

99 Red Balloons

Nena - 1984

[Intro] [Play Quiet] D EM G A

[Verse 1]

D Em G A
You and I in a little toy shop Buy a bag of balloons with the money we've got
D Em G A
Set them free at the break of dawn Till one by one, they were gone
D Em G A
Back at base, bugs in the software Flash the message: Something's out there...
D Em G A D Em G A
Floating in the summer sky 99 Red Balloons go by...

[A little louder] D Em G A

[Verse 2] [Normal volume]

D Em G A
99 Red Balloons Floating in the summer sky
D Em G A
Panic bells, it's red alert There's something here from somewhere else
D Em G A
The war machine springs to life Opens up one eager eye
D Em G A D Em G A
Focusing it on the sky Where 99 Red Balloons go by...

[Verse 3]

D Em G A
99 Decision street 99 ministers meet
D Em G A
To worry, worry; super scurry Call the troops out in a hurry
D Em G A
This is what we've waited for This is it, boys, this is war
D Em G A D Em G A
The president is on the line As 99 Red Balloons go by...

[Verse 4]

D Em G A
99 knights of the air Ride super high-tech jet fighters
D Em G A
Everyone's a super hero Everyone's a Captain Kirk
D Em G A
With orders to identify To clarify and classify
D Em G A D Em G A
Scramble in the summer sky As 99 Red Balloons go by...
D Em G A D Em G A
As 99 Red Balloons go by...

[5th Verse] [1 strum - no percussion]

D Em G A
99 dreams I have had In every one a red balloon
D Em G A
It's all over and I'm standing pretty In this dust that was a city
D Em G A
If I could find a souvenir Just to prove the world was here
D Em G A
And here is a red balloon I think of you and let it go...

D [strum once and let it ring out]