

Slowburn

Peter Gabriel

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Key: E-flat major, Time: 4/4, Tempo: 135

Intro:

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|| Eb ||

| Bb || Eb | | Bb | /C /D || (X 2)

Verse 1: (0:28-)

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|| Eb |  
We re character actors from the Tower of Babel

| Bb | /C /D  
Be-wildered, burned out hard-ly able

| Eb |  
To sit astride the high wire cable

| Bb | /C Bb ||  
It s hard to balance, a little un-sta-ble.

| Abmaj7 | Ab |  
Through broken eyes and contact lenses  
I Watched you draw your future tenses

| Bbmaj7 | Bb |  
See kisses of flame blow out of your lips

| Bbmaj7 | Bb ||  
You re back telling me your A-pocalypse.

Chorus 1: (0:57-)

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| Ab | Bb | Cm |  
Don t get me wrong, (yeah) I ll be strong  
| Gm | F Bb || 6/8  
When the slowburn sunset come along

| Ab | Bb || 4/4 Eb ||  
You ve gotta stay the night

| Gm | F Bb || 6/8

| Ab | Bb || 4/4 Db ||  
I gotta think that you might.

Interlude: (1:18-)

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| **Bb** | | **Eb** | | **Bb** | | /C /D || (X 2)

[Verse 2] (1:33-)

We ve tried a handful of bills and a handful of pills  
We ve tried making movies from a volume of stills  
The words fell like hailstones, bouncing at our feet,  
Covering our feelings with a frozen sheet.

A chance to move, I take a shot  
I get cold - you get hot  
We look outside, lyin awake  
See birds breaking surface on a silent lake.

[Chorus 2] (2:02-)

But don t get me wrong, (yeah) I ll be strong  
When I m back on the Isle of Avalon

Dont get me wrong, (yeah) I ll be strong  
When the slow burn sunset come along  
You ve got to stay the night  
I ve got to think that you might.

Coda: (2:40-)

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| **Fm** | | **Gm**  
Don t try to make it easy,  
| **Ab** | | **Bb Bbsus4** | 3/4 || 4/4  
It ll cut you down to size  
| **Fm** | | **Gm**  
Darlin we ve got to trust in something  
| **Ab** | | **Bb Bbsus4** | 3/4 ||  
We re shooting down our skies

|| 3/4 **Ab** || (X 7 bars)

| 4/4 **G#m** | | **C#m** | **G#m** | | **C#m** | |  
Shooting down, shooting down our

|| **Fm** | **Gm** | **Ab** | **Bb** || (X 2)  
Skies...

| **Fm** | | **Gm** | **Ab** | | 7/4 **Bb Bbsus4** | | 4/4

| **Fm** | | **Gm** | **Ab** | |

Shooting down our...

||Bb7 ||