

# How Can You Live Like That?

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Big cities are not the place for me  
People are cramped together living in misery  
If you walk three blocks at night, you'll be as scared as you can be  
There's a guard watching with a gun as you buy your grocery

(Chorus)

How can you live like that? x 2

The stores are all closed long before it gets dark  
Ladies are afraid to walk alone through the park  
You're afraid to go to sleep when your neighbor's dog lets out a bark  
Muggers are standing on street corners, happy as a lark

(Chorus)

How can you live like that? x 2

You try to park in front on a lighted street  
Just to buy some food to carry out to eat  
If you ride the public transportation, you take a front seat  
When you hear the ambulance and the police siren  
You know the night's complete

(Chorus)

How can you live like that? x 2

People have bars on their windows and three locks on the door  
Have a pistol under their pillow and a shotgun on the floor  
One thing about crime in the big cities  
They rob the rich and kill the poor  
City officials keep saying that they can't do much more...

(Chorus)

How can you live like that? x 2

How can you find the solution when you can't see for the pollution?

How can you live like that?

How can you live in one room and smell the dust from your neighbor's broom?

How can you live like that?

How can you stand the pace in such a crowded place?

How can you live like that?

How can you fight inflation and plus the school situation?

How can you live like that?

How can you keep your feet with all those holes in the street?

How can you live like that?

When you gonna realize... that every big city is a high rise?

(Chorus)

How can you live like that? x 4