

Agh, sorry, this isn't going to be the usual entertaining and enlightening read, I'm afraid, because... if I don't get it down to Staples Office Superstore in Thornton Heath to be photocopied within the next 10 minutes, I'll miss the release-date and, as you can tell by the fact that this is only the fourth line, I haven't actually written any of it yet. Well, other than the first four lines. Five. Hmm. (Thinks: this is promising...)

Of course, given the single's already a few weeks late, you're probably pointing your finger accusingly (I imagine you all with one huge, communal finger... it's not a pleasant image, but it keeps me suitably cowed... and your toe is worse...) and asking why I didn't spend those weeks thinking up entertaining and enlightening things to tell you, rather than leaving it all till the last moment. Well, basically, it's because I spent them locked in furious battle with the Forces of Darkness (pressing-plants, distributors, printers, bands etc.) which, it turned out, left only about 25 minutes a week free for entertainment and enlightenment, and I preferred to spend those watching *South Park*.

I even tried getting up really early this morning, thinking I might manage to get something entertaining and enlightening down on paper before lunch... but then I had to spend the morning unexpectedly counting all my cardboard boxes, after it suddenly occurred to me that I had 4000 Field Mice CDs lying about on the floor waiting to be shrinkwrapped and nothing to put them in - I forget offhand why they have to visit my flat on their way to the shrinkwrapping plant - it's either something to do with money, or so that those CDs which object on ethical grounds to being shrinkwrapped can be excused. Probably the former, as CDs, being inanimate objects, are essentially amoral.

I sometimes wish I was an inanimate object. It's such a great excuse.

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