

A Letter to Elise
The Cure

Intro:

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

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

Intro 3x: B F# G#m E

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

(B F# G#m E) (2x)

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

That hides away

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

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

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

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

And the make-believe ran out...

Solo: F# G#m 3x

F# E

B F# G#m E 3x

B F#
Oh elise it doesn't matter what you say
G#m
I just can't stay here every yesterday
E
Like keep on acting out the same

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

G#m
Any more than this
E
Any more than this

B F#
And every time I try to pick it up

Like falling sand

G#m
As fast as I pick it up

E
It runs away through my clutching hands

B
But there s nothing else I can really do

F#
There s nothing else I can really do

G#m
There s nothing else

E
I can really do at all...