Build Me Up, Buttercup
by Mike d’Abo and Tony Macaulay (1968)


(---tacet---) C . . . . | E7 . . . .

Chorus: Why do you build me up (build me up) But-ter-cup, ba-by

F . . . . G . . .

Just to let me down (let me down) and mess me a-round

C . . . . E7 . . .

And then worst of all (worst of all) you nev-er call, baby

F . . . . G . . .

When you say you will (say you will), but I love you still

C . . . . C7 . . .

I need you (I need you) more than any one, dar-ling,

| F . . . . Fm . . .

You know that I have from the start


So build me up, (build me up) But-ter-cup, don’t break my heart.


“I’ll be o-ver at ten”, you told me time and a-gain but you’re late, I wait a-round and then (ba-da-da)


I went to the door, I can’t take an-y more, it’s not you, you let me down a-gain.


(hey, hey hey) Ba-by, ba-by, try to find (hey hey hey) a lit-tle time and I’ll make you mi-ine

Dm . . . . D7 . . . . G . . . . G(V(---------tacet--------))

I’ll be home, I’ll be be-side the phone wait-ing for youuuuuuuuuuuu, oo oo oo oo oo oo

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To you I’m a toy, but I could be the boy you a-dore if you’d just let me know (ba-da-da)
Al-though you're un-true, I'm at-tracted to you all the more, Why do I need you so?
(hey, hey hey) Ba-by, ba-by, try to find (hey hey hey) a lit-tle time and I'll make you mi-ine
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Ending: I-I need you-u-u more than a-ny one, dar-ling,
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