INTRO:  D  G  [vamp], lead guitar bends an A note up to B

D          G          D          G
I, I will be king and you, you will be queen.

C             D             C         (G)             D
Though nothing will drive them away, we can beat them just for one day.

C          G          D          G          D          G
We can be heroes, just for one day.

And you, you can be mean; and I, I'll drink all the time.
'Cause we're lovers, and that is a fact.
Yes we're lovers, and that is that.
Though nothing will keep us together,
We could steal time just for one day.
We can be heroes forever and ever – what do you say?

I, I wish you could swim like the dolphins, like dolphins can swim.
Though nothing will keep us together,
We can beat them forever and ever.
Oh, we can be heroes just for one day.

VERSE 1 REPRISE:  [sing an octave higher, sound desperate]

I, I can remember standing by the wall;
And the guards shot above our heads.
And we kissed as though nothing could fall.
And the Seine was on the other side.
Oh, we can beat them forever and ever.
Then we can be heroes just for one day.