

# I Scare Myself

Words & Music:  
Dan Hicks

*Big thanks to correspondent Chip Gower for informing me that Dan Hicks is the rightful composer of this song (although Thomas Dolby's cover is wonderful!). Big thanks, too, to correspondent Jen Frankel for transcribing the chords to this song. She's transposed them into E for us guitar players. The Thomas Dolby version is in F & better for keyboard players. I've included dION's bass tab for the Dolby version, too. There are still some bits that would be nice to transcribe: the Spanish guitar bits & haunting piano riffs from the Dolby version. But I need to hear Hicks' version to see what that is like! Chip says it is either on his 1969 recording "Original Recordings" or 1972's "Striking It Rich".*

E F G F [2x]

E F G F [etc.]

I scare myself just thinking about you.  
I scare myself when I'm without you.  
I scare myself the moment that you're gone.  
I scare myself and I let my thoughts run.

## CHORUS:

C7 E Edim  
And when they're running, I keep thinking of you.  
C7 E F  
And when they're running, what can I do?

I scare myself, and I don't mean lightly.  
I scare myself, it can get frightening.  
I scare myself, to think what I could do.  
I scare myself, it's some kind of voodoo...  
And with that voodoo, I keep thinking of you.  
And with that voodoo, what can I do?

But it's so so very different when we're together.  
And I'm so so much calmer; I feel better.  
'Cause the stars already crossed our paths forever.  
And the sooner that you realise it, the better.  
And then I'll be with you and I won't scare myself.  
And I'll know what to do and I won't scare myself.  
And my thoughts will run and I won't scare myself.  
And I'll think of you and I won't scare myself...

dION's Bass Tab: [vamp for intro, verse & transitions - add guitar in 3rds in the Spanish style, need a tab for that haunting piano riff]

F G  
A |-----3-3-----4-4-----  
E |-1------(1)-2------(2-4)

## CHORUS:

and when I'm running... (1:21)

G F  
G |-----8-8-8-----8-7-----8-8-----8/---  
D |-----  
A |-4-ring-----4/---3---3-----6-5-4--/6-----  
E |--2-----2-----1--1-----/6-----