

# Dirty Old Town

(Ewan MacColl, 1952)

**INTRO:** C F G7 C↓

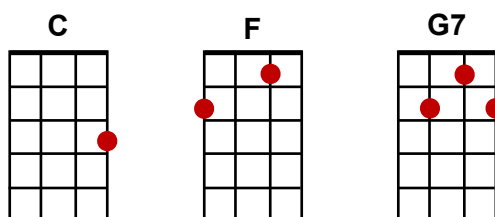
I found my love by the gasworks croft,  
Dreamed a dream by the old canal,  
Kissed my girl by the factory wall,  
Dirty old town, dirty old town.

I'm going to make a good sharp axe,  
Shining steel tempered in the fire,  
I'll chop you down like an old dead tree,  
Dirty old town, dirty old town.

I heard a siren from the docks,  
Saw a train set the night on fire,  
Smelled the spring on the smoky wind,  
Dirty old town, dirty old town.

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Dreamed a dream by the old canal,  
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Clouds are drifting across the moon,  
Cats are prowling on their beat,  
Spring's a girl in the street at night,  
Dirty old town, dirty old town.



*Harmonica instrumental*