

Ra Ra Rasputin

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Riff 1 x4

Melody for intro and instrumental over the following chords:

Am /// Am /// Dm /// E7 / Am / x 2

[Am] Hey hey hey hey hey hey hey hey (x2)

[A] Hey hey [G] hey hey [F] hey hey [E7] hey hey (x2)

BOYS: [Am] There lived a certain man in Russia long ago

GIRLS: He was [Dm] big and strong, in his [E7] eyes a flaming [Am] glow

BOYS: Most people looked at him in terror and in fear

GIRLS: But to [Dm] Moscow chicks he was [E7] such a lovely [Am] dear

He could preach the bible like a preacher

[Dm] Full of ecstasy and [E7] fire

[Am] But he also was the kind of teacher

[Dm] Women [E7] would de- [Am] sire

Chorus:

ALL:

[A] Ra Ra [C] Rasputin, [D] lover of the [A] Russian queen

[G] There was a [D] cat that [A] really was gone

Ra Ra [C] Rasputin, [D] Russia's greatest [A] love machine

[G] It was a [D] shame how [A] he carried on

BOYS: [Am] He ruled the Russian land and never mind the Czar

GIRLS: But the [Dm] kasachok he danced [E7] really wunder- [Am] bar

BOYS: In all affairs of state he was a man to please

GIRLS: But he [Dm] was real great when he [E7] had a girl to [Am] squeeze

For the queen he was no wheeler dealer

[Dm] Though she'd heard the things he'd [E7] done

[Am] She believed he was a holy healer

[Dm] Who would [E7] heal her [Am] son

Chorus

BOYS, spoken:

[Am] But when his drinking and [G] lusting and his hunger
for [F] power became [G] known to more and [Am] more people,

[add GIRLS, quietly at first, getting louder: Hey hey etc...]

the demands to do something [G] about this outrageous

man [F] became [G] louder and [Am] louder.

ALL, getting louder: [Am] Hey hey hey hey hey hey hey hey

Hey hey hey hey hey STOP!

Instrumental:

Melody for intro and instrumental over the following chords:

Am /// Am /// Dm /// E7 / Am / x 2

BOYS: [Am] "This man's just got to go," declared his enemies

GIRLS: But the [Dm] ladies begged, "Don't you [E7] try to do it, [Am] please"

BOYS: No doubt this Rasputin had lots of hidden charms

GIRLS: Though he [Dm] was a brute they just [E7] fell into his [Am] arms

Then one night some men of higher standing

[Dm] Set a trap they're not to [E7] blame [BOYS: We're not to blame; we're not to blame!]

[Am] "Come to visit us," they kept demanding

[Dm] And he [E7] really [Am] came

As chorus:

ALL: [A] Ra Ra [C] Rasputin, [D] lover of the [A] Russian queen

[G] They put some [D] poison [A] into his wine

[A] Ra Ra [C] Rasputin, [D] Russia's greatest [A] love machine

[G] He drank it [D] all and [A] said "I feel fine"

[A] Ra Ra [C] Rasputin, [D] lover of the [A] Russian queen

[G] They didn't [D] quit, they [A] wanted his head

Ra Ra [C] Rasputin, [D] Russia's greatest [A] love machine

[G] And so they [D] shot him [A] till he was dead [till he was dead] [till he was dead]

[Hah! Hah! Hah! Hah!]

Spoken: Oh, those Russians...

Riff 1:

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Melody for intro and instrumental:

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