

Maxwell's Silver Hammer

Beatles



[C] [D7] [G7] [Dm] [G7] [C! G7! C! -]

[C] Joan was quizzical, [A7] studied metaphysical [Dm] science in the home,
[G7] late night all alone with a test tube, [C] oh, oh, oh, [G] oh.

[C] Maxwell Edison, [A7] majoring in medicine, [Dm] calls her on the phone.

[G7] Can I take you out to the pictures, [C] Jo-o-o- [G]oan?

But, [D7!] as she's getting [D7!] ready to go,

a [G7!] knock comes [G7!] on the [G7!] door [tap tap tap]

Chorus: [C]Bang! Bang! Maxwell's silver hammer

came [D7]down upon her/her/his head.

[G7]Bang! Bang! Maxwell's silver hammer

made [Dm]sure that [G7]she was [C!]dead [G7! C!]

[C] Back in school again, [A7] Maxwell plays the fool again,

[Dm] teacher gets annoyed.

[G7] Wishing to avoid an unpleasant [C] sce-e-e-[G]ene.

[C] She tells Max to stay [A7] when the class has gone away,

[Dm] so he waits behind.

[G7] Writing fifty times "I must not be [C] so-o-o-[G]oo.

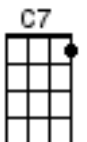
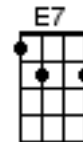
But, [D7!] when she turns her [D7!] back on the boy,

he [G7!] creeps up [G7!] from be- [G7!]hind [tap tap tap]

Repeat Chorus

[C] [D7] [G7] [Dm] [G7] [C! G7! C! -]

[C!] [E7!] [Am!] [C7!] [F!!C!!] [- G7! C!]



[C] P.C. thirty-one [A7] said "We've caught a dirty one.",

[Dm] Maxwell stands alone.

[G7] Painting testimonial pictures, [C] oh, oh, oh, [G] oh.

[C] Rose and Valerie, [A7] screaming from the gallery,

[Dm] say he must go free. (Maxwell must go free)

[G7] The judge does not agree. And he tells them [C] so-o-o-[G]oo.

But, [D7!] as the words are [D7!] leaving his lips,

a [G7!] noise came [G7!] from be- [G7!]hind [tap tap tap]

Repeat Chorus

[C] [D7] [G7] [Dm] [G7] [C! G7! C!]

[C!]Sil- [E7!]ver [Am!]Ham- [C7!]mer [F!!C!!] [- G7! C!]