

Cruel To Be Kind (by Nick Lowe) { 1979 }

Intro : [C] [Em] [F] [G] [C] [Em] [F] [G] [G]

Oh, [C] I can't take another [Em] heartache
 Though you [F] say you're my friend, [G] I'm at my wit's end
 [C] You say your love is [Em] bonafide,
 But that don't [F] coin-[Em]-cide
 [Dm] With the things that you [F] do and when I [Em] ask you to be [F] nice
 You [G] say you've got to be...

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 [F] Cruel to be [G] kind it's a [Em] very good [Am] sign
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 To have you [F] knock me [Em] back down
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