

Nellie Takes Her Bow
Electric Light Orchestra

Nellie Takes Her Bow is from the No Answer album. It was the first ELO Album ever, back when Roy Wood was part of ELO.

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Bb **Bb+** **Gm**
Who thanked the Lord for the clothes that she wore and mended

Bb7 **Eb** **F** **Bb**
Nellie with the big old fashioned eyes

Bb **Bb+** **Gm**
Who won the heart of a crowd tore apart, took a bow

Bb7 **Eb** **F** **Bb**
Nellie there s a different world backstage

(Chorus:)

G# **Ebmaj7**
I see the flood lights burning

G# **Ebmaj7**
I hear the band play on

G# **Gm** **Fm** **Eb** **Eb** **Bb**
Now Nel---lie takes her bow

Bb **Bb+** **Gm**
She said she really could not stay

Bb7 **Eb** **F** **Bb**
Nellie she had a brand new play to play

Bb **Bb+** **Gm** **Bb7**
And so she paints her face and smiles

Eb **F** **Bb**
And she ll be some one else in a while

(Chorus)

Bb

Bb+

Just another lonely girl who could not face a broken world

Gm

And so she acts out all her dreams

Bb7

and wishes that s how it had been

Eb

But when the audience is near

F

Bb

It seems as though she doesn t seem to care

Bb

Bb+

Nellie just sent me a line to tell me she was doing fine

Gm

She got the lead and on Brodway

Bb7

And now they re digging her today

Eb

And as she turns the final page

F

Bb

Living some one s life upon the stage

(Chorus)