

Im Listening
Tenth Avenue North

[Intro]

G Em

[Verse 1]

Em

Why didn't anyone believe

D C

A single word when you said it was

G D C

It was your father's friend

Em

Yeah, only fourteen, life goes on

D C

Who knows, you probably brought this on yourself

G D C

It's better not to tell

[Chorus]

G Em D G

Mother, mother, how many tears have you cried?

Em D C D

Mother, I will listen to you tonight to the truth

G Em D G

Mother, how many years before you could breathe?

Em D C

Mother, I won't turn away when you speak

D Em D Em

I'm listening, I'm listening

[Verse 2]

Em

To a daughter now it happens too

G D C

Freshman year, he's waiting in your bed

G D C

Suppose to be a friend

Em

You tried to forget the way you felt

D C

You fought, but he forced himself on you

G D C

He left you black and blue

[Chorus]

G **Em** **D** **G**
Sister, why did nobody trust your cries?
Em **D** **C** **D**
Sister, I will listen to you tonight to the truth
G **Em** **D** **G**
Sister, you are braver than you believed
Em **D** **C**
Together we will find a way to healing
D **Em** **D** **Em**
I m listening, I m listening

[Bridge]

Em **D**
And brother, where could you go?
C
Honestly, we don t know what to do
Am
When a teacher takes what he took from you
Em **G**
And brother, where could you run?
C
Shame turned you silent and made a prison
Am
Could you learn to speak again
C **Am**
If we were only listening?

[Chorus]

G **Em** **D** **G**
Brother, there is freedom for you to cry
Em **D** **C** **D**
Brother, I will listen to you tonight to the truth
G **Em** **D** **G**
Brother, I pray you can begin to breathe
G **Em** **D** **C**
Brother, please don t, don t be afraid to speak
D **Em** **D** **Am**
I m listening, I m listening,
G **C** **D**
I m listening, I m listening

I m listening