

I Won't Back Down

Tom Petty

Intro

Drums Vocals

♩ = 112

2 3

The intro consists of three measures. The vocal line is a whole rest in each measure. The drum line features a steady eighth-note pattern on the snare and a bass drum pattern of eighth notes and quarter notes.

Verse 1

Vo

4 5 6

Well, I won't back down No, I

Dr

Measures 4-6 of the verse. The vocal line starts with a whole rest in measure 4, followed by the lyrics 'Well, I' in measure 5 and 'won't back down' in measure 6. The drum line continues with the same pattern as the intro.

Vo

7 8 9

won't back down You can stand me up at the

Dr

Measures 7-9 of the verse. The vocal line continues with 'won't back down' in measure 7 and 'You can stand me up at the' in measure 8. The drum line continues with the same pattern as the intro.

Vo

10 11 12

gates of hell But I won't back down No, I'll

Dr

Measures 10-12 of the verse. The vocal line continues with 'gates of hell But I' in measure 10 and 'won't back down' in measure 11. The drum line continues with the same pattern as the intro.

Vo

13 14 15

stand my ground Won't be turned a - round

Dr

Measures 13-15 of the verse. The vocal line continues with 'stand my ground' in measure 13 and 'Won't be turned a - round' in measure 14. The drum line continues with the same pattern as the intro.

Vo

16 17 18

And I'll keep this world from draggin' me down Gonna

Dr

Measures 16-18 of the verse. The vocal line continues with 'And I'll keep this world from draggin' me down' in measure 16 and 'Gonna' in measure 17. The drum line continues with the same pattern as the intro.

19 20 21

V_o stand my ground And I won't back down

Dr

Chorus 1

22 23 24

V_o Hey, ba - by

Dr

25 26 27

V_o There ain't no ea-sy way out Hey, I

Dr

28 29 30

V_o Will stand my ground And I

Dr

Verse 2

31 32 33

V_o won't back down Well, I know what's right

Dr

34 35 36

V_o I got just one life In a

Dr

2
37 38 39

Vc

world that keeps on pushin' me around But I'll stand my ground

Dr

40 41 42

Vocals

And I won't back down Hey,

Drums

Chorus 2

43 44 45

Vocals

ba - by There ain't no ea-sy way out

Drums

46

V₀

47

48

Hey, I Will

Dr

49 50 51

Vc

stand my ground And I won't back down

Dr

58 59 60

Vo

Dr

61 62 63

Vo

Dr

64 65 66

Vo

Dr

67 68 69

Vo

Dr

70 71 72

Vo

Dr

73 74 75

Vo

Dr

76 77 78

Vo

Dr

4
79 80 81

V_o

Dr

won't back down No, I won't back down

82

V_o

Dr