

American Girl
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Intro IS MADE UP OF four PARTS (16 measures excluding count-in)

1) 1 count 4 of COUNT - IN (hi-hats), then

2) 2 measures (4 beats e)

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|--10---10---10===--|
|---X----X----X===--|   D - Hold until the rhythm kicks in
|---7-----7-----7===--|
|---0-----0-----0===--|
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3) 6 measures total

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|--10--10-10--10-10-1010101010-101010-10101010-101010101010--|
|---X---X--X---X--X--X-X-X-X-X--X-X-X--X-X-X-X--X-X-X-X-X-X--|
|---7---7--7---7--7--7-7-7-7-7--7-7-7--7-7-7-7--7-7-7-7-7--|
|---0---0--0---0--0-----0-----0-----0-----0-----|
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|--1010101010-101010-10101010-101010101010-1010101010101010--|
|---X-X-X-X-X--X-X-X--X-X-X-X--X-X-X-X-X-X--X-X-X-X-X-X-X--|
|---7-7-7-7-7--7-7-7--7-7-7-7--7-7-7-7-7--7-7-7-7-7-7-7--|
|-----0-----0-----0-----0-----0-----0-----|
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THEN

4) D, E7, G, A (1 bars e chord, 2X)

VERSE/CHORUS #1:

|D |E7 |G | Well,... she was an Am-er-i-... can
girl,... raised... on...

D A-D-F# E G#-B-D-E-OR-

G G-B-D -OR- A A-C#-E-G-OR-

E B-E-G B B-D-F# G G-B-D-F -OR-

D A-C-D-F# A A-D-E

|D |D |D |D |D | |A7 |D |E7 |G |A7 |

|A7 |D |E7 | prom-i-ses... She could-n't help...
think-in'... that there... was a

|G |A7 |A7 | lit-tle more... to life... some-where...
else... Af-ter all it was a

|D |G |Em | great big... world... with lots of pla-
ces... to run... to...

|D |Bm |G | ... take it eas-y, ba-by,... make it last
all night... She... was...

|A7 |D |D | an Am-er-... i-can girl...

|A7 |A7 |G |A |

|A7 And... if she had to die...

|A7 | had one lit-tle prom-ise

try-... in', she... she was gon-na keep... Oh,...
yeah,... al-... right,...

Ooh...

VERSE/CHORUS #2:

|D |E7 |G | Well,... it was kind-a cold... that...
night,... She... stood a-lone... on the

|A7 |D |E7 | bal-co-ny... Yeah,... she could hear the
cars... roll... by... out on

|G |A7 | four for-... ty one... like waves... crash-
in' on the beach,...

|A7 |D ... And for one desp-'rate mo-ment... there...

|G | he... crept... back... in her

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|Em mem-o-... ry...

|A7 God,... it's so pain-ful when

still...

|A7 |G |A |D

|A7 | so... far... out of reach...

|A7 some- thin' that's so close... is...

take it

She... was...

|G7 |A7 D7 |G7 |G |A7 |D |D |D

CODA: More Lead Guitar Solo... - ----

|D |E7 |G |As4 |D |D |E7 |G |As4 |D |D |E7 |G |As4 |D

| eas-y, ba-by,...

| an Am-er-... i-can

|A7 D7 |G7 |D |

Oh,... yeah,... al-... right,... |Bm |G |A7

... make it last all night...

|D |D | girl...

GUITAR SOLO: [14 M] -----

| A7 D7 | G7

| A7 D7 |

| E7 | G | As4 | | E7 | G | As4 | | D |