

So Serious

Electric Light Orchestra (ELO)

Riff 1

e|-----
B|-----
G|-----
D|-----
A|-5--3--2--0-
E|-----

(triplet feel)

Riff 2

e|-----
B|-----
G|-----
D|-3--2--0----
A|-----3-
E|-----

(8th note run)

Riff 3

e|-----
B|-----
G|---0-----
D|-3---3-2-0-2-0---
A|-----3-
E|-----

(16th note run)

Verse:

B F# (riff 1)
Night after night
C#m G#m E F#
I try to make it all fit together
B F# (riff 1)
Night after night
C#m G#m E F#
I see you as someone I remember

Pre-Chorus:

B C#m
You took me by surprise
Eb
Opened up my eyes
E (riff 2)
Now we gotta talk this over.

Chorus:

G#m E F# B
Can it really be so serious?
G#m E F# B
To be all broken up and delirious
B F# G#m E
I guess we've really been out of touch
G#m E F# B
But can it really be so serious?
G#m E F#
(Serious, so serious)

Verse (same as first verse):

Day after day
I know it's not the way that you wanted it
Day after day
I try to find the key, but it don't fit

Pre-Chorus:

But you know how it is

No matter what I did
We gotta talk it over. (riff 3 instead of riff 2)

Chorus:

Can it really be so serious?
To be all broken up and delirious
I guess we've really been out of touch
But can it really be so serious?
(Serious, so serious)

Verse:

Tonight, tonight
I'm thinking over everything you said to me
Tonight, tonight
I'm sorry, but I just didn't see

Pre-Chorus:

And now it's up to you
There's nothing else to do
We've gotta talk it over. (riff 3)

Chorus:

Can it really be so serious?
To be all broken up and delirious
I guess we've really been out of touch
But can it really be so serious?

Ending (use the G#m E F# B progression from chorus):

Serious, so serious
Serious, so serious...