

Hitchhiker
Neil Young

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Em7

When I was a hitchhiker on the road I had to count on you

D **Em7**

But you needed me to ease the load and for conversation too

D **C** **Em**

Or did you just ride on through

You didn't see me in Toronto when I first tried out some hash
Smoked through a pen and I'd do it again if I only had some cash
I only had some cash

Then I tried amphetamines and my head was in a glass
Taped underneath the speedometer wires of my '48 Buick's dash
But I knew that wouldn't last

CHORUS #1:

C **G** **C** **G**
Then came California, where I first saw open water

C **Em7** **D** **Em7**

In the land of opportunity, I knew I was getting hotter

D **C**

I knew I was getting hotter

The neon lights and the endless nights
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They took me by surprise
The doctor gave me valium but I still couldn't close my eyes
I still couldn't close my eyes

CHORUS #2:

Then came paranoia and it ran away with me
I couldn't sign my autograph or appear on TV
Or see or be seen, see or be seen
Or see or be seen

G

Living in the country sounded good to me

D **Em**

Smoking grass while the summer lasts in the real organic scene

D **C** **Am** **Em**

Where everything was green, everything was green

Then we had a kid and we split apart, I was living on the road
A little cocaine went a long long way to ease that different load
But my head did explode, my head did explode

CHORUS #3:

I wish I was an Aztec or a runner in Peru
I would build such beautiful buildings to house the chosen few
Like an Inca from Peru

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Or did you just ride on through, did you just ride on through
Did you just ride on through

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