

If You Could Read My Mind
Johnny Cash

E
If you could read my mind, love
D
What a tale my thoughts could tell.

E
Just like an old time movie,
D
Bout a ghost from a wishing well.

E **E7**
In a castle dark,
A **B** **C#m**
Or a fortress strong, with chains around my feet.

A **E**
You know that ghost is me,
A **E**
And I will never be set free,
A **B** **E**
As long as there's a ghost that you can't see.

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If i could read your mind, love,
D
What a tale your thoughts would tell.

E
Just like a paperback novel,
D
The kind the drugstores sell.

E **E7**
When you reached the part
A **B** **C#m**
Where the heartaches come, the hero would be me.

A **E**
But heroes often fail.
A **E**
And you won't read that book again,
A **B** **E**
Because the ending's just too hard to take.

E **D** **E** **D** **E** **D**

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I'd walk away
A **B** **C#m**
Like a movie star, who gets burned in a three-way script.

A **E**
Enter number two:
A **E**

A movie queen to play the scene

A

B

E

Of bringing all the good things out in me

A

E

But for now, love, let s be real.

A

E

I never thought, I could act this way.

A

B

And I ve got to say that I just don t get it.

A

E

I don t know where we went wrong,

A

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But the feeling s gone, and I just can t get it back.

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But stories always end

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If you read between the lines

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Tou?ll know that I?m just trying to understand

A

E

The feelings that you lack

A

E

I never thought I could feel this way

A

B

and I?ve got to say that I just don?t get it

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E D E D E fade