

# Elaine Paige, I Know Him So Well (Chess)

(FLORENCE)

Nothing is so good it lasts eternally  
Perfect situations must go wrong  
But this has never yet prevented me  
Wanting far too much for far too long.  
Looking back I could have played it differently  
Won a few more moments who can tell  
But it took time to understand the man  
Now at least I know I know him well

(FLORENCE)

Wasn't it good?  
Wasn't he fine?  
Isn't it madness  
He can't be mine?

(SVETLANA)

Oh so good  
Oh so fine

He can't be mine?

(FLORENCE)

But in the end he needs  
A little bit more than me --  
More security

(SVETLANA)

He needs his fantasy  
And freedom

(FLORENCE)

I know him so well.

(SVETLANA)

No one in your life is with you constantly  
No one is completely on your side  
And though I move my world to be with him  
Still the gap between us is too wide.

(FLORENCE)

Looking back I could  
Have played things  
Some other way

(SVETLANA)

Looking back I could  
Have played it  
Differently

Learned about the man  
Before I fell

(FLORENCE)

I was just a little  
Careless maybe

(SVETLANA)

But I was  
Ever so much  
Younger then  
Now at least

(FLORENCE)  
Now at least  
I know him well

(BOTH)  
I know I know him well

(SVETLANA)  
  
Wasn't it good?  
Wasn't he fine?  
Isn't it madness

(FLORENCE)

Oh so good  
Oh so fine

(BOTH)  
He won't be mine?  
Didn't I know  
How it would go?  
If I knew from the start  
Why am I falling apart?

(SVETLANA)

Wasn't it good?  
Wasn't he fine?

(FLORENCE)

Isn't it madness  
He won't be mine?

(SVETLANA)  
He won't be mine?

(FLORENCE)  
But in the end he needs a  
Little bit more than me --  
More security

(SVETLANA)  
He needs his  
Fantasy and freedom

(FLORENCE)  
I know him so well

(SVETLANA)  
It took time to understand him

(BOTH)  
I know him so well