

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