

**#44 AHEAD BY A CENTURY 4/4 Key of D**  
*(Tragically Hip)*

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**INTRO RIFF (X4): D // Dsus2 / Dsus4/ D // // (see website for RIFF tutorial)**

**D**  
 First thing we'd climb a tree... and maybe then we'd talk

**D**  
 Or sit silently... and listen to our thoughts

**Cadd9** **D**  
 (1,2) With illusions of someday casting a golden light

**C** **D**  
 No dress rehearsal... this is our life **(INTRO RIFF X 2)**

**D** **Cadd9**  
 Then that's where the hornet stung me **(123)**

And I had a feverish **D** dream **(34,1)**, with revenge and doubt **Cadd9**

Tonight, we smoke them **D** ou-ou-ou-out **(4,1234)**

**A** You are ahead by a century **G** You are ahead by a century **A** You are ahead by a century  
**G/ G/ G/ (234)**

**(INTRO RIFF X 4)**

**D**  
 Stare in the morning shroud... and then the day began

**D**  
 I tilted your cloud... you tilted my hand

**Cadd9** **D**  
 Rain falls in real time And rain fell through the night

**C** **D/**  
 No dress rehearsal this is our life **(INTRO RIFF X2)**

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**G** **A** **G**  
**(1234, 1234)** You are ahead by a century You are ahead by a century

**A**  
 You are ahead by a century **G/ G/ G/**

And disappointing you's getting me down **(1234)** **INTRO RIFF X3... D/**

