

Voice In The Dark
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VOICE IN THE DARK

C **Am7**
Ba ba ba ba ba ba ba
Dm7 **G7**
ba ba ba ba
C **Am7**
ba ba ba ba
Dm7 **G7**
Ba ba ba ba ba

C **Am7**
Ba ba ba ba ba ba ba
Dm7 **G7** | **Am6** | **Am6** Gaug |
ba ba ba

C **A7**
You can read right through a book of matches
Dm7 **G7**
But that won't make you smart
C **C7**
You can laugh in the face of watches
F **Fm**
But time will only break your heart

F **Fm**
Kings reign beneath umbrellas
C **A7**
Hide pennies down in cellars
Dm **A7**
And money pours down and yet
Dm7 **G7**
No everyone gets soaking wet

C **F**
When bores and bullies conspire
E7 **A7**
To stamp out your spark
D7
Listen for
G7 **C**
A Voice In The Dark

C **Am7** **Dm7** **G7**
Not a moment too soon as we blue the moon

C **Am7** **Dm7** **G7**
 And a wolf begins to howl in tune
C **Am7** **Dm7** **G7**
 I announced for all mankind a boon
C **C7**
 Stand aside you big baboon
F
 Now Iâ€™m the a prize invention
Fm
 Youâ€™re the image of yourself
C
 Forget your cares
A7
 And disapproving stares
D7
 Iâ€™m not here to try to jump your borders
G7
 Just ask your nieces and daughters
C **Am7** **Dm7** **G7**
 Iâ€™m flat as sole, Iâ€™m happy as a clam
C **Am7** **Dm7** **G7** [**C** **A/C#** **D7** **G7**]
 But they donâ€™t know the kind of man I am (alt for this line only)
C **Am7** **Dm7** **G7**
 Little fish swimming in a jealous shoal
C **C7**
 Now my net is overflowing
F **Fm**
 And I suddenly seem to be all seeing and all knowing
C
 Iâ€™ve got something right there
A7
 That you might want to hear
D7
 But have no fear
 Lend a hand
 Lend an ear
G7
 If your rent-money is in arrears

C **A7**
 Weâ€™ll be striking up a symphony bandstand
Dm7 **G7**
 Long of hair and loose of tooth
C **C7**
 Thereâ€™ll be pirouettes and startling handstands
F **Fm**
 And who but acrobats know how to tell the truth
F **Fm**
 When is said that then redundant
C **A7**
 They gallivant in peg-leg pants
Dm7

Iâ€™ll be your servant

A7

Youâ€™ll be my pal

Dm7

G7

Iâ€™ll be ever faithful you know I shall

C

F

Thereâ€™s no fool like an old fool

E7

A7

Who blames it all upon his youth

Dm7

G7

When times are tough and you find youâ€™re down

Em7

A7

Without a star to wish upon

D7

G7

C

Just listen for a Voice In The Dark

C

A7

I was striking through a box of matches

Dm7

G7

Hoping that one would spark

C

C7

I heard somebody calling to me

F

A voice in the dark

F

Fm

A sound both wild and gentle

Em7

A7

Daring and confidential

Dm7

A7

I thought there was music playing

Dm7

G7

But it was all and only talk

C

F

E7

A7

When liars and bullies conspire to stamp out your spark

D7

G

Fill up that empty space in your heart

Em7

A7

Listen up, when the herald says, â€œHarkâ€•

D7

G7

C

Believe in just a voice in the darkâ€|