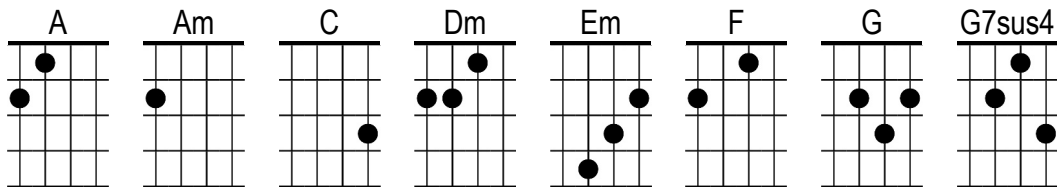


# Cruel To Be Kind

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## Intro



Oh, **C** I can't take another **Em** heartache  
Though you **F** say you're my friend, **G7sus4** I'm at my wits end  
**C** You say your love is **Em** bona fide  
But that don't **F** coincide, **Dm** with the things that you **F** do  
And when I **Em** ask you to de**F**ny it, you **G↓** say

## Chorus

You gotta be **F:D-Du** cruel to be **G↓** kind, **Em:D-Du** in the right  
**Am↓↓** measure  
**F:D-Du** Cruel to be **G↓** kind, it's a **Em:D-Du** very good **Am↓↓** sign  
**F:D-Du** Cruel to be **G↓** kind, **Em:D-Du** means that I **Am↓↓** love you,  
**F** baby |  
You **G** gotta be cruel to be **C** kind



Well, I **C** do my best to under**Em**stand, dear  
But you **F** still mystify, and **G7sus4** I wanna know why  
**C** I pick myself up **Em** off the ground  
To have you **F** knock me back down, **Dm** again and a **F**gain  
And when I **Em** ask you, to ex**F**plain, you **G↓** say

## Repeat Chorus

**G** doo-doo-doo **F** doo-doo **G** doo-doo

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**G** **G↓**

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## Repeat Chorus

**G** oh, **Em:D-Du** in the right **Am↓↓** measure  
**F:D-Du** Cruel to be **G↓** kind it's a **Em:D-Du** very, very, **Am↓↓** very  
good **F** sign  
**G** It **Em:D-Du** means that I **Am↓↓** love you, **F** baby |  
You **G** gotta be cruel to be **C** kind **F** **C↓**