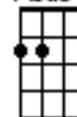


Cat's in the Cradle Harry Chapin (1974)



INTRO: [A] [Asus4] [A] [Asus4]

Asus4



My [A] child arrived just the [C] other day
He [D] came to the world in the [A] usual way
But there were [A] planes to catch and [C] bills to pay
He [D] learned to walk while I [A] was away
And he was [G] talkin' 'fore I knew it and [Em] as he grew
He'd say [C] I'm gonna [Em] be like [A7] you dad
You [C] know I'm gonna [Em] be like [A] you [Asus4]

Chorus: And the [A] cat's in the cradle and the [G] silver spoon
[C] Little boy blue and the [D] man in the moon
[A] When you comin' home dad I [G] don't know when
But [C] we'll get to-[Em]-gether [A7] then son
You [C] know we'll have a [Em] good time [A] then [Asus4]

My [A] son turned ten just the [C] other day
He said [D] Thanks for the ball Dad come [A] on let's play
[A] Can you teach me to throw I said [C] not today
I got a [D] lot to do he said [A] that's OK
And he [G] walked away but his [Em] smile never dimmed
And said [C] I'm gonna [Em] be like [A7] him yeah
You [C] know I'm gonna [Em] be like [A] him [Asus4]

Repeat Chorus

Well he [A] came from college just the [C] other day
So [D] much like a man I just [A] had to say
[A] Son I'm proud of you can you [C] sit for a while
He [D] shook his head and [A] he said with a smile
What I'd [G] really like Dad is to [Em] borrow the car keys
[C] See you [Em] later can I [A] have them please [Asus4]

Repeat Chorus

I've [A] long since retired my [C] son's moved away
I [D] called him up just the [A] other day
I said I'd [A] like to see you if [C] you don't mind
He said I'd [D] love to Dad if I could [A] find the time
You see my [G] new job's a hassle and the [Em] kids have the flu
But it's [C] sure nice [Em] talking to [A7] you Dad
It's been [C] sure nice [Em] talking to [A] you [Asus4]
And as I [G] hung up the phone it oc-[Em]-curred to me
He'd [C] grown up [Em] just like [A7] me,
My [C] boy was [Em] just like [A] me [Asus4]

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