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Rooting for You

Verse 1

Let winter break
Let it burn 'til I see you again
I will be here with you
Just like I told you I would
I'd love to always love you
But I'm scared of loneliness
When I'm, when I'm alone with you

Chorus

I know it's hard
Only you and I
Is it all for me?
Because I know it's all for you
And I guess, I guess
It is hell and you are the only thing I've ever truly known
So, I hesitate, if I can act the same for you
And my darlin', I'll be rooting for you
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Verse 2

And where did she go?
Truth left us long ago
And I need her tonight because I'm scared of loneliness with you, baby
And I should let it go
But all that is left is my perspective, broken and so left behind again

Chorus

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Textual Analysis

“Rooting of You” is a song by the British band London Grammar. It was published in 2017.

Reading the title we can imagine that probably this song wants to send to the listener a message of support.

The text is divided into four stanzas: two verses and a chorus. The first stanza consists of seven lines; instead, the chorus is composed of nine line; and, finally, the third stanza consists of five lines.

In the Verse 1 the singer turns to to a mysterious "you". In the first two lines the songwriter’s intent is to create a strong image through the word "winter" and the verb "to burn", which are opposed to each other. The girl tells the person she loves that she will always be there for him or her but also that she is afraid of loneliness when they are together. By this last concept the woman probably means that for her he is not enough. In the chorus the singer asks a question: is their relationship everything for her? Then she adds that for the mysterious “you” it is. She also says that love is hell and he is the only thing she really knew, so she hesitates, wondering if she will be able to act for him/her in the same way. We can guess that the girl decides to support her “you” because the chorus ends with the phrase "And my darlin’, I’ll be rooting for you" repeated twice. The repetition gives greater incisiveness to the song. Finally, in Verse 2 the woman introduces the concept of truth. She needs it to overcome the night, a night tormented by fear of loneliness. She adds that perhaps she should let go of the truth and that now she is able to see only her own sad perspective.

The main topic present in this song is love. It, in fact, is the glue that allowed to insert in this text the topics of fear, loneliness and self-doubt.

The message of the song is: whatever happens, if you really love someone, you’ll feel compelled to support them.