C	G7	C7	F	Dm	D7

RUDOLPH THE RED NOSED REINDEER

C
Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer,
                G7
Had a very shiny nose,

And if you ever saw it,
                       C
You would even say it glows.

C
All of the other reindeer,
                            G7
Used to laugh and call him names,

They never let poor Rudolph,
                      C   C7
Join in any reindeer games.

F   C   Dm   G7   C
Then one foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say,
G   D7   G7
"Rudolph with your nose so bright, won't you guide my sleigh Tonight?"

C
Then how the reindeer loved him,
                        G7
As they shouted out with glee,

"Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer,
                     C
You'll go down in history."

Rudolph came to life in 1939 when the Chicago-based Montgomery Ward company (operators of a chain of department stores) asked one of their copywriters, 34-year-old Robert L. May, to come up with a Christmas story they could give away to shoppers as a promotional gimmick. (The Montgomery Ward stores had been buying and giving away coloring books for Christmas every year, and May's department head saw creating a giveaway booklet of their own as a way to save money.) May, who had a penchant for writing children's stories and limericks, was tapped to create the booklet.