**If You Could Read My Mind (Gordon Lightfoot)**

**G**

F

G

If you could read my mind love –

**F**

What a tale my thoughts could tell

**G**

Just like an old time movie –

**F**

'bout a ghost from a wishin' well

G7

C

**G G7 C**

In a castle dark or a fortress strong

 **D Em**

With chains upon my feet -

 **C G**

You know that ghost is me

 **C G**

And I will never be set free

Em

 **Am7 D G**

As long as I'm a ghost that you can't see

**G**

If I could read your mind love -

**F**

What a tale your thoughts could tell

D

Am7

**G**

Just like a paperback novel -

**F**

The kind that drugstores sell

**G G7**

When you reach the part

 **C**

Where the heartaches come

 **D Em C G**

The hero would be me - But heroes often fail

 **C G**

And you won't read that book again

 **Am7 D G**

Because the ending's just too hard to take

**G F G F (melody for first two lines of verse)**

**G G7 C**

I'd walk away - like a movie star

 **D Em**

Who gets burned in a three way script

**C G**

Enter number two -

 **C G**

A movie queen to play the scene

 **Am7 D Em**

Of bringing all the good things out in me

**C G**

But for now love, let's be real

 **C G**

I never thought I could act this way

 **Am7 D**

And I've got to say that I just don't get it

**C G**

I don't know where we went wrong

 **Am7 D G**

But the feelin's gone and I just can't get it back

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**F**

What a tale my thoughts could tell

**G**

Just like an old time movie –

**F**

'bout a ghost from a wishin' well

**G G7 C**

In a castle dark or a fortress strong

 **D Em**

With chains upon my feet -

 **C G**

But stories always end

 **C G**

And if you read between the lines

 **Am7 D Em**

You'll know that I'm just tryin' to understand

 **C G**

The feelings that you lack

 **C G**

I never thought I could feel this way

 **Am7 D**

And I've got to say that I just don't get it

**C G**

I don't know where we went wrong

 **Am7 D G**

But the feelin's gone and I just can't get it back

**G F G**

**BARITONE**

C

G

F

G7

Em

Am7

D