

STREETS OF PHILADELPHIA

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Moderately, with a beat $\text{♩} = 96$

F

Am

I.

II.

1. I was

 Verse:

F

Am

3

bruised and bat-tered; I could-n't __ tell __what I felt. I was __ un-rec-og-niz - a-ble __ to my-

mf

F

self. Saw my re-flec-tion in a win-dow and did-n't know my own face.. Oh, broth-er are you

Am

Chorus:

B♭2

gon-na leave me wast - in' a - way on the streets of Phil - a - del-phi-a. —
(bkgrd.) La__ la la la la

(L.H. cue notes 2nd & 3rd time)

260 F/A Csus C

la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la. _____

1.
C 2.
C

la la la 2. I walked the la la la la la. _____
cresc.

f

Ain't no an - gel gon-na greet

Dm7 B♭ F

me; _____

it's just you and I, my friend. _____

Am B♭ Csus

And my clothes don't fit me no more; — I walked a thou-sand miles — just to —

D.S. $\frac{2}{2}$ al Coda

\oplus Coda C

B12

—slip this skin.—

la la la la la. —

1.2. La la la la la
3.4.(etc.) *Instrumental repeat & fade*

A musical score for piano and voice. The piano part is in F/A major, featuring a bass line and a treble line with eighth-note chords. The vocal part consists of the lyrics "la la la la la" repeated three times, once in F/A major, once in Csus, and once in C major. The vocal line is primarily sustained notes with occasional eighth-note grace notes. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with sustained notes and eighth-note chords.

Verse 2:

I walked the avenue till my legs felt like stone.
I heard the voices of friends vanished and gone.
At night I could hear the blood in my veins
Just as black and whispering as the rain
On the streets of Philadelphia.

(To Chorus:)

Verse 3:

The night has fallen. I'm lyin' awake.
I can feel myself fading away.
So, receive me, brother, with your faithless kiss,
Or will we leave each other alone like this
On the streets of Philadelphia?
(To Chorus)

(To Chorus:)