

How Long Has This Been Going On?

Bass for Alto Voice Key

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A1

Cmi⁹ B⁰⁷ F⁷_{SUS} F⁹ Fmi⁷ B^{b7} E^{b7} A^{b9}

I could cry sal-ty tears; Where have I been all these years?

5 **B^{b/D} D^{b07} Cmi⁷ F⁷ B^{b7} E^{b7} G^{b7} F⁷ B^{bMA}⁷**

Lit-tle wow, tell me now, How long has this been go-ing on?
Listen you, tell me do, How long has this been go-ing on?

A2

9 **Cmi⁹ B⁰⁷ F⁷_{SUS} F⁹ Fmi⁷ B^{b7} E^{b7} A^{b9}**

There were chills up my spine, And some thrills I can't de - fine.
What a kick! How I buzz! Boy, you click as no one does!

13 **B^{b/D} D^{b07} Cmi⁷ F⁷ B^{b7} E^{b7} G^{b7} F⁷ B^{b6} B^{b7}**

Lis-ten sweet, I re - peat: How long has this been go-ing on?
Hear me sweet, I re - peat: How long has this been go-ing on?

B

17 **E^{bMA}⁷ A^{b7} E^{bMA}⁷ A^{b7} E^{bMA}⁷ A^{b7} E^{bMA}⁷ Emi^{7(b5)} A⁷**

Oh, I feel that I could melt; in - to Hea-ven I'm hurled.
Dear, when in your arms I creep, that di - vine ren-dez - vous,

21 **Dmi Gmi⁶ Dmi Emi^{7(b5)} A⁷ Dmi Gmi⁶ Dmi⁷ D^{b7}**

I know how Co-lum-bus felt, Find-ing an - oth - er world.
Don't wake me, if I'm a - sleep, let me dream that it's true.

A3

25 **Cmi⁹ B⁰⁷ F⁷_{SUS} F⁹ Fmi⁷ B^{b7} E^{b7} A^{b9}**

Kiss me once, then once more. What a dunce I was be - fore.
Kiss me twice, then once more, that makes thrice, let's make it four!

29 **B^{b/D} D^{b07} Cmi⁷ F⁷ B^{b7} E^{b7} G^{b7} F⁷ B^{b6} (B^{b7})**

What a break! For Heaven's sake! How long has this been go-ing on?