

Fight this Feeling Comprehension

Lyrics

Oh, I can't fight this feeling any longer
And yet I'm still afraid to let it flow
What started out this friendship has grown stronger
I only wish I had the strength to let it show
I tell myself that I can't hold out forever
I said there is no reason for my fear
'Cause I feel so secure when we're together
You give my life direction
You make everything so clear

And even as I wander
I'm keeping you in sight
You're a candle in the window
On a cold, dark winter's night
And I'm getting closer than I ever thought I might

And I can't fight this feeling anymore
I've forgotten what I started fighting for
It's time to bring this ship into the shore
And throw away the oars, forever

'Cause I can't fight this feeling anymore
I've forgotten what I started fighting for
And if I have to crawl upon the floor
Come crushing through your door
Baby, I can't fight this feeling anymore

My life has been such a whirlwind since I saw you
I've been running around in circles in my mind
And it always seems that I'm following you, girl
'Cause you take me to the places
That alone I'd never find
And even as I wander
I'm keeping you in sight
You're a candle in the window
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Questions to consider

What feeling is the singer discussing in the first line? *Love*

Why would he fight the feeling of love? *In case it isn't reciprocated.*

What contrasting conjunction is used? *Yet*

Why is this used? *Even though the singer has these feelings, they are still scared to show it.*

Why is the singer scared? *In case the person doesn't feel the same and it ruins the friendship.*

What relationship is the person to the singer? *A friend*

What does the singer wish for?

Do you think the singer should tell the person? Why?

Do you think the singer has had these feelings for a long or short time? *Long time, as he says he can't hold out forever.*

How do you know he thought about telling the person a lot? *He reassures himself which makes us think he's talked about this a lot with himself.*

What does the word secure mean? *Certain to remain safe and unthreatened.*

How can you make someone feel secure? *You can do it by looking after them with food, money and clothes but also emotionally by paying them compliments and showing how much you care.*

Why is it important to have direction in life? *It is important to have goals and be surrounded by people who help you achieve them.*

How might someone 'make things clear'? *By not bringing drama or unneeded stress and worry.*

Where might the singer wander? *To different places with work or on tour as a singer.*

'Keeping you in sight' what does this phrase make you think? *It is the end goal, the target.*

What metaphor is used? *A candle in a dark, cold winter's night*

What does this metaphor represent? *That the person is the warmth needed when all is dark and cold around them.*

Do you think the singer is surprised to be getting closer to this person? *Yes, he says he's closer than he ever thought.*

What might this tell us about the singer? *He is modest and not confident as he doesn't feel he is worthy of someone so beautiful.*

Why can't he fight the feeling anymore? *He can hold back these feelings, he has to let the person know.*

What was he fighting with? *Himself and his fear of being rejected.*

Can you find the other metaphor used in the chorus? *The ship*

What is the ship a metaphor of? *The singer's heart coming home.*

How long is the ship coming home for? *How do you know? Forever, as he throws away the oars.*

What is interesting about this metaphor? *Ships do not have oars. Boats do. Moving a ship with oars would require a lot of effort, so perhaps it is a metaphor for the effort it took to express his feelings*

Why does he use the verb crawl? *To crawl is more difficult to walk so he is saying he would do anything to be with the person.*

Why might the singer's life be a whirlwind? *Ever since they met he can't stop thinking about her. He thinks about her constantly even though they are just friends*

What has he been going round in circles with? *Whether he should tell her about his feelings.*