

# Both Sides Now

*Joni Mitchell*

**Women:** Bows and flows of angel hair, and ice cream castles in the air  
And feather canyons everywhere,  
I've looked at clouds that way.

**Men:** But now they only block the sun, they rain and snow on everyone  
So many things I would have done,  
But clouds got in my way.

**All:** I've looked at clouds from both sides now  
From up and down and still somehow  
It's cloud's illusions I recall  
I really don't know clouds at all

**Women:** Moons and Junes and ferris wheels, the dizzy dancing way that you feel  
As every fairy tale comes real,  
I've looked at love that way.

**Men:** But now it's just another show, you leave 'em laughing when you go  
And if you care, don't let them know,  
Don't give yourself away.

**All:** I've looked at love from both sides now  
From give and take and still somehow  
It's love's illusions I recall  
I really don't know love at all

**Men:** Tears and fears and feeling proud, to say "I love you" right out loud  
Dreams and schemes and circus crowds,  
I've looked at life that way.

**Women:** But now old friends are acting strange, they shake their heads, they say I've  
changed  
Well something's lost, but something's gained  
In living every day.

**All:** I've looked at life from both sides now  
From win and lose and still somehow  
It's life's illusions I recall  
I really don't know life at all

**Repeat chorus**