

Been a long long been a long long

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Is it Led Zeppelin? Don't know, but that line of a song has been haunting my inner ear for days. Not only has it been a long time since I posted anything on here, it's been a long time since I've had a really good night's sleep and it's been a long time since I was born. Only four more days, and I'll turn 34. I remember, about ten years ago, when I was still happily doing my thing at University, not worrying about owt except what country to travel to next, and whether or not I'd get an A in the last test, I every so often mused about my "thirties." I was convinced that by the age of 33 at the latest, I'd have a really well paid job that would keep me from constantly worrying about money and that I'd possibly be married and have children, and a house, and a driving license. How naive some people still are in their twenties. Needless to say, I haven't got any of that, but I have other things, I never thought I would have. Now, the other day, I was joining in the collective moan about the year 2009 in general and my life in particular. What a crap year it's been, never enough money, no prospects, getting old and wrinkly, been made redundant twice, etc. etc. But then my boyfriend reminded me that I was alive and breathing, that we'd had a couple of nice holidays, that at least he had a job, and that we had no major illnesses. So it wasn't all that bad, and he's bloody well right. It wasn't all that bad. What a decade it's been though. Between 2000 and 2010 I did an internship in Chile, finished University, got my first job and my first flat, travelled on my own, had another amazing trip back to Chile in 2003, lived the high life in Berlin, met the love of my life, moved to England, where I possibly had the best time of my life (looking back), finally saw Paris and Barcelona, had Champagne for the first time ever, discovered crumpets, started writing and got published, started learning Hungarian, became unemployed. Off to the next decade. In this one, I'll watch less crap on telly and will try and have a more positive outlook on life. I hope so anyway.