

## Circle Game - Joni Mitchell

|C |F |C |C |C |F |G |G  
Yesterday a child came out to wonder caught a dragonfly inside a jar  
|C |F |Em |Em |F |G |C |C  
Fearful when the sky was full of thunder and tearful at the falling of a star

|C |F C |C  
And the seasons they go 'round and 'round and the painted  
|F C |F |F |C |C  
Ponies go up and down We're captive on a carousel of time

|F |F |Em |F  
We can't return we can only look behind from where we came  
|Em F |G |C |C  
And go round and round and round in the circle game

|C |F |C |C |C |F  
Then the child moved ten times round the seasons skated over ten clear  
|G |G |C |F |Em |Em  
Frozen streams words like "when you're older" must appease him  
|F |G |C |C  
And promises of "someday" make his dreams

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

|C |F |C |C |C |F  
Sixteen springs and sixteen summers gone now cartwheels turn to car wheels  
|G |G |C |F |Em |Em  
Through the town And they tell him "take your time it won't be long now" 'til  
|F |G |C |C |C |F  
You drag your feet to slow the circles down Years spin by and now the child is  
|C |C |C |F |G |G |C  
Twenty though his dreams have lost some grandeur coming true there'll be new  
|F |Em |Em |F |G |C |C  
Dreams maybe better dreams and plenty before the last revolving year is through

|C |F C |C |F C  
And the seasons they go 'round and 'round and the painted ponies go up and down  
|F |F |C |C |F |F  
We're captive on a carousel of time We can't return we can only look  
|Em |F |Em F |G  
Behind from where we came and go round and round and round in the  
|C |C |Em F |G |C  
Circle game And go round and round and round in the circle game