

Only Sixteen

Sam Cooke

...ONLY SIXTEEN... by Sam Cooke

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CAPO 1st FRET

(Original Key: **Ab**)

Intro:

D13

Verse 1:

G Em C D Am7 D7 G
She... was only six-teen, only six-teen, I loved her so.
G Em C D Am7 D7 G
But she was too young to fall in love, and I was too young to know.

Verse 2:

G Em C D
We d laugh and we d sing, and do the little things,
Am7 D7 G
That made my heart glow.
G Em C D Am7 D7 G
But she was too young to fall in love, and I was too young to know.

Bridge 1:

Am7 D7 G Em
Why did I give my heart so fast?
Am7 D7 G
It never will happen a-gain.
Am7 D7 G Em
But I was a mere lad of six-teen;
A7 D7
I ve aged a year since then.

Verse 3:

G Em C D Am7 D7 G
She was only six-teen, only six-teen, with eyes that would glow.
G Em C D Am7 D7 G

But she was too young to fall in love, and I was too young to know.

Bridge 2:

Am7 **D7** **G** **Em**
(Then why did you give your heart so fast?)
Am7 **D7** **G**
It never will happen a-gain.
Am7 **D7** **G** **Em**
(But you were a mere lad of six-teen);
A7 **D7**
I ve aged a year since then.

Verse 4:

G **Em** **C** **D** **Am7** **D7** **G**
She was only six-teen, only six-teen, with eyes that would glow.
G **Em** **C** **D** **Am7** **D7** **G**
But she was too young to fall in love, and I was too young to know.
G **Em** **C** **D** **Am7** **D7** **G**
But she was too young to fall in love, and I was too young to know.
G **Em** **C** **D** **Am7** **D7** **G**
She was too young to fall in love, and I was too young to know.

(Fade)

CHORD DIAGRAMS:

D13	G	Em	C	D	Am7	D7
EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE
xx7757	320003	022000	x32010	xx0232	x02013	xx0212

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