

Deadly Nightshade
Strawbs

[Intro]

Am Dm Am Dm G x4

[Verse]

Am
The silent prophet
Dm E7 Am
Seeks his inspiration after midnight
G E7
With a candle lit for comfort
Am Dm G
In the shadow of the shade

[Verse]

Am
Belladonna
Dm E7 Am
Waves a parasol beneath the window
G E7
So enchanting and inviting
Am Dm
In the scheme that she has laid

[Instrumental]

Am G Am Bm Am G E7

[Verse]

Am
The lonely prophet
Dm E7 Am
Waves to Belladonna from the window
G E7
In the hope that she will notice
Am Dm G
And may wish to know his name

[Verse]

Am Dm
But cruel Belladonna
E7 Am
Turns to face the waiting sunrise
G E7
With its promise of excitement
Am Dm G
Thinking little of the game

[Chorus 1]

Am **Bm**
Shine your lantern brightly
C **Bm**
Do not heed the darkness lightly
Am **Bm**
We must always talk politely
C **E7**
In the presence of the night

[Chorus 2]

Am
Deadly nightshade
Dm
Hear me calling
Am **Dm**
Shadows of the evening
Am
Falling down

[Instrumental]

Am Dm Am Dm G
Am Dm Am Dm G

[Verse]

Am
The quiet prophet
Dm **E7** **Am**
Gathers up his papers for the fire
G **E7**
He alone will read the message
Am **Dm** **G**
In the words that he has burned

[Verse]

Am **Dm**
Belladonna tries the door
E7 **Am**
To find the room is empty
G **E7**
And she coldly rakes the ashes
Am **Dm** **G**
For the love that she has spurned

[Chorus 1]

Am **Bm**
Shine your lantern brightly
C **Bm**
Do not heed the darkness lightly
Am **Bm**
We must always talk politely
C **E7**
In the presence of the night

[Chorus 2]

Am

Deadly nightshade

Dm

Hear me calling

Am **Dm**

Shadows of the evening

Am

Falling down

[Instrumental]

Am Dm Am Dm G x2

[Chorus 2]

Am

Deadly nightshade

Dm

Hear me calling

Am **Dm**

Shadows of the evening

Am

Falling down

[Outro]

Am Dm Am Dm G

Am Dm Am Dm G Am