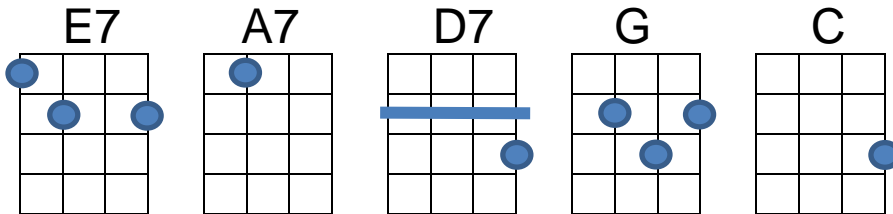


Swinging on a Star

Written by: Jimmy Van Heusen and Johnny Burke - 1944

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(*) = Single Strum



Would you (E7) like to swing on a (A7) star,
Carry (D7) moonbeams home in a (G) jar,
And be (E7) better off than you (A7) are,
(*D7) Or would you rather be a (G) mule.

A (G) mule is an (C) animal with (G) long funny (C) ears,
He (G) kicks up at (C) anything he (G) hears,
His (A7) back is brawny but his (D7) brain is weak,
He's (A7) just plain stupid with a (D7) stubborn streak,
And by the (G) way, if you (C) hate to go to (G) school, (E7)
(A7) You may grow (D7) up to be a (G) mule.

Would you (E7) like to swing on a (A7) star,
Carry (D7) moonbeams home in a (G) jar,
And be (E7) better off than you (A7) are,
(*D7) Or would you rather be a (G) pig.

A (G) pig is an (C) animal with (G) dirt on his (C) face,
His (G) shoes are a (C) terrible (G) disgrace,
He (A7) has no manners when he (D7) eats his food,
He's (A7) fat and lazy and (D7) extremely rude,
But if you (G) don't care a (C) feather or a (G) fig, (E7)
(A7) You may grow (D7) up to be a (G) pig.

Would you (E7) like to swing on a (A7) star,
Carry (D7) moonbeams home in a (G) jar,
And be (E7) better off than you (A7) are,
(*D7) Or would you rather be a (G) fish.

A (G) fish won't do (C) anything, but (G) swim in a (C) brook,
He (G) can't write his (C) name or read a (G) book,
To (A7) fool the people is his (D7) only thought,
And (A7) though he's slippery, he (D7) still gets caught,
But then if (G) that sort of (C) life is what (G) you wish, (E7)
(A7) You may grow (D7) up to be a (G) fish.

And all the (E7) monkeys aren't in the (A7) zoo,
Every (D7) day you meet quite a (G) few,
So you (E7) see it's all up to (A7) you,
(D7) You can be better than you (E7) are,
You could be (D7) swinging on a (G) star.