

# Piano Man

Billy Joel 1973

## INTRO: / 1 2 3 / 1 2 3

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He says, [G] "Son can you [D] play me a [C] memory [G]  
I'm [C] not really [G] sure how it [A7] goes [D]  
But it's [G] sad and it's [D] sweet and I [C] knew it complete [G]  
When [C] I wore a [D] younger man's [G] clothes" [G]

## BRIDGE:

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Now [G] John at the [D] bar is a [C] friend of mine [G]  
He [C] gets me my [G] drinks for free [A7] / [D]  
And he's [G] quick with a [D] joke or to [C] light up your [G] smoke  
But there's [C] someplace that [D] he'd rather [G] be [G]/[C]/[C]

He says [G] "Bill, I be-[D]lieve this is [C] killing me"[G]  
As the [C] smile ran a-[G]way from his [A7] face [D]  
"Well I'm [G] sure that I [D] could be a [C] movie star [G]  
If [C] I could get [D] out of this [G] place"[G]

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Now [G] Paul is a [D] real estate [C] novelist [G]  
Who [C] never had time [G] for a [A7] wife [D]  
And he's [G] talking with [D] Davey who's [C] still in the [G] Navy  
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And the [G] waitress is [D] practicing [C] politics [G]  
As the [C] businessmen [G] slowly gets [A7] stoned [D]  
Yes they're [G] sharing a [D] drink they call [C] loneliness [G]  
But it's [C] better than [D] drinking a-[G]lone [G]

### INSTRUMENTAL BRIDGE:

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It's a [G] pretty good [D] crowd for a [C] Saturday [G]  
And the [C] manager [G] gives me a [A7] smile [D]  
'Cause he [G] knows that it's [D] me they've been [C] coming to [G] see  
To for-[C]get about [D] life for a-[G]while [G]/[C]/[C]

And the [G] piano it [D] sounds like a [C] carnival [G]  
And the [C] microphone [G] smells like a [A7] beer [D]  
And they [G] sit at the bar [D] and put [C] bread in my [G] jar  
And say [C] "Man, what are [D] you doing [G] here" [G]

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