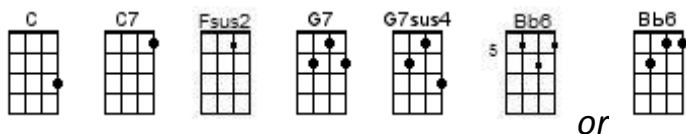


Ukulele Anthem

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Sid [C] Vicious played a four-string Fender [C7] bass guitar and couldn't sing
And [Fsus2] everybody hated him except [G7sus4] the ones who [G7] loved him
A [C] ukulele has four strings, but [C7] Sid did not play ukulele
[Fsus2] He did smack and probably killed his girl-[G7sus4]-friend Nancy [G7] Spungen

If [C] only Sid had had a [C7] ukulele, maybe he would have been happy
[Fsus2] Maybe he would not have [G7sus4] suffered such a [G7] sad end
He [C] maybe would have not done all that [C7] heroin instead
He maybe [Fsus2] would've sat around just singing [G7sus4] nice songs to his [G7] girlfriend

So [C] play your favourite cover song, [C7] especially if the words are wrong
'Cause [Fsus2] even if your grades are bad, it [G7sus4] doesn't mean you're [G7] failing
[C] Do your homework with a fork and [C7] eat your fruit loops in the dark
And [Fsus2] bring your etch-a-sketch to work and [G7sus4] play your uku-[G7]-lele

[Fsus2] Ukulele small and fierceful, [G7] ukulele brave and peaceful
[C] You can play the ukulele [Fsus2] too, it is painfully simple
[Fsus2] Play your ukulele badly, [G7] play your ukulele loudly
[Bb6] Ukulele banish evil, ukulele save the people
Ukulele gleaming golden [N/C] from the top of every steeple

[C] Lizzie Borden took an axe, and [C7] gave her mother forty whacks
Then [Fsus2] gave her father forty-one, and [G7sus4] left a tragic [G7] puzzle
If [C] only they had given her an [C7] instrument, those puritans
Had [Fsus2] lost the plot completely, see what [G7sus4] happens when you [G7] muzzle

[C] A person's creativity and [C7] do not let them sing and scream
And [Fsus2] nowadays it's worse 'cause kids have [G7sus4] automatic [G7] handguns
It [C] takes about an hour to teach some-[C7]-one to play the ukulele
[Fsus2] About the same to teach someone to [G7sus4] build a standard [G7] pipe bomb

So [C] play your favourite cover song, [C7] especially if the words are wrong
'Cause [Fsus2] even if your grades are bad, it [G7sus4] doesn't mean you're [G7] failing
[C] Do your homework with a fork and [C7] eat your fruit loops in the dark
And [Fsus2] bring your flask of jack to work and [G7sus4] play your uku-[G7]-lele

[Fsus2] Ukulele, thing of wonder, [G7] ukulele, wand of thunder
[C] You can play the ukulele, [Fsus2] too in London and down under
[Fsus2] Play Joan Jett, and play Jacques Brel, and [G7] Eminem and Neutral Milk Ho-
[Bb6] Tell the children, crush the hatred, play your ukulele naked
If anybody tries to steal your ukulele, [N/C] let them take it

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