

# Just the Way I Am

Dolly Parton

If you hear me crying in the night  
Pretend that you don't hear me it's alright  
Don't ask me why I'm crying, please don't make a sound  
I don't know why, it's just the way I am  
And if you think I act a little strange  
And you don't understand when I do things  
Like running through the fields while the rain is pouring down  
I don't know why, it's just the way I am

And even though you may not understand me  
I hope that you'll accept me like I am  
For there are many sides of me, my mind and spirit must be free  
And I might smile when other folks would frown  
I don't know why, it's just the way I am

I might go out chasing butterflies  
And if I fail to catch one I might cry  
And if you want me you might find me in the meadow walking 'round  
I don't know why, it's just the way I am

I might be home and busy cleaning house  
And in the middle of my work I might go out  
And go play games with children at the playground  
It makes me happy, and that's just the way I am

And even though you may not understand me  
I hope that you'll accept me like I am  
For there are childish sides of me  
My mind and spirit must be free  
I might smile when you think I should frown  
I don't know why, it's just the way I am