

# LIVING YEARS

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**Intro** A<sup>b</sup> G<sub>m</sub> B<sup>b</sup><sub>m</sub> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>

## Verse 1

A<sup>b</sup> D<sup>b</sup><sub>maj7</sub>  
Every generation, blames the one before  
G<sup>b</sup>  
I know that I'm a prisoner  
B<sup>b</sup><sub>m</sub>  
I know that I'm a hostage  
E<sup>b</sup>  
I just wish I could have told him

## Verse 2

A<sup>b</sup>  
No crumbled bits of paper  
A<sup>b</sup>  
Stilted conversations  
G<sup>b</sup>  
You say you just don't see it  
B<sup>b</sup><sub>m</sub>  
You just can't get agreement  
E<sup>b</sup>  
We all talk a different language

## Chorus

A<sup>b</sup> D<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup><sub>m</sub> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>  
(Say it loud) S.I.L., (say it clear) Oh S.I.C. You can listen as well as you hear  
A<sup>b</sup> D<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup><sub>m</sub> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>  
(It's too late) I.T.L., (when we die) Oh W.W.D. To admit we don't see eye to eye

## Verse 3

A<sup>b</sup>  
So we open up a quarrel  
A<sup>b</sup>  
We only sacrifice the future  
G<sup>b</sup>  
So don't yield to the fortunes  
B<sup>b</sup><sub>m</sub>  
It may have a new perspective  
E<sup>b</sup>  
And if you don't give up, and don't give in

## Chorus

Say it, say it, say it loud.....

## Verse 4

A<sup>b</sup>  
I wasn't there that morning  
A<sup>b</sup>  
I didn't get to tell him  
G<sup>b</sup>  
I think I caught his spirit  
B<sup>b</sup><sub>m</sub>  
I'm sure I heard his echo  
E<sup>b</sup>  
I just wish I could have told him

## Chorus

### Outro

A<sup>b</sup> D<sup>b</sup>  
Hey, say it loud, (say it clear) come on S.I.C.  
And do not wait 'til it's too late

A<sup>b</sup> D<sup>b</sup><sub>maj7</sub>  
And all of their frustrations, come beating on your door  
To all my father held so dear  
To all his hopes and fears  
D<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>  
In the ... living years

D<sup>b</sup><sub>maj7</sub>  
Filled with imperfect thought  
D<sup>b</sup><sub>maj7</sub>  
I'm afraid that's all we've got  
He says it's perfect sense  
In this present tense  
D<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>  
Talking in de..fence

D<sup>b</sup><sub>maj7</sub>  
Between the present and the past  
D<sup>b</sup><sub>maj7</sub>  
It's the bitterness that lasts  
You sometimes see as fate  
On a different day  
D<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>  
You may just be O...K

D<sup>b</sup><sub>maj7</sub>  
When my father passed away  
D<sup>b</sup><sub>maj7</sub>  
All the things I had to say  
Later that same year  
In my baby's new born tears  
D<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>  
In the ... living years

