

Five Little Ducks – As Performed by Ewan Wardrop

Performed at Tri-City Vogue's Ukulele Cabaret at the Albany, Deptford on Sunday 29 September 2013.

C F G
Five little ducks went swimming one day, over the hills and far away.

C F G7 C F G7 C
Mommy Duck said “Quack Quack Quack Quack,” but only four little ducks came back.

(Dramatic strumming)

Am Dm G7
“It’s all my fault,” cried Mommy Duck, as she descended into helpless grief.

Am / *(Spoken)*
Daddy Duck said “Quack Quack Quack Quack.”

G7 C F G7 C
“Oh, god, you can be an insensitive bastard sometimes” ...Mommy Duck said back.

C F G
Four little ducks went swimming one day, over the hills and far away.

C F G7 C
Mommy Duck said “Quack Quack Quack Quack,” but only three little ducks came back.

(Dramatic strumming)

Am Dm G7
“Oh my god it’s happened again,” whispered Mommy Duck in disbelief.

Am / *(Spoken)*
Daddy Duck said “Quack Quack Quack Quack.”

“I KNOW,” said Mommy Duck, “You don’t have to keep freakin GOING ON ABOUT IT.” F G7 C

C F G
Three little ducks went swimming one day, over the hills and far away.

C F G7 C C F G
Mommy duck said “Quack Quack Quack Quack,” but only two little ducks came back.

(Dramatic strumming)

Am Dm/Spoken
Daddy Duck leveled with Mommy Duck. "Look, I hate myself for even thinking this, but... are you doing this on purpose?"

Am/Spoken Dm
"Oh BUG OFF" said Mommy Duck. "I'm , I'm sorry, I just... had to ask..."

G7 C C G7 C
"Look, just leave it, Spencer. Okay?" ...Mommy Duck said back.

C F G
Two little ducks went swimming one day, over the hills and far away.

C F G7 C
Mommy duck said "Quack Quack Quack Quack," but only one little duck came back.

(Dramatic Strumming)

Am Dm G7
By this point Daddy Duck had gone, and was being looked after by his ex-wife with whom he was still good friends.

Am (Spoken) F G7 C
Mommy Duck cradled her only son. "I'll never let you go from my side," she promised.

C F G
One little duck went swimming one day, over the hills and far away.

C F G7 C
Mommy duck said "Quack Quack Quack Quack," but no little ducks came swimming back.

(Spoken) Dm G7
"Crap." Said Mommy Duck. And then wandered from empty room to empty room.

Am Dm G7 C
And sat, lost in her private thoughts, for what seemed like an eternity.

(slowly, sad)

C F G
Mommy Duck went swimming one day, over the hills and far away.

C F G7 C
She shouted out, "Quack Quack Quack Quack.."and all her baby ducks came back.

C F G
She clutched them close and with astonishment cried, "My Babies! Where have you been?"

C/Spoken F G7 C
"SWIMMING," they said! (Not altogether helpfully.)

(Dramatic Single Strum)

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There came a knock at the old front door.

(Spoken)

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It was Spencer. He looked different. Somehow older than before.

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They both stared at the ground, neither really knowing the rules anymore.

“The children are back,” said Mommy Duck. “Quack,” said Spencer.

(Abruptly) Thank You! (THE END)