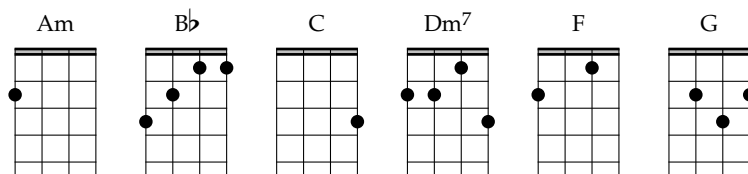


# If You Could Read My Mind - Gordon Lightfoot



## Intro

C C

## Verse 1

[C] If you could read my mind love, [Bb] what a tale my thoughts could tell  
[C] Just like an old time movie, [Bb] about a ghost from a wishing well  
[C] In a castle dark or a [F] fortress strong, with [G] chains upon my [Am] feet  
You [F] know that ghost is [C] me – And [F] I will never [C] be set free  
As [Dm7] long as I'm a [G] ghost that you can't [C] see [C]

## Verse 2

[C] If I could read your mind love, [Bb] what a tale your thoughts could tell  
[C] Just like a paperback novel, [Bb] the kind that drugstores sell  
[C] When you reach the part where the [F] heartaches come  
The [G] hero would be [Am] me, but [F] heroes often [C] fail  
And [F] you won't read that [C] book again  
Be [Dm7] cause the ending's [G] just too hard to [C] take

## Verse 3 (starts instrumentally!)

C Bb

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[C] I'd walk away like a [F] movie star  
Who gets [G] burned in a three way [Am] script  
[F] Enter number [C] two: a [F] movie queen to [C] play the scene  
Of [Dm7] bringing all the [G] good things out in [C] me  
But for [F] now love, let's be [C] real  
I [F] never thought I could [C] act this way  
and I've [Dm7] got to say that I [G] just don't get it  
[F] I don't know where [C] we went wrong  
But the [Dm7] feeling's gone and I [G] just can't get it [C] back

## Instrumental

C C

## Verse 4

[C] If you could read my mind love, [Bb] what a tale my thoughts could tell  
[C] Just like an old time movie, [Bb] about a ghost from a wishing well  
[C] In a castle dark or a [F] fortress strong, with [G] chains upon my [Am] feet  
But [F] stories always [C] end – and [F] if you read be [C] tween the lines  
You'll [Dm7] know that I'm just [G] trying to under [C] stand  
The [F] feelings that you [C] lack  
[F] I never thought I could [C] feel this way  
and I've [Dm7] got to say that I [G] just don't get it  
[F] I don't know where [C] we went wrong, but the [Dm7] feeling's gone  
And I [G] just can't get it [C] back

## Outro

C Bb C/