

# If I Didn't Have You

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Yeah, yeah  
If I didn't have you

If I didn't have you to hold me tight  
(If I didn't have you)  
If I didn't have you to lie with at night  
(When I'm feeling blue)  
If I didn't have you to share my sighs  
(Share my sighs)  
And to kiss me and dry my tears when I cry

Well I really think that I would...  
Have somebody else

(If I didn't have you)  
If I didn't have you, someone else would do

Your love is one in a million  
(One in a million)  
You couldn't buy it at any price  
(Can't buy love)  
But of the 9.999 hundred thousand other loves  
Statistically, some of them would be equally nice  
(Equally nice)  
Or maybe not as nice but, say, smarter than you  
Or dumber but better at sport or tracing  
I'm just saying  
(I really think that I would)  
Probably  
(Have somebody else)

Yeah

(If I didn't have you)  
If I didn't have you someone else would do  
(Someone else would surely do)

If I were a rich man  
Diddle-diddle-diddle -diddle-diddle- diddle-diddle-ee  
I guess I would be with a surgeon or a model  
Or a rellie of the Royals or a Kennedy  
Or a nymphomonical exhibitionist heiress to a large chain of hotels  
If I were a rich man, maybe I would fiddle  
Fiddle-diddle-diddle with the rich man girls

I'm not saying that I'd not love you if I was wealthy or handsome  
But realistically there's lots of fish in the sea  
And if I had a different rod I would concievably land some  
Even though I am fiscally consistantly pitiable  
And considerably less Brad Pitt than Brad Pitiful  
Am I really so poor and ugly that you reckon only you could possibly love me  
?  
And I  
(Really think that I would)  
Probably  
(Have somebody else)

(If I didn't have you)  
If I didn't have you, someone else would do  
(Someone else would surely do)

And look, I'm not undervaluing what we've got when I say  
That given the role chaos inevitably plays in the inherently flawed notion of "fate"

It's obtuse to deduce that I've found my soulmate at the age of seventeen  
It's just mathematically unlikely that at a university in Perth  
I happened to stumble on the one girl on Earth specifically designed for me

And if I may conjecture a further objection, love is nothing to do with destined perfection

The connection is strengthened, the affection simply grows over time

Like a flower

Or a mushroom

Or a guinea pig

Or a vine

Or a sponge

Or bigotry

... or a banana

And love is made more powerful by the ongoing drama of shared experience

And the synergy of a kind of symbiotic empathy or... something

So I trust it would go without saying

That I would feel really very sad

If tomorrow you were to fall off something high

Or catch something bad

But I'm just saying

I don't think you're special

I-I mean, I think you're special

But you fall within a bell curve

I mean, I'm just saying I

(Really think that I would)

Probably

(Have somebody else)

I think you are unique and beautiful

(Unique and beautiful)

You make me happy just by being around

(Being around)

But objectively, you would have to agree that baby when I found you

Options were relatively thin on the ground

(Thin on the ground)

You're lovely but there must be girls as lovely as you

And maybe more open to spanking or table tennis

I'm just saying

(Really think that I would)

Probably

(Have somebody else)

I mean I reckon it's pretty likely that if, for example

My first girlfriend, Jackie, hadn't dumped me

After I kissed Winston's ex-girlfriend Neah at Steph's party back in 1993

And our variables would probably have been altered by the absence of that event

To have meant the advent of a tangential narrative in which we don't meet

Which is to say there exists a theoretical hypothetical parallel life

Where what is is not as it is and I am not your husband and you are not my wife

And I am a stuntman living in LA

Married to a small, blonde Portuguese skier  
Who, when she's not training  
Does abstract painting  
Practices yoga  
And brews her own beer  
And really like making home movies  
And suffers neck down alopecia

But with all my heart and all my mind, I know one thing is true  
I have just one life and just one love and, my love, that love is you  
And if it wasn't for you, darling you

(Really think that I would)  
Probably  
(Have somebody else)

(If I didn't have you)  
If I didn't have you someone else would surely do