

**The Bed Song**  
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[Verse]

**G**  
Exhibit A,  
**Em** **Em**  
We are friends in a sleeping bag, splitting the heat  
**G** **C** **G** **C**  
We have one filthy pillow to share and your lips are in my hair  
**G** **Bm**  
Someone upstairs has a rat that we laughed at  
**Em**  
And people are drinking  
**G** **C** **G** **C**  
And singing Van Halen and Slayer on a ukulele tear

[Verse]

**G**  
Exhibit B  
**Em**  
Well, we found an apartment  
**Em**  
It s not much to look at  
**G** **C**  
A futon on a floor  
**G** **C**  
Torn-off desktop for a door  
**G** **Bm**  
All the decor s made of milk crates and duct tape  
**Em**  
And if we have sex  
**G** **C**  
They can hear us through the floor  
**G** **C**  
But we don t do that anymore

[Chorus]

**Em** **G**  
And I lay there wondering, what is the matter?  
**Em** **G**  
Is this a matter of worse or of better?  
**Em** **G**  
You took the blanket, so I took the bedsheet  
**Em** **G**  
But I would have held you if you d only  
**C**  
Let me

[Verse]

**G**

Exhibit C

**Bm**

Look how quaint

**Em**

And how quiet and private

**G**

**C**

Our paychecks have bought us a condo in town

**G**

**C**

It s the nicest flat around

**G**

**Bm**

You picked a mattress and had it delivered

**Em**

And I walked upstairs

**G**

**C**

And the sight of it made my heart pound

**G**

**C**

And I wrapped my arms around me

[Chorus]

**Em**

**G**

And I stood there wondering, what is the matter?

**Em**

**G**

Is this a matter of worse or of better?

**Em**

**G**

You walked right past me and straightened the covers

**Em**

**G**

**C**

But I would still love you if you wanted a lover

[Bridge]

**C**

**Em**

**D/F#**

**G**

**Cdim/G#**

**Am**

**Bm**

**C**

But you said, All the money in the world won t buy a bed so big and wide,

**Em D/F# G**

**Cdim/G# Am**

**Bm**

**C**

to guarantee that you won t acci - dentally touch me in the night.

[Verse]

**G**

Exhibit D

**Bm**

Now we re both mostly paralyzed

**Em**

**G**

**C**

Don t know how long we ve been lying here in fear

**G**

**C**

Too afraid to even feel

**G**

**Bm**

I find my glasses and you turn the light out

**Em**

Roll off on your side

**G**

**C**

Like you ve rolled away for years

**G**

**C**

Holding back those king-size tears

[Chorus]

**Em** **G**  
And I still don't ask you, what is the matter?  
**Em** **G**  
Is this a matter of worse or of better?  
**Em**  
You take the heart failure  
**G**  
I'll take the cancer  
**Em** **G** **C**  
I've long stopped wondering why you don't answer

[Verse]

**G**  
Exhibit E  
**Bm** **Em**  
You can certainly see how fulfilling a life  
**G** **C** **G** **C**  
From the cost and size of stone of our final resting home  
**G** **Bm**  
We got some nice ones right under a cherry tree  
**Em** **G** **C**  
You and me lying the only way we know  
**G** **C**  
Side by side and still and cold

[Outro]

**Em** **G**  
And I finally ask you, what was the matter?  
**Em** **G**  
Was it a matter of worse or of better?  
**Em** **G**  
You stretch your arms out and finally face me  
**Em**  
You say I would have told you  
**G** **C**  
If you'd only asked me  
**G** **C**  
If you'd only asked me  
**G** **C**  
If you'd only asked me