

# Holding back the years – Simple red

The image shows a musical score for the song "Holding Back the Years" by Simple Red. It consists of seven staves of music in G major, with lyrics and guitar chords. The chords are indicated above the notes, and the lyrics are written below the staff lines. The score includes a first ending bracket over the final two staves.

**Staff 1:**  
 Chords: Dm9, G, Dm9, G  
 Lyrics: Hold-ing back the years think-ing of the fear I've had so long  
 Chords: E F E C D E F E C D D B G A

**Staff 2:**  
 Chords: Dm9, G, Dm9, G, Dm7, G  
 Lyrics: when some-bo-dy hears, lis-ten to the fear that's gone.  
 Chords: E F E C D C E F E C D D B

**Staff 3:**  
 Chords: Dm9, G, Dm9, G  
 Lyrics: Stran-gled by the wish-es of pa-ter, hop-ing for the  
 Chords: E F E C D D D B G E F E C

**Staff 4:**  
 Chords: Dm9, G, Dm7, G  
 Lyrics: arms of ma-ter, get to me the soon-er or lat-er.  
 Chords: D D B G E F E C D D D B G D

**Staff 5:**  
 Chords: Dm9, G, Dm9, G  
 Lyrics: I'll keep hold-ing on, I'll keep hold-ing on,  
 Chords: A E D C B A E D C B

**Staff 6:**  
 Chords: Dm9, G, Dm9, G, Dm7, G  
 Lyrics: I'll keep hold-ing on, I'll keep hold-ing on  
 Chords: A E D C B A E D C B

**Staff 7:**  
 Chords: Dm9, G, Dm9, G  
 Lyrics: so tight.  
 Chords: G A