

## The Temptations

### "I Couldn't Cry If I Wanted To"

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I COULDN'T CRY IF I WANTED TO  
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You ask if I remembered, when we first met.  
Girl, tell me how could I ever forget  
There, you were standing there. Aw, with ruby lips and  
the golden hair.  
Your beauty seem to hypnotize me. I had that feeling I  
was no longer free.  
But when I ask you for a dance. (For a dance)  
You wouldn't even give me a chance. (Me a chance)  
And it hurt me through and through. That was the first  
time I got over you.  
You had my heart dingling, Like a puppet on a string.  
To you I meant nothing, darling. But to me it meant  
everything.  
Girl, you know since then through the years. (Through  
the years)  
I've shed so many tears. (So many tears)  
And all because of you, I couldn't cry if I wanted to.  
I don't know why I still love you.  
'Cause you don't even want me around.  
Year after year it's the same o' thing.  
You build me up, to let me down.  
So go on and hurt me. (Hurt me)  
Aw, like you did.  
This time it'll be different.  
Mmm, my tears you'll see no more.  
'Cause I've cried so through the years. (Through the  
years)  
Until I run out of tears. (Run out of tears)  
And all because of you, I couldn't cry if I wanted to.  
I'll never shed another tear.  
I couldn't cry no more, darling.  
Seems as though the pain  
Have gone the tears from my eyes.  
Never cry, never.  
Never no more.  
I'll never shed another tear.

