

Least Complicated
Indigo Girls

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LEAST COMPLICATED (Emily Saliers)

[Emily plays this in A with no capo; Amy plays it in G with a capo on the second fret. Note that I wrote down Amy s chords, even though in the intro, and in parts of the first verse and last verse, Amy doesn t even play (that s why those chords are in parentheses). So, if you want to play Emily s chords, transpose everything up a whole step. Emily s picking pattern for the intro and first and last verse is at the end.]

[Each chord is half a measure. I think Amy plays C/G as 3x2013.]

[You can play the melody in the mandolin parts by playing G7 (320001) instead of G; use your index finger and pinky to find the melody.]

(G) (C/G) (G) (G) (G) (C/G) (G) (G)
[intro]

(G) (C/G) (G) (G)
I sit two stories above the street
(G) (C/G) (G) (G)
It s awful quiet here since love fell asleep
Am G/B
There s life down below me though
C D G C/G G G
The kids are walking home from school

G C/G G G
So long ago when we were taught
G C/G G G
That for whatever kind of puzzle you ve got
Am G/B
You just stick the right formula in
C D G C/G G G
A solution for every fool

I remember the time when I came so close to you
 Sent me skipping my class and running from school
 And I bought you that ring cause I never was cool
 What makes me think I could start clean slated
 The hardest to learn was the least complicated [mandolin]

Oh I just sit up in the house and resist
 And not be seen until I cease to exist
 A kind of conscientious objection
 A kind of dodging the draft

The boy and girl are holding hands on the street
 And I don't want to but I think you just wait
 It's more than just eye-to-eye
 Learn the things I could never apply

And I remember the time when I came so close with you
 I let everything go it seemed the only truth
 And I bought you that ring; it seemed the thing to do
 What makes me think I could start clean slated
 The hardest to learn was the least complicated
 So what makes me think I could start clean slated
 The hardest to learn was the least complicated

Ohhhhhh, I'm just a mirror of a mirror of myself
 All the things that I do
 And the next time I fall, I'm gonna have to recall
 It isn't love, it's only something new

(G) (C/G) (G) (G)
 I sit two stories above the street
 (G) (C/G) (G) (G)
 It s awful quiet here since love fell asleep
 Am7 G/B
 There s life down below me though
 C D G C/G G G
 The kids are walking home from school

 D D C(9) C(9)
 And I remember the time when I came so close with you
 G G Am7 Am7
 Sent me skipping my class and running from school
 C C D [tacet]
 And I bought you that ring cause I never was cool
 G D C
 What makes me think I could start clean slated
 C D D G G
 The hardest to learn was the least complicated
 G D C
 So what makes me think I could start clean slated
 C D [tacet] G C/G G G
 The hardest to learn was the least complicated [mandolin]
 G C/G G G
 Least complicated
 G [tacet; single notes: F-F-F-E-D, D-E-F-F-F-E-D-C-D etc.]
 Least complicated (Na naa, na na na naaaaa...)

EMILY S PICKING PATTERN:

A	Asus4	A	Asus9	A	Asus9
E -----	-----0-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
B -----2-----	2=3-----3-----	-----0-----	0=2---0-----0-	-----	-----
G -----2-----	-----2-----	-----2-----2-	-----2-----	-----	-----
D ----2-----2---	----2-----2---	----2-----2---	----2-----2---	----2-----2---	----2-----2---
A 0-----0-----	0-----0-----	0-----0-----	0-----0-----	0-----0-----	0-----0-----
E -----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
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