

A Letter to Elise
The Cure

Intro:

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E | --0-0-0-0-0-----
B | -----2-2-2-0h2-2-----
G | -----
D | -----
A | -----
E | -----

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E | -----
B | -0h2-3-3--3-3-3-3s2-----0---
G | -----2-2-----
D | -----
A | -----
E | -----

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Intro 3x: Bb F Gm Eb

Bb F
 Oh Elise it doesn t matter what you say
 Gm
 I just can t stay here every yesterday
 Eb
 Like keep on acting out the same the way we act out
 Bb F
 Every way to smile, forget, and make-believe we never needed
 Gm Eb
 Any more than this, any more than this

(Bb F Gm Eb) (2x)

Bb F
 Oh Elise it doesn t matter what you do
 Gm
 I know I ll never really get inside of you
 Eb
 To make your eyes catch fire the way they should
 Bb F
 The way the blue could pull me in, If they only would, if they only would
 Gm Eb
 At least I d lose this sense of sensing something else

That hides away

Bb
 From me and you there re worlds to part
 F
 With aching looks and breaking hearts

Gm
And all the prayers your hands can make
Eb Bb
Oh I just take as much as you can throw
F
And then throw it all away
Gm
Oh I throw it all away
Eb
Like throwing faces at the sky
F
Like throwing arms round yesterday I stood and stared
Gm
Wide-eyed in front of you
F
And the face I saw looked back
Gm
The way I wanted to
F Gm
But I just can't hold my tears away the way you do

G# Gm
Elise believe I never wanted this
G# Gm
I thought this time I'd keep all of my promises
G# Gm
I thought you were the girl always dreamed about

G# Gm
But I let the dream go, and the promises broke

And the make-believe ran out...

Solo: F Gm 3x

F Eb

Bb F Gm Eb 3x

Bb F
Oh elise it doesn't matter what you say
Gm
I just can't stay here every yesterday
Eb
Like keep on acting out the same

The way we act out
Bb
Every way to smile, forget,
F
And make-believe we never needed

Gm
Any more than this
Eb
Any more than this

Bb F
And every time I try to pick it up

Like falling sand

Gm
As fast as I pick it up
Eb

It runs away through my clutching hands
Bb

But there s nothing else I can really do

F
There s nothing else I can really do

Gm
There s nothing else

Eb
I can really do at all...