IF I WERE A BOY. (Beyonce)

If I were a boy even just for a day  
I'd **roll out** of bed in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
And throw on what I wanted and go  
Drink beer with the guys  
And chase after \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
I'd kick it with who I wanted  
And I'd never get confronted for it  
'Cause they **stick up** for me

{Chorus}  
If I were a boy  
I think I could understand  
How it feels to love a girl  
I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_I'd be a better man  
I'd listen to her  
'Cause I know how it hurts  
When you lose the one you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
'Cause he's **taking you for granted**  
And everything you had got destroyed

{Verse}  
If I were a boy  
I would turn off my phone  
Tell everyone **it's broken**  
So they'd think that I was sleeping \_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
To come home...

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'Cause I know how it hurts  
When you lose the one you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)  
'Cause he's taking you for granted (granted)  
And everything you had got destroyed

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

{Chorus }  
But you're just a boy  
You don't understand  
Yeah you don't understand, oh  
How it feels to love a girl  
Someday you wish you were a better \_\_\_\_  
You don't listen to her  
You don't care how it hurts  
Until you lose the one you wanted  
Cause you're taking her for granted  
And everything you had got destroyed  
But you're just a boy!

1. Fill in the blanks.
2. Try to give a definition for the expressions in bold type.
3. What type of song (love, protest, etc.) is this one?
4. Are there different parts in the song? Which ones? How do you know?
5. What are the things she would do “if she was a boy”? List them.
6. What is the message of the song? What is she trying to say? Is there anything she doesn’t like?
7. What would you do if you were a boy/girl? How would your life be different?

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I swear I'd be a better man  
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Waiting for me to come home  
To come home...

{Chorus}  
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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 (wanted)  
'Cause he's taking you for granted (granted)  
And everything you had got destroyed

{Bridge}  
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

{Chorus }  
But you're just a boy  
You don't understand  
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How it feels to love a girl  
Someday you wish you were a better man  
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