oh, the wax -- it's --MIMI Dripping! I like it -- between my --**ROGER** 

Fingers. I figured...

Oh, well. Goodnight. It blew out again?

MIMI

No -- I think that I dropped my stashROGER

I know I've seen you out and about

When I used to go out

Your candle's out

MIMI

I'm illin' --

I had it when I walked in the door

It was pure --

Is it on the floor?

**ROGER** 

The floor?

**MIMI** 

They say I have the best ass below 14th street

Is it true?ROGER

What?

MIMI

You're staring again.

ROGER

Oh no.

I mean you do have a nice --

I mean --

You look familiar

**MIMI** 

Like your dead girlfriend?

**ROGER** 

Only when you smile.

But I'm sure I've seen you somewhere else --MIMI

Do you go to the Cat Scratch Club?

That's where I work - I dance

Help me look

**ROGER** 

Yes!

They used to tie you up --

**MIMI** 

It's a living

**ROGER** 

I didn't recognize you

Without the handcuffsMIMI

We could light the candle

Oh won't you light the candle?

ROGER

Why don't you forget that stuff

You look like you're sixteen

MIMI

I'm nineteen --

But I'm old for my age

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I'm just born to be bad
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**ROGER** 

I once was born to be bad

I used to shiver like that

MIMI

I have no heat -- I told youROGER

I used to sweat

MIMI

I got a cold

**ROGER** 

Uh huh

I used to be a junkie

**MIMI** 

But now and then I like to --

**ROGER** 

Uh huh

MIMI

Feel good

**ROGER** 

Here it -- um --MIMI

What's that?

**ROGER** 

It's a candy bar wrapper

MIMI

We could light the candle

What'd you do with my candle?

**ROGER** 

That was my last match

MIMI

Our eyes'll adjust

Thank God for the moon

**ROGER** 

Maybe it's not the moon at all

I hear Spike Lee's shooting down the streetMIMI

Bah humbug ... Bah humbug

**ROGER** 

Cold hands

MIMI

Yours too.

Big. Like my father's

You wanna dance?

**ROGER** 

With you?

MIMI

No -- with my father

**ROGER** 

I'm Roger

MIMI

They call me

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