

# The Tears of a Clown

Smokey Robinson

(Ahh, yeah yeah yeah)  
Now if there's a smile on my face  
It's only there tryin' to fool the public  
But when it comes down to foolin' you  
Now honey that's quite a different subject

But don't let my glad expression  
Give you the wrong impression  
Really I'm sad  
Oh I'm sadder than sad  
You're gone and I'm hurtin' so bad  
Like a clown I appear to be glad

R:  
Now there some sad things known to man  
But ain't too much sadder than  
The tears of a clown  
When there's no one around  
(Mmm hmm, Oh yea, baby)

Now if I appear to be carefree  
It's only to camouflage my sadness  
In order to shield my pride I try  
To cover this hurt with a show of gladness  
But don't let my show convince you  
That I've been happy since you  
Decided to go  
Ohh, I need you so  
I'm hurt and I want you to know  
But for others I put on a show  
Ohh ohh ohh o

R:  
There's some sad things known to man  
But ain't too much sadder than  
The tears of a clown  
When there's no one around  
(Oh yeah)

Just like Pagliacci did  
I try to keep my surface hid  
Smilin' in the public eye  
But in my lonely room I cry  
The tears of a clown  
When there's no one around,  
Oh yea, baby  
Now if there's a smile on my face  
Don't let my glad expression  
Give you the wrong impression  
But don't let this smile I wear  
Make you think that I don't care  
Really I'm sad, hurt me so bad