

**Transcript: Martin Creed, *Understanding*, 2016**

**00:00:01 [Music and singing]**

Martin Creed: We are bitten down and clamped on.  
We won't let go.  
We're joined like dogs.  
We're bitten down and clamped on.  
We won't let go.  
We're joined like dogs.  
I'm understanding.  
I'm understanding.  
I'm understanding.  
I'm understanding.  
Listening. I'm listening.  
I'm listening.  
I'm listening.  
Understanding. I'm understanding.  
I'm understanding.  
I'm understanding.  
We were arguing, and I was saying, "I'm a victim."  
And you were saying, "I'm a victim."  
And I was saying, "I'm a victim."  
It's as if you were really saying what it felt like you were saying.  
Quotation marks.  
Quotation marks.  
It's as if you were really saying.  
I was saying.  
What I thought, I thought you were saying.  
You were saying, "I'm a victim."  
Touch the ball.  
I'm a victim.  
I'm saying.  
No, I'm a victim.  
Touch the ball.  
You were saying.  
I'm a victim. I'm saying.

No I'm a victim. I'm saying.  
No I'm a victim. I am fighting but.  
No I'm a victim. I'm saying.  
I'm a victim. Touch the ball.  
No I'm a victim. I'm saying.  
No I'm a victim. Touch the ball.  
No I'm a victim. You were saying.  
I'm a victim. I was saying.  
No I'm a victim. You were saying.  
No I'm a victim. We were fighting but.  
No I'm a victim. I was saying.  
I'm a victim. Touch the ball.  
No I'm a victim. You were saying.  
No I'm a victim. Touch the ball.  
No I'm a victim. I was saying.  
Understanding. I'm understanding. I'm understanding. I'm understanding.  
Listening. I'm listening. I'm listening. I'm listening.  
We were arguing.  
I could hear you saying.  
I was saying.  
And I was saying, "I'm a victim."  
What about the fight you were saying.  
You were saying.  
And you were saying "I'm a victim."  
Quotation marks.  
I was saying.  
And I was saying "I'm a victim."  
Quotation marks.  
It's as if you weren't really saying.  
I'm saying.  
What it sounded like you were saying.  
Saying.  
Quotation marks.  
I'm saying.  
Quotation marks.  
You were saying.  
As if you were really saying.

I'm a victim. I'm saying.

No, I'm a victim. I'm saying.

No, I'm a victim. I am fighting but.

No, I'm a victim. I'm saying.

Understanding. Quotation marks.

I'm understanding. I'm saying.

I'm understanding. Quotation marks.

I'm understanding.

Listening. I'm listening. I'm listening. I'm listening.