

Folsom Prison Blues

Performance tips; special instructions.

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Intro = [F] [C7] [F] [F] (see tablature below)

C7 F F D D D D

I [F] hear the train a comin' it's rolling round the bend And I ain't seen the sunshine since [F7] I don't know when I'm [Bb] stuck in Folsom prison and time keeps draggin' [F] on [F] But that [C7] train keeps a rollin' on down to San An [F] ton

When [F] I was just a baby my mama told me son Always be a good boy don't [F7] every play with guns But I [Bb] shot a man in Reno just to watch him [F] die [F] Now when [C7] I hear that whistle blowin', I hang my head and [F] cry

Optional instrumental break

I [F] bet there's rich folks eating in a fancy dining car They're probably drinkin' coffee and [F7] smoking big cigars Well I [Bb] know I had it coming I know I can't be [F] free [F] but those [C7] people keep movin', and that's what tortures [F] me

Optional instrumental break

Well if they'd [F] free me from this prison, if that railroad train was mine, You'd bet I'd move on a little [F7] farther down the line [Bb] Far from Folsom prison that's where I want to [F] stay [F] And I'd [C7] let that lonesome whistle blow my blues a [F] way







