

The Bed Song
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[Verse]

G#
Exhibit A,
Cm **Fm**
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# **Cm**
Someone upstairs has a rat that we laughed at
Fm
And people are drinking
G# **C#** **G#** **C#**
And singing Van Halen and Slayer on a ukulele tear

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

[Chorus]

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

[Verse]

G#

Exhibit C

Cm

Look how quaint

Fm

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#

Cm

You picked a mattress and had it delivered

Fm

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]

Fm

G#

And I stood there wondering, what is the matter?

Fm

G#

Is this a matter of worse or of better?

Fm

G#

You walked right past me and straightened the covers

Fm

G#

C#

But I would still love you if you wanted a lover

[Bridge]

C#

Fm

Eb/F#

G#

C#dim/G#

Bbm

Cm

C#

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

Fm Eb/F# G#

C#dim/G# Bbm

Cm

C#

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

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Exhibit D

Cm

Now we re both mostly paralyzed

Fm

G#

C#

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

G#

C#

Too afraid to even feel

G#

Cm

I find my glasses and you turn the light out

Fm

Roll off on your side

G#

C#

Like you ve rolled away for years

G#

C#

Holding back those king-size tears

[Chorus]

Fm

G#

And I still don't ask you, what is the matter?

Fm

G#

Is this a matter of worse or of better?

Fm

You take the heart failure

G#

I'll take the cancer

Fm

G#

C#

I've long stopped wondering why you don't answer

[Verse]

G#

Exhibit E

Cm

Fm

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#

Cm

We got some nice ones right under a cherry tree

Fm

G#

C#

You and me lying the only way we know

G#

C#

Side by side and still and cold

[Outro]

Fm

G#

And I finally ask you, what was the matter?

Fm

G#

Was it a matter of worse or of better?

Fm

G#

You stretch your arms out and finally face me

Fm

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