

Heartbreak Game

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It's not as if I didn't know better, her innocent look and a scented letter
It looked like love but it felt like a memory
Sometimes a young girl wants a ticket out
and a gambler on a roll looks good no doubt
But if you think you're winnin' you don't even know the game you're in

It's read 'em and weep, it's a sad old song
You take your chances just the same
Don't it serve me right how it all went wrong
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It's not as if she never loved me, but times get rough and the rooms get lonely
And a girl learns fast that there's a lot of different things called love
I got burned bad but I'm still in this game
It's a dirty deal but nobody's to blame
The odds are good lady luck will be back again

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Sometimes you gotta bet your aces low
Sometimes you gotta let a good hand go

(2x):

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