

**Keepin It Real**  
**Barenaked Ladies**

-Standard Tuning-

-Capo 2nd Fret-

-Chords:-

**E:** 022100

**A:** x0222x

**B:** x24442

[Intro]

**E, A (x7)**

**E, A, B, A, B, E**

[Verse 1]

**E**                    **A**                    **E**                    **A**  
Everyone who sees it puts their face in the ground  
**E**                    **A**                    **B**                    **A**  
And when nobody s watching, they can tear it all down  
**E**                    **A**                    **E**                    **A**  
Friend or foe? Cause I can be either one  
**E**                    **A**                    **B**                    **A**  
But if they come at me, then they better all run

[Chorus]

**E**                    **A**                    **E**                    **A**  
The wood s all soaking, so fire won t burn  
**E**                    **A**                    **B**                    **A**  
Now I d keep talking, but you never learn  
**E**                    **A**                    **E**                    **A**  
The cut s too deep, and so the wound won t heal  
**E**                    **A**                    **B**                    **A**                    **E**  
You won t keep nothing, you don t keep nothing by keepin it real

[Verse 2]

Long-toothed time is marching on as I sing  
Just cut me down the middle and count my rings  
Can t keep nothing; best to leave it alone  
You die naked and they burn up your bones

[Chorus]

[Instrumental] (x2)

**E, A, E, A**

**E, A, B, A**

[Verse 3]

What s the point in wishing there was somewhere to go

If when you get there, you can't let anyone know  
When my time comes, I won't be leaving this Earth  
And what I've done for people will determine my worth

[Chorus] (x2)