

**Cardiac Arrest
Madness**

...CARDIAC ARREST... by Madness
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from Seven (1981)

Intro:

Em,
Am G F F/E, Dm E Am (x2)

Verse 1:

Am Em F F Em Am
Papers in the morning, Bowler Hat on head.
Am Em F F Em Am
Walking to the bus stop; he s longing for his bed.
Am Em F F Em Am
Waiting with his neighbours, in the rush hour queue.
Am Em F F Em Am
Got to get the first bus; so much for him to do.

Bridge 1:

Em G F#m A
He s got to hurry, got to get his seat.
Em G F#m A
Can t miss his place; got to rest his feet.

Verse 2:

Am Em F
Ten more minutes till he gets there;
F Em Am
The crossword s nearly done.
Am Em F F Em Am
It s been so hard these days; not nearly so much fun.
Am Em F F Em Am
His mind wanders to the office, his telephone, desk and chair.
Am Em F F Em Am
He s been happy with the company; they ve treated him real fair.

Bridge 2:

Em G F#m A
Think of seven letters, be-gin and end in C .
Em G F#m A

Like a big A-merican car, but mis-spelt with a D .

Break:

G **Bb** **Am7**
I wish this bus d get a move on; driver s taking his time.
G **Bb** **Am7**
I just don t know, I ll be late; oh dear, what will the boss say?
G
Pull yourself together now, don t get in a state.

Chorus 1:

Am **Dm** **G** **C**
Don t you worry; there s no hurry.
Am **Dm** **G** **C**
It s a lovely day; it could all be going your way.
Am **Dm** **G** **C**
Take the doc s ad-vice; let up, enjoy your life.
Am **Dm** **G** **C** **B, Gdim**
Listen to what they say; it s not a game they play.

Interlude:

Am G F F/E, Dm E Am (x4)

Verse 3:

Am **Em** **F** **F** **Em** **Am**
Never get there at this rate; he s caught up in a jam.
Am **Em** **F** **F** **Em** **Am**
There s a meeting this morning; it s just his luck, oh damn!
Am **Em** **F** **F** **Em** **Am**
His hand dives in his pocket, for his handker-chief.
Am **Em** **F** **F** **Em** **Am**
Pearls of sweat on his collar; his pulse-beat seems so brief.

Bridge 3:

Em **G** **F#m** **A**
Eyes fall on his wristwatch; the seconds pass real slow.
Em **G** **F#m** **A**
Gasping for the hot air, but the chest pain; it won t go.

Break:

G **Bb** **Am7**
Tried to ask for help, but can t seem to speak a word.
G **Bb** **Am7**
Words are whispered frantically, but don t seem to be heard.
G
What about the wife and kids? They all depend on me!

Chorus 2:

Am **Dm** **G** **C**
We re so sorry; we told you not to hurry.
Am **Dm** **G** **C**
Now it s just too late; you ve got a certain date.
Am **Dm** **G** **C**
We thought we made it clear? We all voiced our inner fears.
Am **Dm** **G** **C** **B**
We left it up to you; there s nothing we can do.

Chorus 3:

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Am **Dm** **G** **C**
It s a lovely day; it could all be going your way.
Am **Dm** **G** **C**
Take the doc s ad-vice; let up, enjoy your life.
Am **Dm** **G** **C** **B**
Listen to what they say; it s not a game they play.

(Repeat to Fade)

CHORD DIAGRAMS:

Em	Am	G	F	F/E	Dm	E
EADGBE 022000	EADGBE x02210	EADGBE 320003	EADGBE 133211	EADGBE xx2010	EADGBE xx0231	EADGBE 022100
F#m	A	Bb	Am7	C	B	Gdim
EADGBE 244222	EADGBE x02220	EADGBE x13331	EADGBE x02013	EADGBE x32010	EADGBE x24442	EADGBE xx2323

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