

If I Were A Boy / Beyonce

If I were a boy
Even just for a day
I'd **roll out of** bed in the morning
And **throw on** what I wanted and go

Drink beer with the guys
And chase after girls
I'd **kick it** with who I wanted
And I'd never **get confronted for** it
Cause they'd **stick up for** me

*If I were a boy
I think I could understand
How it feels to love a girl
I swear I'd be a better man

I'd listen to her
Cause I know how it hurts
When you lose the one you wanted
Cause he's **taken you for granted**
And everything you had got destroyed*

If I were a boy
I would **turn off** my phone
Tell everyone it's broken
So they'd think that I was sleeping alone

I'd **put** myself **first**
And make the rules as I go
Cause I know that she'd be faithful
Waiting for me to come home (to come home)

Repeat *

It's a little too late for you to come back
Say it's just a mistake
Think I'd forgive you like that
If you thought I would wait for you
You thought wrong

But you're just a boy
You don't understand

How it feels to love a girl someday
You wish you were a better man

You don't listen to her
You don't care how it hurts
Until you lose the one you wanted
Cause you've taken her for granted
And everything you have got destroyed
But you're just a boy...

Official Video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AWpsOqh8q0M>

Lyric Video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ir0FaK757Vw>

Vocabulary & Phrases

1. **roll out of bed**: to get out of bed.
2. **to throw (something) on**: to put on some clothes hastily.
3. **to kick it with (someone)**: to hang out with (someone)
4. **to get confronted for (doing something)**: to be forced to explain your actions
5. **to stick up for (someone/something)**: to defend or support someone/something.
6. **to take (someone/something) for granted**: to underestimate the value of something/someone.
7. **to turn (something) off** : to stop the operation, activity, or flow of something; to shut off.
8. **to put (something/someone) first**: to treat or consider something/someone as more important than anything else.

Questions

1. Why do Beyonce and the man say these words at the beginning of the video: intimacy, honesty, commitment, you, me, and us? What do you think about these words?
2. What elements do you think are needed in a relationship?
3. Have you ever been treated like the man before? (ex: have you been

ignored or left in the cold) How did you deal with that?

4. What would you do if you realized that your girlfriend/boyfriend has been hurt by you but she/he still loves you?

5. In your relationship, who would you be more like? Beyonce or her boyfriend? Why?

6. What would you do if you found out your girlfriend/boyfriend is cheating on you?

7. Why did the characters switch roles at the end of the video?

8. If you are in a relationship, what do you think about it right now? Do you feel exactly like what the lyrics describe?