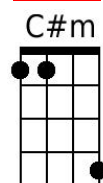


# The Circle Game Chords by Joni Mitchell

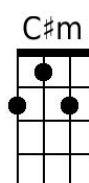
## [Verse 1]

A D A A  
Yesterday a child came out to wonder  
A D E7 E7  
Caught a dragonfly inside a jar  
A D C#m C#m  
Fearful when the sky was full of thunder  
D E7 A A  
And tearful at the falling of a star

GCEA



DGBE



## [Chorus]

A D // A //  
And the seasons, they go 'round and 'round  
A D // A //  
And the painted ponies go up and down  
D D A A  
We're captive on a carousel of time  
D D C#m D  
We can't return, we can only look behind from where we came  
C#m D // E7 // A A  
And go 'round and 'round and 'round in the circle game

## [Verse 2]

A D A A  
Then the child moved ten times 'round the seasons  
A D E7 E7  
Skated over ten clear frozen streams  
A D C#m C#m  
Words like, when you're older, must appease him  
D E7 A A  
And promises of someday make his dreams

## [Chorus]

## [Verse 3]

A D A A  
Sixteen springs and sixteen summers gone now  
A D E7 E7  
Cartwheels turn to car wheels through the town  
A D C#m C#m  
And they tell him, take your time it won't be long now  
D E7 A A  
'Till you drag your feet to slow the circles down

## [Chorus]

And the seasons, they go 'round and 'round  
And the painted ponies go up and down  
We're captive on a carousel of time  
We can't return, we can only look behind from where we came  
And go 'round and 'round and 'round in the circle game

## [Verse 4]

So the years spin by and now the boy is twenty  
Though his dreams have lost some grandeur coming true  
There'll be new dreams, maybe better dreams and plenty  
Before the last revolving year is through

## [Outro]

And the seasons, they go 'round and 'round  
And the painted ponies go up and down  
We're captive on a carousel of time  
We can't return, we can only look behind from where we came  
And go 'round and 'round and 'round in the circle game  
And go 'round and 'round and 'round in the circle game