

Keep It

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Chords used:

A: 577655

F#: 244322

E7: x7675x

D: x5777x

C#: x4666x

E: x7999x

A F# E7 D (x2)

A **C#** **F#**
The world lives in your front room

E **E7**
You re sitting happy in gloom

D **A**
Fate worries you, you will not give her room

C# **F#** **E** **E7**
You give credit for might, inspiration and sight,

D **A**
But you miss the point, you won t join in the fight

C# **F#**
You think to use is to lose

F#
So you re clinging, pulling, pleading

D **E**
Try to keep it safe

D **E**
Keep it cosy but it feels so out of place

D **E**
You re feeling a loss but you re not fit to make it

D **E**
You re offered so much but you re frightened to take it.

A F# (x2)

A **C#** **F#** **E** **E7**
It never was really proved, never was understood,

D **A**
But there really is no virtue in the good

C# F# E E7
 They re shouting so loud that they d do better to mine
D A
 You re deafened and you cannot hear the rhyme
C# F#
 But secrets in whispers pull you, try to tempt you

D E
 Try and keep it safe
D E
 Keep it cosy but it feels so out of place
D E
 You re feeling a loss but you re not fit to make it
D E
 You re offered so much but you re not going to take it.

A F# E7 D

A C# F# E E7
 You beg for help and advice, how to handle your life,
D A
 But you dare not move, you cannot pay the price
C# F#
 Chances slip, you just shatter, flatter, forget what matters

D
 Spout your lines, read all your books
E
 You hear the sounds, miss all the hooks
D E
 Your best is what you least understand
D
 You hate the graft, won t join the race,
E
 You re scared to scar your pretty face
D E
 State now cos your head s in the sand.

D E (x6)

A E D E (rpt. til fade)