Under Pressure

Queen and David Bowie (1981)

Riff: Bass line (high G top two, low G bottom two)

**A|-5-5-5-5-5-5---|-5-5-5-5-5-5---|**

**E|-------------5-|-------------5-|**

**C|-2-2-2-2-2-2---|-2-2-2-2-2-2---|**

**G|-------------2-|-------------2-|**

Riff: Piano chords

**A|-----|**

**E|-3-5-|**

**C|-2-2-|**

**G|-----|**

Intro: Bass line with piano chords (x2)

**[D]/[D]/[D]/[D]/**

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**[D]/[D]**

[D] Um boom ba bay

[A] Um boom ba bay

[G] Um Um boom ba bay bay [A]

Verse 1: Strum /d---D-u---u-D-u-/

[D] Pressure, pushing [A] down on me

Pressing [G] down on you, no man ask [A] for

Under [D] pressure, that burns a [A] building down

Splits a [G] family in two, puts [A] people on streets

[D] Um ba ba bay, [A] um ba ba bay

Dee [G] day duh, ee day duh [A]

Bridge 1: Strum /d-d-d-d-d-d-d-d-/

It's the [G] terror of knowing, what this [A] world is about

[G] Watching some good friend scream [A] "Let me out!"

Pray to-[G]morrow takes me [A] higher

[D] Pressure on people, people [G]↓ on the [A]↓ streets

Bass line: (x2)

**A|-5-5-5-5-5-5---|-5-5-5-5-5-5---|**

**E|-------------5-|-------------5-|**

**C|-2-2-2-2-2-2---|-2-2-2-2-2-2---|**

**G|-------------2-|-------------2-|**

**[D]/[D]/[D]/[D]/**

Verse 2:

[D] Chippin' around, [A] I kick my brains 'round the **[G]** floor

These are the days, [A] it never rains but it pours

[D] Ee do bay bup, [A] ee do bay ba bup

[G] Ee do bup, [A] bay bup

[D] People on streets, Dee da [A] dee da day

[G] People on streets, Dee da [A] dee da dee da dee da

Bridge 1: Strum /d-d-d-d-d-d-d-d-/

It's the [G] terror of knowing, what this [A] world is about

[G] Watching some good friend scream [A] "Let me out!"

Pray to-[G]morrow takes me [A] higher

Pressure [D]↓on ↓ people, people [G]↓ on the [A]↓ streets

Bridge 2:

Turned a-[G]↓ way from it all, like the [C]**↓** blind man

[G]↓ Sat on a fence, but it [C]↓ don't work

Keep [G] coming up with love, but it's so [C] slashed and torn

Freddy Mercury...

Why?

[F] / / / / [G] / / / / [F] / / / / [G] / / / / [F] / / / /

David Bowie...

[A] Love love love love love love love!

In-[A]sanity laughs under pressure we're cracking

Freddy Mercury...

Can't we [D] give ourselves one more [G] chance? [A]

Why can't we [D] give love that one more [G] chance? [A]

Why can't we [D] give love, give love, [G] give love, give love

[D] Give love, give love, [A] give love, give love

David Bowie...

Cause [G] love's such an [A] old fashioned [D] word and love

[A] Dares you to [G] care for the [A] people on the

[D] Edge of the [A] night and love [G] dares you to [A] change our way of

[G] Caring a-[A]bout ourselves

[G] This is our [A] last dance

[G] This is our [A] last chance

[D] This is [A] our-[G]↓selves [A]↓

Bass line: (x3)

**A|-5-5-5-5-5-5---|-5-5-5-5-5-5---|**

**E|-------------5-|-------------5-|**

**C|-2-2-2-2-2-2---|-2-2-2-2-2-2---|**

**G|-------------2-|-------------2-|**

Under **[D]** pressure **[D]**

Under **[D]** pressure **/[G][A]/**

**[D]** Pressure **[D]/[G]**↓↓ **[A]**↓

Finger snaps to fade …

