

# The Gambler

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Piano

A D A

On a warm sum-mer's eve-ning On a train bound for no-where I met up with the gam-bler We were both too tired to

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E A D A D A

sleep So we took turns a- starin' Out the win- dow at the dark-ness The bore-dom o- ver- took us And

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he be- gan to speak He said, 1."Son, I've made a life Out of read- in' peo-ple's fac es and  
2.Eve- ry gam- bler knows That the se- cret to sur- viv-in' is

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E A D

know- in what their cards were By the way they held their eyes So if you don't mind my sayin' I can see you're out of  
know- in' what to throw away- And know- in' what to keep 'Cause eve- ry hand's a win- ner And eve- ry hand's a

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ac- es For a taste of your whis- key I'll give you some ad- vice" So I hand- ed him my  
los- er And the best that you can hope for is to die in your sleep."

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D A E

bot- tle And he drank down my last swal- low Then he bummed a cig- a- rette And asked me for a light And the  
spea- kin' He turned back toward- the win- dow Crushed out his cig- a- rette and fad- ed off to sleep And

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night got death-ly qui- et And his face lost all ex- pres- sion Said, "If you're gon- na play the game, boy You got- ta  
some- where in the dark- ness The gam- bler he broke e- ven But in his fi- nal words I found an

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learn to play it right You've got know when to hold 'em Know when to  
ace that I could keep

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A D A E A D/A

fold 'em Know when to walk a- way And know when to run You nev- er count your

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mon- ey When you're sit- tin' at the ta- ble There'll be time e- nough for coun- tin' when the deal- in's

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done You've got done.

Repeat Chorus and Fade

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