

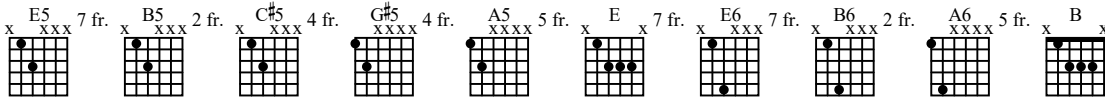
JUST WHAT I NEEDED

As recorded by The Cars

(From the 1978 Album THE CARS)

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A Intro

♩ = 124

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Gtr II

Gtr I
P.M.

T			
A			
B	7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7

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P.M.

T			
A			
B	7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7

B Verse 1

9

Gtrs III, IV

E5 B5 C#5 G#5

T			
A			
B			

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E5 B5 C#5 G#5

Gtr V P.M.

T			
A			
B			

sl.

C Pre Chorus

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E5 B5 C#5 G#5



P.M.----- P.M.-----

T				
A	9 9 9 11 9 9 9 11	4 4 4 6 4 4 4 6	6 6 6 7 6 6 6 7	6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6
B	7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4

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E5 B5 G#5 A5



T				
A	2 2 2 1 2 1 2 4	9 9 9 9 9 9	6 6 6 6 6 6 5	6 6 6 6 6 6
B	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	7 7 7 7 7 7	4 4 4 4 4 4 4	5 5 5 5 5 5

sl.

D Synth Solo

25

E5 B5 C#5 G#5



P.M.- P.M.---- P.M.- P.M.---- P.M. P.M.

T				
A	9 9 9 11 9 11 9	4 4 4 6 4 4 6 4	6 6 6 7 6 6 7 6	6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6
B	7 7 7 7 7 7 7	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4

sl.

Gtr VI

T	12		12		12		
A		13		13		16	14 12
B							13

Gtr II

T							8 6 4
A							8 6 5
B							

sl.

E5 B5 G#5 A5

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P.M. P.M.----| P.M.-| P.M.

T A B

	9 9 9 11 9 11 9	4 4 4 6 4 4 6 4	6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6
B	7 7 7 7 7 7 7	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5

T A B

	12	13	12	13	12	16	14	12	
A									
B									14

T A B

			7-9	9	6-7	7	4-6	5	(5)
A									
B									

sl. *sl.* *sl.* *sl.*

E Verse 2

Gtrs III, IV E5 B5 C#5 G#5

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Gtr V

T A B

		4	4	4	5
A		4	4	4	5
B	7	2		4	5

E5 B5 C#5 G#5

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N.H.-| P.M.

T A B

		4	5	5	[7]	4
A		4	5	5		
B	7	2	4	5		4

sl.

F Pre Chorus 2

E5 B5 C#5 G#5

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P.M.----- P.M.- P.M.----- P.M.- P.M.-----

T				
A	9 9 9 11 9 9 11	4 4 4 6 4 4 6 4	6 6 6 7 6 6 7 6	
B	7 7 7 7 7 7 7	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 x x

Gtr VI

T	12		12	12 16 14 12	13
A		13			
B					

sl.

E5 B5 G#5 A5

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T				
A	2 2 2 1 2 2 1 2 4	9 9 9 9 9 9 9	5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	6 6 6 6
B	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	7 7 7 7 7 7 7	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	7 7 7 7 7 7 x x

Gtr VI

T	12		12	12 16 14 12	
A		13			14
B					

sl.

G Chorus 1

Gtrs III, V E B5 A5 C#5 B5 E B5 A5 C#5

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Gtr IV

T		5 4	6 4	6		4	7 5 4	5	7
A									
B									

Full

sl.

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E B5 A5 C#5 B5 E B5 A5 C#5

T (7) 5 4 6 4 6 4 7 5 4 5 14 13

A

B

sl. sl.

H Guitar Solo E5 B5 B6 B5 C#5 G#5

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Gtrs III, IV P.M.

Gtr V P.M. P.M. P.M. P.M.

Gtr II Full Full Full Full Full Full

T 9 9 9 4 4 4 4 4 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

A 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4

B 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4

sl. P H P sl.

	E5	E6 B5	B6 B5	C#5	A5	A6	A5	E5	E6 B5	B6 B5	C#5	G#5
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P.M.-----|

T												
A	9 9 9 4 4 4 4 4	6 6 6	7 7 7 7 7	7	9 9 9 4 4 4 4 4	6 6 6	6 6 6 6 6 6 6	6				
B	7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2	4 4 4	5 5 5 5 5	5	7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2	4 4 4	4 4 4 4 4 4 4	4				

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P.M.┘ P.M.---┘ P.M.-----┘ P.M. P.M.-----┘ P.M.-----┘ P.M.-----┘ P.M.---┘ P.M.┘

T												
A	9 9 11 4 4 4 6	6 6 6 2 2 2 4	9 9 11 4 4 4 6 4	6 6 6 4 4 4 4	6 6 6 6 6 6 6	4 4 4 4 4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4				
B	7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2	4 4 4 0 0 0 0 0	7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2	4 4 4 4 4 4 4	4 4 4 4 4 4 4	4 4 4 4 4 4 4	4 4 4	4 4				

sl. *sl.* *sl.*

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Full Full Full Full Full Full Full Full

T												
A	9 9 11 9 11 11 9	12(12) 10 12 12 12 10	12 12 12 12 11(11) 11 9	11(11) 10	11 11 11 9							
B	9 9 11 13											

sl. *sl.* P P P

E5 E6 B5 B6 B5 C#5 A5

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P.M.-----|

T
A
B

9 9 9 4 4 4 4 4 6 6 6 7 7 7 7 7

7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 5

P.M.--| P.M.-----| P.M.-----|

T
A
B

9 9 11 4 4 4 6 4 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 5

Full

T
A
B

11 11 12 11 12 11 11 9 6 9 9 11 11 13 13 14 14 15

sl. sl. sl. sl. sl.

I Verse 1 Recap

E5 B5 C#5 G#5

Gtrs III, IV

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Gtr V

T
A
B

0 4 5 6 5

4 4 4 2 4 4 4 4

Gtr II

T
A
B

16 16

sl.

E5 B5 C#5 G#5

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T A B

J Pre Chorus 1 Recap

E5 B5 C#5 G#5

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P.M.-1 P.M.-1 P.M. P.M. P.M. P.M. P.M.-1

T A B

Gtr VI

T A B

E5 B5 G#5 A5

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T A B

T A B

K Chorus 2

Gtrs III, V

Gtr IV

T 5 4 6 4 6 4 7 5 4 5 7

A 6 4 6

B

sl.

Gtrs III, V

Gtr IV

T 7 5 4 6 4 6 4 7 5 4

A 6 4 6

B

sl.

Gtrs III, V

Gtr IV

T 5 7 7 7 7 5 7 5 6 6

A

B

sl.

Gtrs III, V

Gtr IV

T 5 4 6 4 6 4 7 5 4 5 7 (7) 7 5

A 6 4 6

B

sl. P

E B5 A5 C#5 B5 E B5 A5

95

T 5 4 6 4 6 4 5 (5) 4 7 5 4

A

B

sl.

C#5

98

T 5 14 14 (14)

A 13 13 (13)

B

sl.

L Outro

E5 B5 B6 B5 C#5 G#5 E5 E6 B5 B6 B5 C#5 A5 A6 A5

100

Gtrs III, IV
P.M.-----|

T 9 9 9 4 4 4 4 4 6 6 6 9 9 9 4 4 4 4 4 4 6 6 6 6 6 6 9 9 11 4 4 4 6 4 4 6 6 6 2 2 2 4 2

A 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 6 6 6 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 6 6 6 2 2 2 4 2

B 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 6 6 6 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 0 0 0 0 0

Gtr V P.M. P.M.-----| P.M.-----| P.M.-| P.M.-| P.M.-----| P.M.-----|

T 9 9 11 4 4 4 6 4 6 6 6 9 9 11 4 4 4 6 4 4 6 6 6 2 2 2 4 2

A 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 6 6 6 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 6 6 6 2 2 2 4 2

B 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 6 6 6 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 0 0 0 0 0

sl. *sl.*

Gtr VI

T 9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11 9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11

A 9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11 9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11

B 9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11 9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11

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E5 B5 B6 B5 C#5 G#5 E5 E6 B5 B6 B5 C#5 A5

P.M.-----|

T
A
B

9 9 9 4 4 4 4 4 4 6 6 6 9 9 9 9 9 4 4 4 6 6 6 7 7 7 7 7
7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 7 7 7 7 7 2 2 2 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 5

P.M. P.M.----| P.M.-----| P.M.-----| P.M. P.M.

T
A
B

9 9 11 4 4 4 6 4 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 9 9 11 9 4 6 6 6 6 6 6 2 2 2 2 x
7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 7 7 7 7 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 0 0 0 0 x

sl. sl.

T
A
B

9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11 9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11

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E5 B5 C#5 G#5 E5 B5 C#5 A5

P.M.-----|

T
A
B

9 9 9 4 4 4 4 4 4 6 6 6 9 9 9 4 4 4 4 4 4 6 6 6 7 7 7 7 7 7
7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 7 7 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 5 5 5

T
A
B

9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11 9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11

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E5 B5 C#5 G#5

P.M.-----|

T
A
B

9 9 9 9 4 4 4 4 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

7 7 7 7 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4

T
A
B

9 4 5 (5)
7 4 4 (6)
2 2 4 (4) 4

T
A
B

9 9 9 11 12 9 (9) 9 11

9 9 11

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A5 B5 C#5

P.M.-----| P.M.--|

T
A
B

7 7 7 4 4 4 6 (6)
5 5 5 2 2 2 4 (4) (6)
(4)

T
A
B

6 6 4 5 (5)
7 7 4 4 (6)
5 5 2 4 (4) (6)
(4)

T
A
B

9 9 11 9 12 14 (14) (14)

9 9 11

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