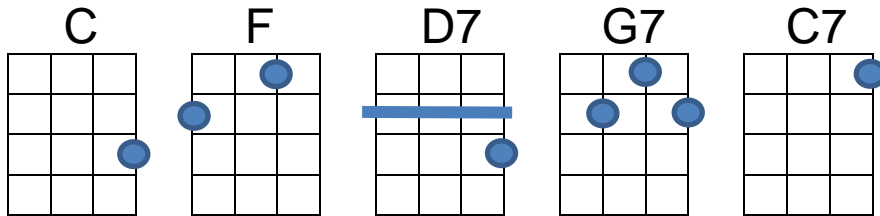


My Old Man's A Dustman

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(Spoken – Key G)

(C) Now here's a little (F) story, to (D7) tell it is a (G7) must,
(C) About an unsung (F) hero, that (D7) moves away your (G7) dust,
(G7) Some people make a (C) fortune, (G7) other's earn a (C) mint,
(G7) My old man don't (C) earn much, in (D7) fact he's flipping (G7) skint.

(G7) Oh! **(Key E)**

(C) My old man's a dustman he wears a dustman's (G7) hat,
He wears cor blimey trousers and he lives in a council (C) flat,
He looks a proper narner in his (C7) great big hob nailed (F) boots,
(G7) He's got such a job to pull em up that he calls them daisy (C) roots.

(C) Some folks give tips at Christmas and some of them (G7) forget,
So when he picks their bins up he spills some on the (C) steps,
Now one old man got nasty and (C7) to the council (F) wrote,
(G7) Next time my old man went round there he punched him up the (C)
throat.

(G7) Oh! (C) My old man's a dustman he wears a dustman's (G7) hat
He wears cor blimey trousers and he lives in a council (C) flat.

(Spoken) I say, I say, I say, I found a police dog in my dustbin,
(How do you know he's a police dog?) He had a policeman with him!

(C) Though my old man's a dustman he's got a heart of (G7) gold,
He got married recently though he's 86 years (C) old,
We said "Ear! Hang on Dad, you're (C7) getting past your (F) prime",
(G7) He said "Well when you get to my age it helps to pass the (C) time",
(G7) Oh! (C) My old man's a dustman he wears a dustman's (G7) hat,
He wears cor blimey trousers and he lives in a council (C) flat.

My Old Man's a Dustman continued:

(Spoken) I say, I say, I say, My dustbins full of lillies,
(Well throw 'em away then) I can't Lilly's wearing them.

(C) Now one day while in a hurry he missed a lady's (G7) bin,
He hadn't gone but a few yards when she chased after (C) him,
"What game do you think you're playing" she (C7) cried right from the (F)
heart,
(G7) "You've missed me...am I too late?", "No... jump up on the (C) cart".
(G7) Oh! (C) My old man's a dustman he wears a dustman's (G7) hat,
He wears cor blimey trousers and he lives in a council (C) flat.

(Spoken) I say, I say, I say, (What you again!) My dustbin's absolutely full
with toadstools,
(How do you know it's full) 'Cos there's not mush-room inside!

(C) He found a tiger's head one day, nailed to a piece of (G7) wood,
The tiger looked quite miserable but I suppose it (C) should,
Just then from out a window, a (C7) voice began to (F) wail,
(G7) He said "Oi! Where's me tiger's head", Four foot from its' (C) tail!!!

(G7) Oh!
(C) My old man's a dustman he wears a dustman's (G7) hat,
He wears cor blimey trousers and he lives in a council (C) flat,
Next time you see a dustman (C7) looking all pale and (F) sad,
(G7) Don't kick him in the dustbin, it might be my -- old -- (C) dad!