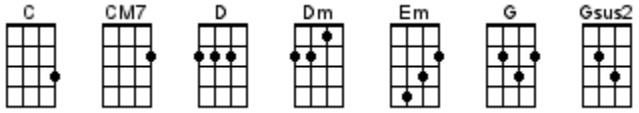
If You Could Read My Mind v1

Gordon Lightfoot 1970



Lead talk about [G] to [Gsus2]

Intro: [G] [Gsus2] [G] [Gsus2]
[G] If you could **[Gsus2]** read my mind love **[Dm]** What a tale my
[Dm] thoughts could tell **[G]** Just like an **[Gsus2]** old time movie
[Dm] 'Bout a ghost from a **[Dm]** wishing well
[G] In a castle **[G]** dark, or a **[C]** fortress strong
With **[D]** chains upon my **[Em]** feet. You **[C]** know that ghost is **[G]** me
And **[C]** I will never **[G]** be set free
As **[CM7]** long as I'm a **[D]** ghost, you can't **[G]** see **[Gsus2]**

[G] If I could **[Gsus2]** read your mind love
[Dm] What a tale your **[Dm]** thoughts could tell
[G] Just like a **[Gsus2]** paperback novel
[Dm] The kind the **[Dm]** drugstores sell
[G] When you reach the **[G]** part, where the **[C]** heartaches come
The **[D]** hero would be **[Em]** me, but **[C]** heroes often **[G]** fail
And **[C]** you won't read that **[G]** book again
Be-**[CM7]**cause the ending's **[D]** just too hard to **[G]** take **[Gsus2]**
[Dm] [Dm] [G] [Gsus2] [Dm] [Dm]

[G] I'd walk away, like a **[C]** movie star, Who gets
[D] burned in a three-way **[Em]** script **[C]** Enter number
[G] two. A **[C]** movie queen to **[G]** play the scene
Of **[CM7]** bringing all the **[D]** good things out in **[Em]** me
But for **[C]** now love, let's be **[G]** real
I **[C]** never thought I could **[G]** act this way
And I've **[CM7]** got to say that I **[D]** just don't get it
[C] I don't know where **[G]** we went wrong
But the **[CM7]** feeling's gone
And I **[D]** just can't get it **[G]** back **[Gsus2] [G] [Gsus2]**

[G] If you could **[Gsus2]** read my mind love
[Dm] What a tale my **[Dm]** thoughts could tell
[G] Just like an **[Gsus2]** old time movie
[Dm] 'Bout a ghost from a **[Dm]** wishing well
[G] In a castle **[G]** dark, or a **[C]** fortress strong
With **[D]** chains upon my **[Em]** feet
The **[C]** stories always **[G]** end. **[C]** If you read be-**[G]**tween the lines
You'll **[CM7]** know that I'm just **[D]** trying to under-**[Em]**stand
The **[C]** feelings that we **[G]** lack
I **[C]** never thought I could **[G]** feel this way
And I've **[CM7]** got to say that I **[D]** just don't get it
[C] I don't know where **[G]** we went wrong
But the **[CM7]** feeling's gone and I **[D]** just can't get it **[G]** back

Outro: [Gsus2] [Dm] [Dm] [G↓]