

A Yid

letter keys for keyboard · Benny Friedman · key: A minor (all white keys)

How to read it: each box is a key. Letters with no mark are the white keys from **middle C** going up.

 = the C higher up (to the right)  = just below (left of) middle C  = black key

– = keep singing the same word · wider box = hold the key a bit longer

Intro music, no words

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Verse 1

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My friends, in times like these, it's hard to see past the insanity

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In a reality so uncertain and unknown

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Life as we knew it, forever changed

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And there's no peace of mind to be found

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Who can even make sense of tomorrow

11 G B A A D E F G A C B G A

When our dreams keep crashing to the ground

Pre-chorus

12 A C D A C D D F E A C C

And yet as we rise to greet another day

13 A C B B B C B A G A

And the sun is still bright in the sky

14 A C B B B C B A B C

Always a reason to hope for better times

15 A C D A C D F E A C

Though it seems like the answer's worlds away

16 A C B B B C B A G B A

We've got enough, just enough to keep us going

17 A C B B B C B A G A

Holding on to unbroken simple faith

Chorus

18 A B C C C C A B C

'Cause a Yid never breaks, and a Yid never bends

19 C C C A B C E D C D E D A

And a Yid never gives up in the night

20 A D D D D B C D

A Yid perseveres through the deepest despairs

21 D D B C D D F E D

...

22 E E C D E A B C C

His emunah strengthens him for the fight

23 A B C C C A B C E

And a Yid understands that Hashem has a plan

24 D C E D A A D F E D B B C D

And that's all it takes to make it through

25 C B A E F E D E A E

His Tatte loves him

26 G F E A C D

That's what a Yid holds on to

Link music

27 E F E E A E

Verse 2

28 E E D E

The world went dark, the crowds dispersed

29 E E E G A A A G C D

On the streets that were once filled with life

30 D D D E F E F F

But a brilliant light emerged from deep inside our hearts

31 F E F E D C B B B

...

32 E E D E

The shuls were shuttered and still

33 E E D E E E E

But our prayers rang through our homes

34 E G A A A G C D

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35 D E F G A C B G B A

Instead of looking out for inspiration

36 D E F G A C B G A

We dug deep and found strengths we'd never known

Pre-chorus

37 A C D D D A C D D

And one more time, we will rise to greet another day

38 F E A C C C C C C C

...

39 A C B B B C B A G A

Where every moment's more precious than ever

40 A C B B B C B A B C

And life's sweetest little joys, they are the treasure

41 C A C D D D A C D F E A C

'Cause when it feels like the answer's worlds away

42 C C A A C B B

We've got enough, more than enough to keep us going

43 B C B B A G B A

...

44 A C B B B C B A G A

We're holding on to unbroken simple faith

Chorus

45 A B C C C C A B C C C

'Cause a Yid never breaks, and a Yid never bends, and a Yid never gives up in the night

46 C A B C E D C D E D A

...

47 A D D D D B C D D

A Yid perseveres through the deepest despairs

48 D B C D F E D D E

...

49 C D E A B C C

His emunah strengthens him for the fight

50 A B C C C C C A B C E

And a Yid understands that Hashem has a plan

51 D C E D A A

And that's all it takes to make it through

52 A D F E D B

His Tatte loves him

53 C D C B A

That's what a Yid holds on to

Melody from a piano teacher's lead-sheet tutorial for Benny Friedman's A Yid, checked note by note against the tutorial's sound and moved from D minor to A minor so it's all white keys. Order as played: piano intro, verse 1, the build-up, the chorus, a short link, verse 2, the build-up, the chorus to end. Words are printed under each phrase (not matched note by note).