

The Entertainer

written by Billy Joel

performed by Waylon Jennings.

Capo on the 1st fret.

Verse 1:

D **G**
I am the entertainer,i know just where i stand
D **A**
Another serenader,another long-haired man
D **G**
Today i am your champion,i may have won your hearts
A
But i know the game,you'll forget my name
G **A**
And i won't be here in another year
D
If i don't stay on the charts

Verse 2:

D **G**
I am the entertainer,i've had to pay my price
D **A**
The things i did not know at first,i learned by doin' twice
D **G**
Ah,but still they come to haunt me,still they want their say
A
So i've learned to dance with a hand in my pants
G **A**
Just rub my neck and i write'em a check
D
And they go on their way

Verse 3:

D **G**
I am the entertainer,been all around the world
D **A**
I've played all kinds of places,i've laid all kind of girls
D **G**
I can't remember faces,i don't remember names
A
Ah,but what the hell,it's just as well
G **A**
'Cause after a while and a thousand miles

D

It all becomes the same

Verse 4:

D

G

I am the entertainer,i come to do my show

D

A

You've heard my latest record,it's been on the radio

D

G

Ah,it took me years to write it,the best years of my life

A

It's a beautiful song,but it ran too long

G

A

If you wanna have a hit,you gotta make it fit

D

So they cut it down to 3:05

Verse 5:

D

G

I am the entertainer,the idol of my age

D

A

I make all kinds of money,when i go on the stage

D

G

Ah,you've seen me in the papers,i've been in the magazines

A

But if i go cold my future gets sold

G

A

They'll put in the back in the discount rack

D

Like another can of beans

Verse 1.