

NINE THINGS

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(Chorus)

Amaj7 **E7sus4**
It's one, two, three, over the mountain.
Amaj7 **Am7/G**
Four, five, six, well, there's nothing we can't fix.
Dmaj7 **Dm6**
Seven, eight, nine, everything will turn out fine
Cmaj7 **E7**
And I hope you will remind me in the end,
Amaj7
'Cause you're still my friend.

Amaj7 **E7sus4**
If you had a chance to do it over
D6 **Dm6** **Amaj7**
And tell yourself nine things that you didn't know before,
E7sus4
Build yourself a life that's full of clover,
D6 **Dm6** **Amaj7**
Would I still be coming through your door?
G **Amaj7**
Nine things to change your life, nine to set you free,
G **E7**
Nine to make you happy, please let one of them be me.

If you sat right down and wrote yourself a letter
And dropped it in the post, special delivery through time,
And told yourself nine things to make it better,
What message would you pen upon each line?
Nine things of sorrow, nine to break your heart,
Nine ways to tomorrow, and one to make a start.

(Bridge)

G **D6** **Amaj7**
Nine things to save a life, nine things in a whirl,
G **D6** **E7**
Nine to save a planet, and one to save my world.

If we found a way to simply change them,
The nine things that have hurt us most across all of our years,
If we could reach out and rearrange them,
Would we find we're still the same without our tears?
Nine things once were broken, and nine things now are whole,
Nine messages now spoken, and one to save our soul.

(Chorus to coda)

Cmaj7 **E7**
And I hope you will remind me in the end,
Amaj7 **E7sus4**
You're still my friend.
Amaj7 **E7sus4**
You're still my friend.
Amaj7 **E7sus4** **Amaj7**
You're still my friend.

*My friend, Marty, posted on LiveJournal a meme about the ten things that you'd tell yourself if you had the opportunity to send a letter to your younger self. I thought this was an interesting idea, but that **nine** things sounded better. And here we are.*