



Eddystone Light (G)

Traditional English (Burl Ives, The Weavers, Peter, Paul, and Mary)

Chorus

A A7 D7
Yo ho ho, the wind blows free
D D7 G
Oh, for a life on the rolling sea

D7 G
Oh, me father was the keeper of the Eddystone
C D G Light

And he courted a mermaid one fine night
G

From this union there came three

C D G
A porpoise and a porgy and the other was me.

Chorus

G
One night, while I was trimming of the glim¹
C D G
Singing a verse from the evening hymn

G
A voice from the starboard shouted, "Ahoy"

C D G
And there was me mother, a-sitting on the buoy

(Don't be ridiculous a boy is a juvenile male

C D G
No, a buoy, it guides the ships to sail)

Chorus

G
Tell me what has become of my children of
C D G three?

My mother she did ask of me

G
One was exhibited as a talking fish

C D G
And the other was served on a chafing dish

Chorus

G
Then the phosphorous flashed in her seaweed
C D G hair

G
I looked a-gain me mother wasn't there
Her voice came echoing out of the night

C D
"Well, the devil take keeper

G
of the Eddystone Light", **Chorus**

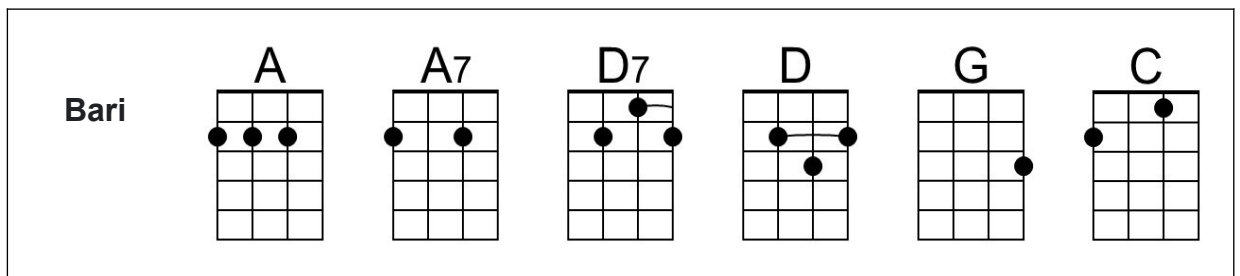
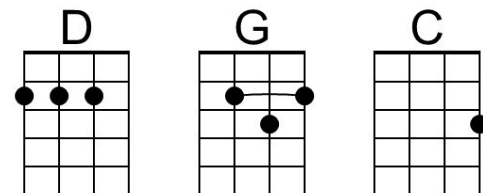
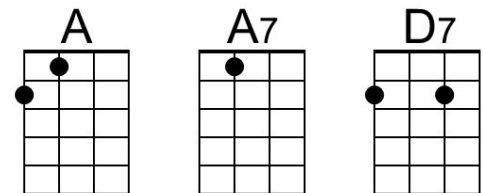
D7 G
Oh, the moral of the story
you'll learn when you find

C D
To leave God's creatures for what
G
nature had in mind,

G
For fishes are for cookin',
and mermaids are for tales,

C D
And seaweed is for sushi, and

G
protectin' is for whales. **Chorus**



¹ A "glim" is a candle or lantern

Eddystone Light (Traditional English) (Bb)

Eddystone Light by The Weavers

Sailor Hornpipe Intro

Bb Eb / Cm F / /

A-----1-----1-----1-----1-----3-----|-----3-----3-----3-----0-----|

E-----1-----1-----1-----1-----3-----|-----3-----3-----3-----3-----1--1--|

C--2-----2-----3--3--|-----3-----3-----|

G-----|-----|

F Bb
Oh, me father was the keeper of the Eddystone
Eb F Bb Light
And he courted a mermaid one fine night
Bb
From this union there came three
Eb F Bb
A porpoise and a porgy and the other was me.

Chorus

C C7 F
Yo ho ho, the wind blows free
F F7 Bb
Oh, for a life on the rolling sea

Bb
One night, while I was trimming of the glim²
Eb F Bb
Singing a verse from the evening hymn
Bb
A voice from the starboard shouted, "Ahoy"
Eb F Bb
And there was me mother, a-sitting on the buoy

Chorus

Bb
Tell me what has become of my children of
Eb F Bb three?
My mother she did ask of me
Bb
One was exhibited as a talking fish
Eb F Bb
And the other was served on a chafing dish.

Chorus

Bb
Then the phosphorous flashed in her seaweed
Eb F Bb hair
I looked a-gain me mother wasn't there
Bb
Her voice came echoing out of the night
Eb F
"Well, the devil take the keeper
Bb
of the Eddystone Light", **Chorus**

Bb
Oh, the moral of the story
you'll learn when you find
Eb F
To leave God's creatures for what
Bb
nature had in mind,
Bb
For fishes are for cookin',
and mermaids are for tales,
Eb F
And seaweed is for sushi,
Bb
and protectin' is for whales. **Chorus**

F Bb Eb

C C7 F7

Bari

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Eddystone Light (F)

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Chorus

G G7 C7
Yo ho ho, the wind blows free
C C7 F
Oh, for a life on the rolling sea

C7 F
Oh, me father was the keeper of the Eddystone
Bb C F Light
And he courted a mermaid one fine night
F
From this union there came three

Bb C F
A porpoise and a porgy and the other was me
Chorus

F
One night, while I was trimming of the glim³
Bb C F
Singing a verse from the evening hymn
F
A voice from the starboard shouted, "Ahoy"
Bb C F
And there was me mother, a-sitting on the buoy

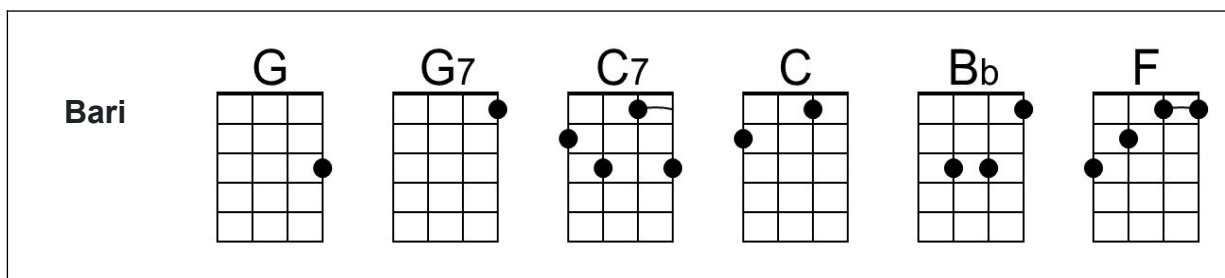
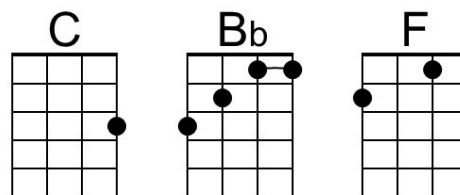
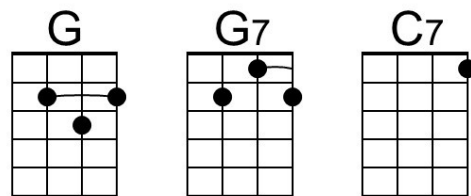
*(Don't be ridiculous a boy is a juvenile male
Bb C F
No, a buoy, it guides the ships to sail)*

Chorus

F
Tell me what has become of my children of
Bb C F three?
My mother she did ask of me
F
One was exhibited as a talking fish
Bb C F
And the other was served on a chafing dish
Chorus

F
Then the phosphorous flashed
in her seaweed hair
Bb C F
I looked a-gain me mother wasn't there
F
Her voice came echoing out of the night
Bb C
"Well, the devil take the keeper
F
of the Eddystone Light", **Chorus**

F
Oh, the moral of the story you'll
learn when you find
Bb C
To leave God's creatures for what
F
nature had in mind,
F
For fishes are for cookin', and
mermaids are for tales,
Bb C
And seaweed is for sushi,
F
and protectin' is for whales.
Chorus



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