

# I Will Survive (The Aretha Version)

## Aretha Franklin

First I was afraid, I was petrified  
Kept thinking I could never live without you by my side  
But then I spent so many nights thinking how you did me wrong  
And I grew strong and I learned how to get along And so you're back from outer space  
I just walked in to find you here with that sad look upon your face  
I should have changed that stupid lock  
I should have made you leave your key  
If I had known for just one second you'd be back to bother me Boy, now go, walk out the door  
Just turn around now 'cause you're not welcome anymore  
Weren't you the one who tried to break me with goodbye?  
Did you think I'd crumble, did you think I'd lay down and die? Boy, no, not I, I will survive  
For as long as I know how to love, I know I'll stay alive  
I've got all my life to live and I've got all my love to give  
And I'll survive, I will survive, hey, hey La, la, la  
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La, la, la  
La, la, la It took all the strength I had not to fall apart  
Just trying hard to mend the pieces of my broken heart  
And I spent oh so many nights just feeling sorry for myself  
I used to cry, but now I hold my head up high And you see me, somebody new  
I'm not that chained up little person still in love with you  
And so you felt like dropping in and just expect me to be free  
But now I'm saving all my loving for someone who's loving me Boy, now go, walk out the door  
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