

## **Ben Folds "Bastard"**

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The old bastard left his ties and a suit  
A brown box, mothballs and bowling shoes  
And his opinion so you'd never have to choose  
Pretty soon, you'll be an old bastard too

You get smaller while the world gets big  
The more you know, you know you don't know shit  
The whiz man'll never fit you like the whiz kid did

So why you gotta act like you know when you don't  
know?  
It's okay if you don't know everything  
Why you gotta act like you know when you don't know?  
It's okay if you don't know everything

Close your eyes, close your ears young man  
You've seen and heard all an old man can  
Spread the facts on the floor like a fan  
Throw away the ones that make you feel bad

Kids today gettin' old too fast  
They can't wait to grow up so they can kiss some ass  
They get nostalgic about the last ten years  
Before the last ten years have passed

So why you gotta act like you know when you don't  
know?  
It's okay if you don't know everything  
Why you gotta act like you know when you don't know?  
It's okay if you don't know everything

Tears land on a hand, on the chest  
The old bastard had a paradigm arrest

You got smaller and the world got big  
The more you knew we knew we didn't know shit  
The whiz man never fit him like the whiz kid did

Why you gotta act like you know when you don't know?  
'Cause It's okay if you don't know everything  
Why you gotta act like you know when you don't know?  
It's okay if you don't know everything

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