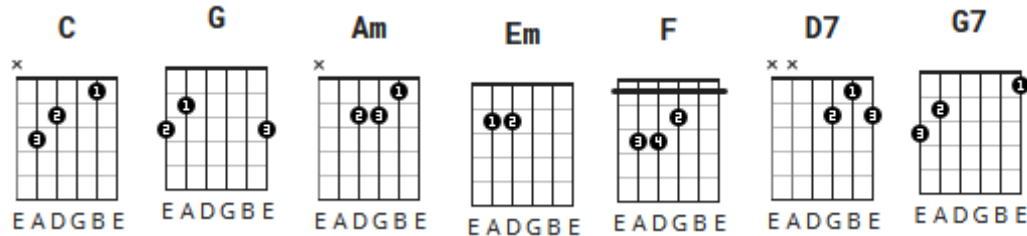


Streets of London

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Key: C

Chords:



[Intro]

C G Am Em F C G C

[Verse 1]

C G Am Em
Have you seen the old man in the closed-down market
F C D7 G7
Kicking up the paper with his worn-out shoes?
C G Am Em
In his eyes you see no pride, hand held loosely at his side
F C G7 C
Yesterday's paper telling yesterday's news

[Chorus]

F Em C Am
So how can you tell me you're lo - ne - ly
D7 G G7
And say for you that the sun don't shine?
C G Am Em
Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the streets of London
F C G7 C [Instrum] C G Am G
I'll show you something to make you change your mind

[Verse 2]

C G Am Em
Have you seen the old gal who walks the streets of London
F C F G7
Dirt in her hair and her clothes in rags?
C G Am Em
She's no time for talking, she just keeps right on walking
F C G7 C
Carrying her home in two carrier bags

[Chorus]

F Em C Am
So how can you tell me you're lo - ne - ly

D7 **G** **G7**
 And say for you that the sun don't shine?
C **G** **Am** **Em**
 Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the streets of London
F **C** **G7** **C** [Instrum] **C G Am Em F C G C**
 I'll show you something to make you change your mind

[Verse 3]

C **G** **Am** **Em**
 In the all-night cafe at a quarter past eleven
F **C** **F** **G7**
 Same old man sitting there on his own
C **G** **Am** **Em**
 Looking at the world over the rim of his tea-cup
F **C** **G7** **C**
 Each tea lasts an hour, then he wanders home alone

[Chorus]

F **Em** **C** **Am**
 So how can you tell me you're lo - ne - ly
D7 **G** **G7**
 And say for you that the sun don't shine?
C **G** **Am** **Em**
 Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the streets of London
F **C** **G7** **C** [Instrum] **C G Am G**
 I'll show you something to make you change your mind

[Verse 4]

C **G** **Am** **Em**
 Have you seen the old man outside the seaman's mission?
F **C** **F** **G7**
 Memory fading with the medal ribbons that he wears
C **G** **Am** **Em**
 And in our winter city the rain cries a little pity
F **C** **G7** **C**
 For one more forgotten hero and a world that doesn't care

[Chorus]

F **Em** **C** **Am**
 So how can you tell me you're lo - ne - ly
D7 **G** **G7**
 And say for you that the sun don't shine?
C **G** **Am** **Em**
 Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the streets of London
F **C** **G7** **C**
 I'll show you something to make you change your mind

[Outro] **C F G C**