

The Bed Song
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[Verse]

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

[Verse]

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

[Chorus]

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

[Verse]

A

Exhibit C

C#m

Look how quaint

F#m

And how quiet and private

A

D

Our paychecks have bought us a condo in town

A

D

It s the nicest flat around

A

C#m

You picked a mattress and had it delivered

F#m

And I walked upstairs

A

D

And the sight of it made my heart pound

A

D

And I wrapped my arms around me

[Chorus]

F#m

A

And I stood there wondering, what is the matter?

F#m

A

Is this a matter of worse or of better?

F#m

A

You walked right past me and straightened the covers

F#m

A

D

But I would still love you if you wanted a lover

[Bridge]

D

F#m

E/F#

A

Ddim/G#

Bm

C#m

D

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

F#m E/F# A

Ddim/G# Bm

C#m

D

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

[Verse]

A

Exhibit D

C#m

Now we re both mostly paralyzed

F#m

A

D

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

A

D

Too afraid to even feel

A

C#m

I find my glasses and you turn the light out

F#m

Roll off on your side

A

D

Like you ve rolled away for years

A

D

Holding back those king-size tears

[Chorus]

F#m

A

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

F#m

A

Is this a matter of worse or of better?

F#m

You take the heart failure

A

I'll take the cancer

F#m

A

D

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

[Verse]

A

Exhibit E

C#m

F#m

You can certainly see how fulfilling a life

A

D

A

D

From the cost and size of stone of our final resting home

A

C#m

We got some nice ones right under a cherry tree

F#m

A

D

You and me lying the only way we know

A

D

Side by side and still and cold

[Outro]

F#m

A

And I finally ask you, what was the matter?

F#m

A

Was it a matter of worse or of better?

F#m

A

You stretch your arms out and finally face me

F#m

You say I would have told you

A

D

If you'd only asked me

A

D

If you'd only asked me

A

D

If you'd only asked me