

INTRO: C///, C///, C///, C///

[C] 1 beat

4/4 Time

1. [C] I am just a poor boy though my story's seldom [Am] told
I have [G] squandered my resistance
For a [F] pocket full of [G7] mumbles such are [C] promises [C///] [C]
All lies and [Am] jest, still a [G] man hears what he [F] wants to hear
And disregards the [C] rest,
Ooo-oo [G] oo-oo-oo-[G] ooo [G7] oo oo-oo [C] oo [C///] [C///] [C//]
2. When I [C] left my home and my family I was no more than a [Am] boy
In the [G] company of strangers
In the [F] quiet of the [G7] railway station, [C] running scared [C///] [C/]
Laying [Am] low, seeking [G] out the poorer [F] quarters,
Where the ragged people [C] go
Looking [G] for the places [F] only they would [C] know [C/]

La la [Am] lie... La la [Em] la la lie la lie, La la [Am] lie...
La la [F] la la lie la [G7] lie, la la la la [C///] lie [C///] [C///] [C/]
3. Asking [C] only workman's wages I come looking for a [Am] job
But I get no [G] offers [G//]
Just a [F] come-on from the [G7] whores on Seventh [C] Avenue [C///] [C]
I do de-[Am] clare, there were [G] times that I was [F] so lonesome
I took some comfort [C] there
La la [G] la la la la [G] laa [G7///] [C///] [C///] [C///] [C/]
4. Now the [C] years are rolling by me, they are rocking even-[Am] ly
I am [G] older than I once was
And [F] younger than I'll [G7] be that's not un-[C] usual [C///] [C]
No it isn't [Am] strange, after [G] changes upon [F] changes
We are more or less the [C] same
After [G] changes we are [F] more or less the [C] same [C/]

La la [Am] lie... La la [Em] la la lie la lie, La la [Am] lie...
La la [F] la la lie la [G7] lie, la la la la [C///] lie [C///] [C///] [C/]

5. Then I'm [C] laying out my Winter clothes and wishing I was [Am] gone,
Going [G///] home [G//-- /] Where the [F] New York city [G7] winters
Aren't [C] bleeding me [C///] [Em] leading me-[Am] ee
[Am] To going [G///] home [G///] [G7///] [C///] [C///] [C///] [C//]

6. In the [C] clearing stands a boxer and a fighter by his [Am] trade
And he [G] carries the reminders
Of [F] every glove that [G] laid him down or [C] cut him.. till he cried out
[C] In his anger and his [Am] shame
"I am [G] leaving, I am [F] leaving" But the fighter still re-[C] mains
Yes he still re-[G] mains [G///] [G7///] [C///] [C/]

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La la la la [Am] lie...

La la [Em] la la lie la lie, La la [Am] lie... La la [F] la la lie la [G7] lie,
La la la la [Am] lie...

La la [Em] la la lie la lie, La la [Am] lie... La la [F] la la lie la [G7] lie,
La la la la [C///] lie

[C///] [G///] [G7///] [F///] [G7///] [C///] [C ~~~]

