

Holding On For Life
Broken Bells

Holding On For Life - Broken Bells

Tabbed by: isenheimer
E-mail: isenheimer@hotmail.com
Tuning: Standard

This tab is for the official single released on November 21, 2013. This version of the song can be heard at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uhBewKu80Mg>

When played live, James Mercer actually plays **Bm Bm9 G A** throughout the song instead of **Bm Bm G A**. The live version can be heard at https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=6e5T9HAYJfc#t=8

[Intro]

Bm Bm G A

Bm Bm (guitar comes in)

[Verse 1]

Bm

Girl, take a seat

Bm

Rest your weary bones

G

A

The secret s safe in my hands

Bm

Tell me bout the years and

Bm

let me buy an hour

G

A

Maybe help me to understand

[Pre-Chorus]

Bm

Ain t nobody calling

Bm

Ain t nobody home

Em **F#**
What a lovely day to be lonely

[Chorus]

F#
You re holding on for life

Bm
holding on for life. You re

Bm **G** **A**
holding on for love

Bm
You re holding on for life

Bm
holding on for life. You re

Bm **G** **A**
holding on for love

[Instrumental] x2

Bm **Bm** **G** **A**

[Verse 2]

Bm
Light another cigarette,

Bm
Burning in the cold

G **A**
Waiting on the street for your man

Bm
You re trying not to look so

Bm
young & miserable

G **A**
You gotta get your kicks while you can

[Pre-Chorus]

Bm
and in the lighter corner,

Bm
Sitting on your own

Em **F#**
What a lovely day to be lonely

[Chorus]

F#

You re holding on for life

Bm

holding on for life. You re

Bm

G

A

holding on for love

Bm

You re holding on for life

Bm

holding on for life. You re

Bm

G

A

holding on for love

[Bridge]

E

Well you might belong

Cmaj7

To another time

G

A

Still you have to carry on here

E

Cmaj7

No where else to go and you never know

G

A

What to hide and what to show, no.

[Pre-Chorus]

Bm Bm Em F#

[Chorus]

F#

You re holding on for life

Bm

holding on for life. You re

Bm

G

A

holding on for love

Bm

You re holding on for life

Bm

holding on for life. You re

Bm **G** **A**
holding on for love

Bm **Bm** **Em** **F#**