

**Its No Good Trying**  
**Syd Barrett**

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IT S NO GOOD TRYING - Syd Barrett  
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(This is the solo acoustic version found on Track 15 of  
"The Madcap Laughs" disc of the Crazy Diamond box set. It was  
recorded on 11th April, 1969, at Abbey Road Studios, London.  
It s virtually the same chords that he played on "No Good Trying"  
on the original "The Madcap Laughs" album, but the bass on that  
track implies slightly different chords and spacings. All the  
chords on this version are to be played as standard E-form  
barre(tt) chords. Just adlib during the E section between each  
verse for a random number of bars...)

[tab]        **G**  
It s no good trying to place your hand[/tab]  
[tab]                                **D**  
where I can t see because I understand[/tab]  
[tab]                                **A**  
that you re different from me[/tab]  
  
yes I can tell  
[tab]                                **D**  
that you can t be what you pretend[/tab]  
[tab]                                **G**  
and you re rocking me backwards[/tab]  
[tab]                                **A#**  
and you re rocking towards the[/tab]  
[tab]**C**                                **D**  
red and yellow mane of a stallion horse.[/tab]

**E**

[tab]        **G**  
It s no good trying to hold your love[/tab]  
[tab]                                **D**  
where I can t see because I understand[/tab]

[tab]                   **A**  
that you re different from me[/tab]

yes I can tell

[tab]   **D**  
that you can t be what you pretend[/tab]

[tab]           **G**   **A#**  
the caterpillar hood won t cover the head of[/tab]

[tab]           **C**   **D**  
you know you should be home in bed.[/tab]

**E**

[tab]           **G**  
It s no good holding your sequin fan[/tab]

[tab]   **D**  
where I can t see because I understand[/tab]

[tab]   **A**  
that you re different from me[/tab]

yes I can tell

[tab]   **D**  
that you can t be what you pretend[/tab]

[tab]   **G**   **A#**  
yes you re spinning around and around in a car[/tab]

[tab]           **C**   **D**  
with electric lights flashing very fast...[/tab]

**E**

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