

# THE MONKEY ON YOUR BACK

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Key D

Time sig 4/4



## INTRO

1			A
2	D	G	Em
6	D	G	E7

It's

## VERSE 1

10	D	G	E7	A
	time to shed that weight around your	neck, The	ballast that will slowly pull you	down, For
14	D	G	E7	A
	when your gravelled ship descends to	utter wreck,	That'll be the weight around your	neck
18	E7	A	E7	A

It's

## VERSE 2 (as Verse 1)

22	D	G	E7	A
	time to ease those ties around your	wrists etc	etc	etc
26	D	G	E7	A
	etc	etc	That'll be the ties around your	wrists
30	E7	A	E7	A

It's

## BRIDGE

34	G	Em	G	Gm >> A7
	time to drop that blindfold from your	eyes, The	hood that masks the vista there be-	yond, For
38	D	G	E7	A
	when your hazy hopes are lost in	clouded skies,	That'll be the blindfold round your	eyes
42	E7	A	E7	A

## INSTRUMENTAL

46	D	G	E7	A
50	D	G	E7	A
54	G	Em	G	Gm >> A7
58	D	G	E7	A
62	E7	A	E7	A

It's

## VERSE 3 (as Verse 1)

66	D	G	E7	A
	time to lose the monkey on your	back etc	etc	etc
70	D	G	E7	A
	etc	etc	That'll be the monkey on your	back
74	E7	A	E7	A

## CODA

78	E7	A	E7
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v1 It's time to shed that weight around your neck,  
The ballast that will slowly pull you down;  
For when your gravelled ship descends to utter wreck,  
That'll be the weight around your neck.

v2 It's time to ease those ties around your wrists,  
The binds that hold you firmly to the wall;  
For when your helpless arms can't reach what else persists,  
That'll be the ties around your wrists.

Br It's time to drop that blindfold from your eyes,  
The hood that masks the vista there beyond;  
For when your hazy hopes are lost in clouded skies,  
That'll be the blindfold on your eyes.

v3 It's time to lose that monkey on your back,  
The gibbering foe that leaves you unfulfilled;  
For when your only dreams are shaped in purest black  
That'll be the monkey on your back.