

The River

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Moderate

Cmaj7



Fmaj7



Guitar harmonics

5 Cmaj7

Fmaj7

9 Cmaj7

Fmaj7

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13 Cmaj7

Fmaj7

She

VERSE 1

17 Cmaj7

Fmaj7

ran un - til her face_ was numb with cold_ and wore a cot-ton gown_ that blazed the night un -

20

Cmaj7

told. She ran un - til her feet_ re-fused to hold, so hea-vy a heart

PRECHORUS

Cmaj7

23 Fmaj7

_ for some-one mere-ly ten years_ old. And when she reached the riv - er her knees

Fmaj7

— be - gan to shiv - er, her head with pound - ing voic - es from home. Be -

29 Cmaj7

Fmaj7

hind her was a vi - sion, a pain - ful ap - par - i - tion of a dark - er world that no - one should know.

32

CHORUS



Some - bo - dy's bed

36

Fmaj7

Dm7

Am7

will nev - er be warm a - gain, the riv - er will keep this friend.

40

Fmaj7

Dm7

Am7

Yeah some-bo-dy's bed

44

Fmaj7

Dm7

1.

Cmaj7

will nev-er be warm

a - gain,

no nev-er a - gain.

48

Fmaj7

2.

Cmaj7

D♭maj7



Cmaj7

52

Eb6



CHORUS

Fmaj7

Dm7

57

Dbmaj7

Some-bo-dy's bed

61

Am7

Fmaj7

Dm7

will nev-er be warm— a - gain, — the riv - er will keep

65

Am7

Fmaj7

Dm7

this — friend. — Yeah some-bo-dy's bed

69

Am7

Fmaj7

Dm7

will nev-er be warm— a - gain, — no nev-er a - gain,

73 Cmaj7

Fmaj7

no nev - er a - gain.

77 Cmaj7

Fmaj7

81 Cmaj7

Fmaj7

Repeat and fade out

Verse 2

She dived beneath the water's icy skin
 hoping the cold would kill the smell of angry gin,
 and her eyes grew wider than they'd ever been
 just wishing the numbness to go deeper
 with its pins.

Prechorus 2

And as her body lay there
 she decided to stay there
 'til darkness came to pull her away
 and beautifully she sank as up river was a bank
 where some bodiless troubles would stay.