

**Joking**  
**Indigo Girls**

JOKING (Amy Ray)

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(The net result of all the instruments is G Em7 Cadd9 D, which you can play as 320033 022033 x32033 x00232, but actually, Amy just plays G Em C D, or 320003 022000 x32010 x00232. In other words, Amy never plays the D variations; that s Emily s part, way up high on the neck.)

[Intro]

**G Em7 Cadd9 D G Em7 Cadd9 Dsus-D-D(9)-D**

**G Em7**  
You said the world was magic, I was wide-eyed and laughing

**Cadd9 D**  
We were dancing up to the bright side

**G Em7**  
Forget about your ego, forget about your pride

**Cadd9 D D**  
And you will never have to compromise

**G Em7 Cadd9 Dsus-D-D(9)-D**  
And you were only joking, you were only joking, brother

We talked about our mothers, kissed the wounds of our fathers  
I could ve been your sister, I would ve been your brother  
You kissed me like I was a soldier headed for war  
I m a dying man, but I don t know what for [stop]

**G Em7 Cadd9 D**  
And you were only joking, you were only joking, brother  
**G Em7 Cadd9 D**  
You were only joking, you were only joking, brother  
(Wide-eyed and laughing) (Dancing...)

[Guitar Solo]

**G Em7 Cadd9 D G Em7 Cadd9 D G Em7 Cadd9 D**

Gravel and glass on the bottom of my feet  
I bruised my heels on the swollen street  
We were girls in bars, boys on the town  
Bumping like a pinball off a careless crowd

You said good friends are hard to come by  
I laughed and bought you a beer, it s too corny to cry  
Well, sentiment given or sentiment lost  
You shake it off with a smirk and a toss [stop]

**G Em7 Cadd9 D**

And you were only joking, you were only joking, brother

**G Em7 Cadd9 D**

You were only joking, you were only joking, brother

**G Em7 Cadd9 D**

And you were only joking, you were only joking, brother  
(Gravel and glass...) (I bruised my heels...)

**G Em7 Cadd9 D**

You were joking, you were only joking, brother  
(You kissed me like a soldier...) (I m a dying man...)

**G Em7 Cadd9 D**

And you were only joking, you were only joking, brother  
(...dying man, but I don t know what for...)

**D D [stop]**

And you were only, and you were only, and you were only

**G Em7 Cadd9 Dsus-D-D(9)-D G [stop] N.C.**

Joking, brother One two three four...

[Instrumental]

**G Em7 Cadd9 D G Em7 Cadd9 D**

**G Em7 Cadd9 D**

Sha-la, sha-la, sha-la, sha-la

**G Em7 Cadd9 D**

Sha-la, sha-la, sha-la, sha-la  
(Wide-eyed and laughing) (Dancing up to the bright side)

[repeat and fade]

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