

Intro: Chords for chorus

v1:

G Em
I am just a poor boy, though my story is seldom told.
D
I have squandered my resistance,
D7 D G Em
For a pocketful of mumbles, such are promises. All lies and jest;
D C G D D7 D G
Still, a man hears what he wants to hear and disregards the rest.

v2:

G Em
When I left my home and my family I was no more than a boy,
D
In the company of strangers,
D7 D G
In the quiet of the railway station, runnin' scared.
Em D C
Laying low, seeking out the poorer quarters,
G
Where the ragged people go.
D C D D7 G
Lookin' for the places, only they would know.

chorus:

Em Bm
Lie-la-lie, Lie-la-lie la lie-la-lie
Em D G
Lie la lie, Lie-la-lie la la la la lie la la la lie

v3:

G Em
Asking only workman's wages I come lookin' for a job,
D
But I get no offers,
D7 D G
Just a come-on from the whores on Seventh Avenue.
Em D C
I do declare there were times when I was so lonesome,
G D D7 D G G Em D G Em D C G
I took some comfort there. -- CHORUS

v4:

G
And I m laying out my winter clothes,
Em D
And wishing I was gone, goin home
D7 D G
Where the New York City winters aren t bleedin me,
Bm Em D
Leadin me goin home.

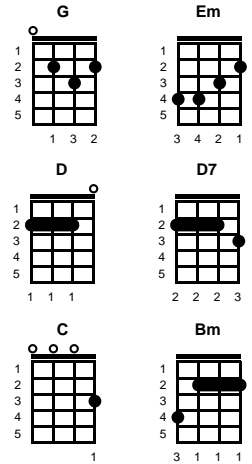
v5:

G Em
In the clearing stands a boxer, and a fighter by his trade,
D D7 D
And he carries the reminders, of every glove that laid him down,
G Em
Or cut him 'til he cried out in his anger and his shame,
D C
"I am leaving, I am leaving."
G D D7 D G
But the fighter still remains

ending:

Em Bm Em
Lie-la-lie, Lie-la-lie la lie-la-lie, Lie la lie
D
Lie-la-lie la la la la lie la la la lie 10x
D G
Lie-la-lie la la la la lie la la la lie

STANDARD



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