

# Telling Stories

by Tracy Chapman (2000)

*Em C G D Em C G D*

*Em* *C G* *D/F*  
There is fiction in the space between lines on a page, a memory

*Em C G D Em C G D*  
Write it down, but it doesn't mean you're not just telling stories

*Em* *C G* *D/F#*  
There is fiction in the space between you and reality

*Em C G D/F#*  
You would do and say anything to make your everyday life seem less mundane

*Em C G D Em C G D*  
There is fiction in the space between you and me.

*Em* *C G* *D/F#*  
There's a science fiction in the space between you and me

*Em C G D/F#*  
A fabrication, grand scheme. I am the scary monster

*Em C G D/F#*  
Need to say it as I leave the scene in my spaceship I am laughing

*Em C G D Em C G D*  
Your remembrance of a bad dream, there's no one but you standing.

*D D C G*  
Feel the pity and the pain for the ones who do not speak

*D D C Em*  
Back the words you get respect and compassion and for posterity

*C Em G(½) D/F#(½) Em Em Em*  
Spread the words and make believe there is truth in the space between.

*Em* *C G* *D/F#*  
There is fiction in the space between you and everybody

*Em C G D/F#*  
Give us all what we need. Give us one more sad, sordid story.

*Em C G D/F#*  
In the fiction of the space between sometimes a lie is the best thing

*Em C G D/F# Em C G D/F#*  
sometimes a lie is the best thing sometimes a lie is the best thing