

# Nothing But Flowers – Talking Heads

[intro] – drums and congas

**G**                      **Bm**

Here we stand like an Adam and an Eve

**Am**                      **D**

A waterfall, the garden of Eden.

**G**                      **Bm**

Two fools in love, so beautiful and strong,

**Am**                      **D**

The birds in the trees are smiling upon them.

**F#**                      **Bm**

From the age of the dinosaurs

**F#**                      **Bm**

Cars have run on gasoline,

**G**                      **Bm**

Where, where have they gone?

**Am**                      **D**

Now, it's nothing but flowers.

**Chorus:**

**G**

There was a factory,

**D**                      **C**                      **G**

Now there are mountains and rivers!

**D C**

(You got it, you got it)

**G**

We caught a rattlesnake,

**D C G**

Now we've got something for dinner

**D C**

(You got it, you got it)

**A**

This was a shopping mall,

**E D A**

Now it's all covered with flowers

**E D**

(You got it, you got it)

**A**

If this is paradise,

**E D A**

I wish I had a lawn mower!

**E D**

(You got it, you got it)

Interlude:

**G - G - G - G (repeat)**

**G**            **Bm**  
Years ago I was an angry young man,  
**Am**            **D**  
I'd pretend that I was a billboard.  
**G**            **Bm**  
Standing tall by the side of the road,  
**Am**            **D**  
I fell in love with a beautiful highway.

**F#**            **Bm**  
This used to be real estate,  
                  **F#**            **Bm**  
Now it's only fields and trees.  
**G**            **Bm**  
Where, where is the town?  
**Am**            **D**  
Now, it's nothing but flowers.

**Am**            **E**  
The highways and cars  
**Am**            **E**  
Were sacrificed for agriculture.  
**Cm**                    **G**  
I thought that we'd start over  
                  **Cm**            **D**  
But I guess I was wrong.

## [Drum Break]

### Chorus:

**G**

This was a parking lot

**D C G**

Now it's a peaceful oasis

**D C**

(You got it, you got it)

**G**

This was a Pizza Hut

**D C G**

Now it's covered with daisies

**D C**

(You got it, you got it)

**A**

I miss the honky tonks,

**E D A**

Dairy Queens, and 7-Elevens.

**E D**

(You got it, you got it)

**A**

And as things fell apart,

**E            D            A**

Nobody paid much attention.

**E            D**

(You got it, you got it)

### **[Another Drum Break]**

**A**

I dream of cherry pies,

**E                    D                    A**

Candy bars and chocolate chip cookies

**E            D**

(You got it, you got it)

**A**

We used to microwave

**E            D            A**

Now we just eat nuts and berries

**E            D**

(You got it, you got it)

**A**

This was a discount store

**E                    D            A**

Now it's turned into a cornfield

**E            D**

(You got it, you got it)

**A**

Don't leave me stranded here,

**E            D            A**

I can't get used to this lifestyle.