# The Longest Night Of The Year

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**INSTRUMENTAL VERSE INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 /**

**[G]** They say that spring will **[D]** come again **[A]**

**[G]** But no one knows ex-**[D]**actly **[A]** when

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On the **[G]** longest **[Em]** night of the **[A]** year **[D]**

**[G]** We stare into the **[D]** fire-**[A]**light

**[G]** While December **[D]** beats out-**[A]**side

**[G]** Where the darkest **[Bm]** hearts reside

On the **[G]** longest **[Em]** night of the **[A]** year **[D]**

**CHORUS:**

**[G]** So keep me safe and **[D]** hold me **[A]** tight

**[Em]** Let the candle **[Bm]** burn all **[A]** night

**[G]** Tomorrow welcome **[D]** back the **[A]** light

It was the **[G]** longest **[Em]** night of the **[A]** year **[D]**

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**[G]** I used to think the **[D]** world was **[A]** small

**[G]** Bright and shining **[D]** like a **[A]** ball

**[G]** Seems I don’t know **[Bm]** much at all

On the **[G]** longest **[Em]** night of the **[A]** year **[D]**

**[G]** Press our faces **[D]** to the **[A]** glass

**[G]** See our little **[D]** lives go **[A]** past

**[G]** Wave to shadows **[Bm]** that we cast

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**[G]** Make a vow when **[D]** Solstice **[A]** comes

**[G]** To find the light in **[D]** every-**[A]**one

**[G]** Keep the faith and **[Bm]↓** bang the drum **/ 1 2 3**

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After the **[G]** longest **[Em]** night of the **[A]** year **[D]**

**INSTRUMENTAL VERSE OUTRO:**

**[G]** Make a vow when **[D]** Solstice **[A]** comes

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