

# What A Fool Believes (A → C)

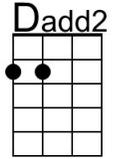
Michael McDonald & Kenny Loggins, 1978

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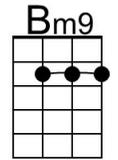
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## Intro

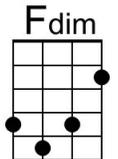
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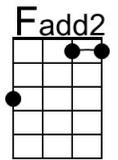
Fadd2 E7 Dadd2 A  
 \_\_\_\_\_ He came from somewhere back in her long ago  
 Bm9 C#m7 Dadd2 Fdim F#m7 Fadd2 E7 Dadd2  
 \_\_\_\_\_ The sen - ti - men - tal fool don't see, tryin' hard to recre-ate  
 A Bm9 C#m7 Dadd2 Fdim F#m7  
 What had yet to be created \_\_\_\_\_ once in her life.



Fadd2 E7 Dadd2 A  
 She musters a smile \_\_\_\_\_ for his nostalgic tale,  
 Bm9 C#m7 Dadd2 Fdim F#m7 Fadd2 E7 - Dadd2  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Never com - in' near what he wanted to say  
 A Bm9 C#m7 Dadd2 Fdim F#m7  
 Only to realize \_\_\_\_\_ it never real - ly was.

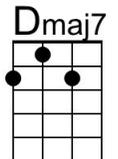


F#m7 | E7 | E7 | F#m7 | E7  
 She had a place in his life. He never made her think twice.  
 Bm7 Dmaj7 Amaj7 - G7

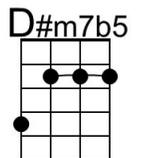


As he rises to her a-pology,  
 F#7 Bm7 Dmaj7 F#m7 D#m7b5  
 An- y -body else would surely know . . . he's watching her go.

Dm7 | % | Fadd2  
 But what a fool be-lieves, he sees,  
 C | C Am7 | F  
 No wise man has the power . . . to reason a - way.  
 C Dm7 Fadd2 C | C  
 What seems . . . to be . . . is always better than nothing.



Am7  
 And nothing at all keeps sending him



Baritone

Dadd2	Bm9	Fdim7	Fadd2	Dmaj7	D#m7b5

**E7 Dadd2 A**  
 Somewhere back in her long ago,  
**Bm9 C#m7 Dadd2 Fdim F#m7 Fadd2 E7 - Dadd2**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Where he can still be-lieve there's a place in her life  
**A Bm9 C#m7 Dadd2 Fdim F#m7 | F#m7 |**  
 Some-day, somewhere \_\_\_\_\_ she will re - turn.

**F#m7 | E7 | E7 | F#m7 | E7**  
 She had a place in his life. He never made her think twice.

**Bm7 Dmaj7 Amaj7 - G7**  
 As he rises to her a-pology,  
**F#7 Bm7 Dmaj7 F#m7 D#m7b5**  
 An- y -body else would surely know . . . he's watching her go.

**Dm7 | % | Fadd2**  
 But what a fool be-lieves, he sees,  
**C | C Am7 | F**  
 No wise man has the power . . . to reason a-way.  
**C Dm7 Fadd2 C | C**  
 What seems . . . to be . . . is always better than nothing.

**Am7**  
 And nothing at all.

**Outro (2x then 'Instrumental Close')**

**||: F Dm7 | Dm7 | Fadd9 | Fadd9**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ What a fool be-lieves, he sees  
**C | C Am7 | F**  
 No wise man has the power to reason a-way.  
**F↓↓ C Dm7 | Dm7 Fadd9 | C**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ What seems . . . to be is always better than nothing.  
**Am7**  
 And nothing at all. **:||**

**Instrumental Close**

**| F F C Dm7 | Dm7 | C G F C**

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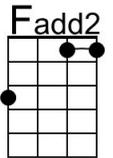
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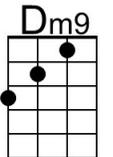
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## Intro

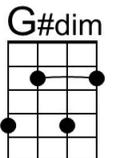
G7 Fadd2 C | C | Dm9 Em7 Fadd2 G#dim Am7 |



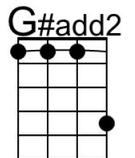
Ab9 G7 Fadd2 C  
 \_\_\_ He came from somewhere back in her long ago  
 Dm9 Em7 Fadd2 G#dim Am7 Ab9 G7 Fadd2  
 \_\_\_ The sen - ti - men - tal fool don't see, tryin' hard to recre-ate  
 C Dm9 Em7 Fadd2 G#dim Am7  
 What had yet to be created \_\_\_ once in her life.



Ab9 G7 Fadd2 C  
 She musters a smile \_\_\_ for his nostalgic tale,  
 Dm9 Em7 Fadd2 G#dim Am7 Ab9 G7 - Fadd2  
 \_\_\_ Never com - in' near what he wanted to say  
 C Dm9 Em7 Fadd2 G#dim Am7  
 Only to realize \_\_\_ it never real - ly was.

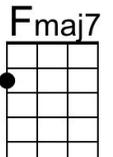


Am7 | G7 | G7 | Am7 | G7  
 She had a place in his life. He never made her think twice.  
 Dm7 Fmaj7 Cmaj7 - Bb7

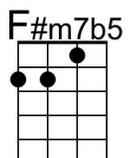


As he rises to her apology,  
 A7 Dm7 Fmaj7 Am7 F#m7b5  
 An- y -body else would surely know . . . he's watching her go.

Fm7 | % | Abadd9  
 But what a fool be-lieves, he sees,  
 Eb | Eb Cm7 | Ab  
 No wise man has the power . . . to reason a-way.  
 Eb Fm7 Abadd9 Eb | Eb  
 What seems . . . to be . . . is always better than nothing.



Cm7  
 And nothing at all keeps sending him



Baritone

**G7** **Fadd2** **C**  
Somewhere back in her long ago,  
**Dm9 Em7** **Fadd2** **G#dim** **Am7** **Ab9** **G7 - Fadd2**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Where he can still be-lieve there's a place in her life  
**C** **Dm9 Em7 Fadd2 G#dim Am7 | Am7 |**  
Some-day, somewhere \_\_\_\_\_ she will re - turn.

**Am7 | G7 | G7 | Am7 | G7**  
She had a place in his life. He never made her think twice.  
**Dm7 Fmaj7 Cmaj7 - Bb7**  
As he rises to her apology,  
**A7 Dm7 Fmaj7 Am7 F#m7b5**  
An- y -body else would surely know . . . he's watching her go.  
**Fm7 | % | Abadd9**  
But what a fool be-lieves, he sees,  
**Eb | Eb Cm7 | Ab**  
No wise man has the power . . . to reason a-way.  
**Eb Fm7 Abadd9 Eb | Eb**  
What seems . . . to be . . . is always better than nothing.  
**Cm7**  
And nothing at all.

**Outro (2x then 'Instrumental Close')**

**||:** **Eb Cm7 | Cm7 | Ebadd9 | Ebadd9**  
\_\_\_\_\_ What a fool be-lieves, he sees  
**Bb | Bb Gm7 | Eb**  
No wise man has the power to reason a-way.  
**Eb↓↓ Bb Cm7 | Cm7 Ebadd9 | Bb**  
\_\_\_\_\_ What seems . . . to be is always better than nothing.  
**Gm7**  
And nothing at all. **:||**

**Instrumental Close**

**| Eb Eb Bb Cm7 | Cm7 | Bb F Eb Bb**



**F#m7 | % | Aadd9**  
 But what a fool be-lieves, he sees,  
**E | E Dbm7 | A**  
 No wise man has the power . . . to reason a-way.  
**E F#m7 Aadd9 E | E**  
 What seems . . . to be . . . is always better than nothing.  
**Dbm7**  
 And nothing at all keeps sending him

**Ab7 F#add2 Db**  
 Somewhere back in her long ago,  
**Ebm9 Fm7 F#add2 Adim Bbm7 A9 Ab7 - F#add2**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Where he can still be-lieve there's a place in her life  
**Db Ebm9 Fm7 F#add2 Adim Bbm7 | Bbm7 |**  
 Some-day, somewhere \_\_\_\_\_ she will re - turn.

**Bbm7 | Ab7 | Ab7 | Bbm7 | Ab7**  
 She had a place in his life. He never made her think twice.  
**Ebm7 F#maj7 Dbmaj7 - B7**  
 As he rises to her a-pology,  
**Bb7 Ebm7 F#maj7 Bbm7 Gm7b5**  
 An- y -body else would surely know . . . he's watching her go.  
**F#m7 | % | Aadd9**  
 But what a fool be-lieves, he sees,  
**E | E Dbm7 | A**  
 No wise man has the power . . . to reason a-way.  
**E F#m7 Aadd9 E | E**  
 What seems . . . to be . . . is always better than nothing.  
**Dbm7**  
 And nothing at all.

**Outro (2x then 'Instrumental Close')**

**||: A F#m7 | F#m7 | Aadd9 | Aadd9**  
 \_\_\_ What a fool be-lieves, he sees  
**E | E Dbm7 | A**  
 No wise man has the power to reason a-way.  
**A↓↓ E F#m7 | F#m7 Aadd9 | E**  
 \_\_\_ \_\_\_ What seems . . . to be is always better than nothing.  
**Dbm7**  
 And nothing at all. **:||**

**Instrumental Close**

**| A A E F#m7 | F#m7 | E B A E**



**B7 Aadd2 E**  
 Somewhere back in her long ago,  
**F#m9 C#m7 Aadd2 Cdim C#m7 Cadd2 B7 - Aadd2**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Where he can still be-lieve there's a place in her life  
**E F#m9 G#m7 Aadd2 Cdim C#m7 | C#m7 |**  
 Some-day, somewhere \_\_\_\_\_ she will re - turn.

**C#m7 | B7 | B7 | C#m7 | B7**  
 She had a place in his life. He never made her think twice.

**F#m7 Amaj7 Emaj7 - D7**  
 As he rises to her a-pology,  
**C#7 F#m7 Amaj7 C#m7 A#m7b5**  
 An- y -body else would surely know . . . he's watching her go.

**Am7 | % | Cadd2**  
 But what a fool be-lieves, he sees,  
**G | G Em7 | C**  
 No wise man has the power . . . to reason a-way.

**G Am7 Cadd2 G | G**  
 What seems . . . to be . . . is always better than nothing.

**Em7**  
 And nothing at all.

**Outro (2x then 'Instrumental Close')**

**||: C Am7 | Am7 | Cadd9 | Cadd9**  
 \_\_\_ What a fool be-lieves, he sees  
**G | G Em7 | C**  
 No wise man has the power to reason a-way.  
**C↓↓ G Am7 | Am7 Cadd9 | G**  
 \_\_\_ \_\_\_ What seems . . . to be is always better than nothing.  
**Em7**  
 And nothing at all. **:||**

**Instrumental Close**

**| C C G Am7 | Am7 | G D C G**