

The lyrics to the song War's Not The Answer were co-written by Linda VanWaters, Bobby King and David Hughes. They were written in a hotel room at the Sheraton in Gretna, LA just across the river from New Orleans in 1977. The three of us were sitting on a bed discussing life after playing at the hotel club one night and we decided to write a song about our thoughts so we got a pencil and tablet and one of us wrote the first line. That person passed the tablet to the next person and then to the next person. We kept that sequence up without changing until we finished the song in about thirty minutes. I discovered the manuscript in 2012 hidden inside a folder with dozens of other songs and decided to write music for the lyrics. I don't remember who wrote the first line but the words are still valid for today's world. I got a chance to play it for Bobby King one day before he passed away but sadly Linda VanWaters was already gone.