

This House Is Empty Now
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Cm7 **Eb/F**
These rooms play tricks upon you
Dsus4 **D/C** **Gm9/Bb**
Remember when they were always filled with laughter?
Cm7 **Eb/F**
But now they re quite deserted
Dsus4 **D/C** **Gm9/Bb**
They seem to just echo voices raised in anger

Ebmaj7
Maybe you will see my face
 Cm9 **Fsus** **F**
Reflected there on the pane
F **E** **Ebmaj7**
In the window of our poor
 Cm9
Forlorn and broken home
Eb/F **F** **Bbmaj7/D**
Still this house is empty now
 Eb/F
There s nothing I can do
 F **Bbmaj7/D** **D7**
To make you want to stay
(**B9**)
So tell me how
 Gm9/Bb
Am I supposed to live without you?

These walls were lined with pictures
Remember the glass we charged in celebration?
But now I fill my life up
With all that I can to deaden this sensation

Do you recognize the face
Fixed in that fine silver frame
Were you really so unhappy then?
You never said

So this house is empty now
There s nothing I can do
To make you want to stay
So tell me how
Am I supposed to live without you?

Cm9 **Eb/F** **Bbmaj7/D**

Oh, if I could just become forgetful

D7 **Gm7**

When night seems endless

Gm7/F Em7b5

Does the extinguished candle care

G/A

About the darkness?

It s funny how my mem ry

Will bring you so close then make you disappear

Meanwhile all our friends must choose

Who they will favour, who they will lose

Hang the garland high or close the door

And throw away the key

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You have to care about

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