

PIANO MAN

A 1973 hit song from the Piano Man album by Billy Joel

It's nine o'clock on a Sat-ur-day,
the reg-u-lar crowd shuf-fles in.
There's an old man sit-ting next to me
makin' love to his ton-ic and gin.
He says, 'Son can you play me a mem-o-ry?
I'm not real-ly sure how it goes,
but it's sad and it's sweet
and I knew it com-plete
when I wore a young-er man's clothes.'

Da da da, de de da-----
da da---- de de
da---- da da [4 x Bar 'Lead-In']

Sing us a song,
you're the pia-no man.
Sing us a song to-night.
Well, we're all in the mood for a mel-o-dy,
and you've got us feel-in' al-right.

Now John at the bar is a friend of mine.
He gets me my drinks for free,
and he's quick with a joke
or to light up your smoke,
but there's some-place that he'd rath-er be.
He says, 'Bill I be-lieve this is kill-ing me,'
as a smile ran a-way from his face.
'Well, I'm sure that I could be a mov-ie star
if I could get out of this place.'

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Now Paul is a real es-tate nov-el-ist,
who nev-er had time for a wife,
and he's talk-in' with Da-vy
who's still in the Na-vy
and prob-a-bly will be for life.
And the wait-ress is prac-tis-ing pol-i-tics
as the bus-'ness-men slow-ly get stoned.
Yes, they're shar-ing a drink they call lone-
li-ness,
but it's bet-ter than drink-in' a-lone.

[12 x Bar Instrumental]

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It's a pret-ty good crowd for a Sat-ur-day,
and the man-ag-er gives me a smile
'cause he knows that it's me
they've been com-in' to see
to for-get a-bout life for a-while.
And the pia-no sounds like a car-ni-val,
and the mi-cro-phone smells like a beer,
and they sit at the bar
and put bread in my jar
and say, 'Man, what are you do-in' here?'

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