

It Shouldn't Hurt To Be A Child

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♩ = 120

Chords: G, D/F#, C9, C/D, G, D/F#, C9, C9, C/D, Bmin, C11, G/B, C, Bmin, C11, Dsus, D, G, C9, G, G/F#, C, D, C9, Dsus, D, G, C9, G

Voice

Keyboard

Vce

Keys

13

19

25

31

37

Hop- scotch, jump- rope, hide- and- seek,

stars thru a tel- e- scope, doll hous- es, pre- tend time, rid- ing our bikes in end- less days of sun- shine. If this was our

child- hood, how grate- ful we should be... to those who helped us get through it hap- pi- ly.

But what of our child- ren that now walk in our place? Is child- hood now

sho- rt- er be- cause of what they have to face? It shouldn't hurt to be a child let them stay

there a while; but they must feel safe in their in- no- cence let them find out who they are,

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43 *G/F# Emin D C9 Dsus D G*

Vce then they can go so far; now they just need us to let them be a child.

Keys

49 *D/F# C9 C/D G D/F# C9*

Vce

Keys

55 *C/D Bmin C11 G/B C Bmin*

Vce But what of our child- ren that now walk in our place? Is child- hood now

Keys

61 *C9 Dsus D G D/F# C9*

Vce sho- rt- er be- cause of what I have to face? Gen- er- a- tions of to- mor- row need us to stop the

Keys

67 *C/D G D/F# C9 C/D C/D*

Vce pain and sor- row, and face the chal- lenge that lies be- fore us, and join our voi- ces as we sing this chor- us...

Keys

73 *G C9 G G/F# Emin D C9*

Vce It should n't hurt to be a child let them stay there a while; but they must feel safe in their

Keys

79 *Dsus D G C9 G G/F# Emin D*

Vce in- no- cence let them find out who they are, then they can go so far; now they

Keys

85 C9 Dsus D G G C9 G G/F#

Vce just need us to let them be a child. It should n't hurt to be a child let them stay

Keys

91 Emin D C9 Dsus D G C9

Vce there a while; but they must feel safe in their in- no- cence let them find out who they are,

Keys

97 G G/F# Emin D C9 Dsus D C9

Vce then they can go so far; now they just need us They just need us to

Keys

103 Dsus D G D/F# C9 C/D G

Vce let them be a child.

Keys

109 D/F# C9 G D/F# C9

Vce Hop- scotch, jump- rope, hide- and- seek,

Keys

115 C/D G D/F# C9 C/D G

Vce stars through a tel- e- scope, doll hou- ses, pre- tend time, rid- ing our bikes in end- lessdays of sun- shine.

Keys