

# I am what I am

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1. I am \_ what I am, I \_ am my own spe - cial cre -  
 2. I am \_ what I am, I \_ don't want praise, I \_ don't want  
 3. I am \_ what I am, and what I am needs no ex -

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- a - tion. So, come take a look, give me the hook, or \_ the o -  
 pi - ty; I bang my own drum, some think it's noise, I \_ think it's  
 - cus - es; I deal my own deck, some times the ace, sometimes the

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- va - tion. It's my world \_ that I want to have a lit - tle pride in;  
 pre - tty. And so what \_ if I love each spar - kle and each ban - gle?  
 deu - ces. There's one life \_ and there's no re - turn and no de - po - sit;

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My world, and it's not a place I have to hide in. Your life \_ is a  
 Why not try and see things from a diff - 'rent an - gle? Your life \_ is a  
 One life, so it's time to o - pen up your heart to: Your life \_ is a

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sham, till \_ you can say, 'Hey\_ world, I am what I am'.  
 sham, till \_ you can shout out . loud, 'I am what I am'.  
 sham, till \_ you can say, 'Hey\_ world, I am what I am'.

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pret ty. It's my song and if you don't like the style I bring it,  
 deu ces. It's high time that I blow my horn and sound my trum - pet,

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My song, so at least res - spect my right to sing it, Your life - is a  
 High time, and if you don't like it you can lump it! Your life - is a

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sham, till \_ you can shout out loud: 'I am what I am'.  
 sham, till \_ you can

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say: 'Heyworld, I am what I am!'

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