

BURT BACHARACH

Alfie

Words by Hal David. Music by Burt Bacharach

Burt Bacharach studied for a time with Darius Milhaud (one of the group of French composers known as 'Les Six'), played in jazz bands, and then turned towards song writing. *Alfie* was written with his lyricist, Hal David, but did not appear in the 1966 film with Michael Caine, in fact, the original music was by Sonny Rollins.

Hints & Tips: When there are chords in the right hand after passages of single notes, keep the melodic line smooth by playing the chords gently. The first bar is a good example.

Very slow

C(add9)

G⁷sus⁴

Cmaj⁷

What's it all a-bout,
on - ly fools are kind,

Al - fie? Is it just for the mo - ment we
Al - fie, then I guess it is wise to be

Dm⁹

Em⁷

A⁷

live? What's it all a - bout when you sort it out, Al - fie?
cruel. And if life be - longs on - ly to the strong, Al - fie, what

F[#]dim⁷

1.

Dm⁷

G¹³

G⁹(#5)

Are we meant to take more than we give, or are we meant to be kind? And if
will you lend on an old gold-en rule? As

2.

Bm⁷

Cm⁷

Am⁷

Bm¹¹

Am⁷

D¹³

sure as I be - lieve there's a heav - en a - bove, Al - fie, I

15 Bm⁷ Cm⁷ Am⁷ F/G

know there's some-thing much more. Some-thing ev - en non - be - liev - ers

18 G¹³ C(add9) G^{7sus4}

can be - lieve in. I be-lieve in love, Al - fie.

21 F^{#m7(b5)} F⁷ Em⁷ Am⁷ F^{#m7(b5)} F⁷

With-out true love we just ex - ist, Al - fie. Un - til you find the love you've

24 Em⁷ Am⁷ D^{13(#11)} G^{7sus4} F^{#dim7} F⁷

missed you're noth-ing, Al - fie. When you walk let your heart lead the way and

28 G^{7sus4} C^{7(b9)} Cmaj⁹ rall. C^{7(b9)} Cmaj⁹

you'll find love an - y day, Al - fie, Al - fie.

gva