

Johnny Cash, 1953

Intro: Strum G, leader count out, or George lead in (4)

G
I hear the train a comin'...it's rolling round the bend
G7
And I ain't seen the sunshine since I don't know when
C **G (8)**
I'm stuck in Folsom prison...and time keeps draggin' on
D7 **G (4)**
But that train keeps a rollin'...on down to San An-ton

G
When I was just a baby...my mama told me son (son)
G7
Always be a good boy...don't ever play with guns
C **G (8)**
But I shot a man in Reno...just to watch him die
D7 **G (4)**
When I hear that whistle blowin'...I hang my head and cry

G
I bet there's rich folks eating in a fancy dining car
G7
They're pro'bly drinkin' coffee...and smoking big cigars
C **G (8)**
Well I know I had it coming...I know I can't be free
D7 **G (4)**
But those people keep a-movin'...and that's what tortures me

G
Well if they'd free me from this prison, if that railroad train was mine
G7
I bet I'd move it on a little farther down the line
C **G(8)**
Far from Folsom prison...that's where I want to stay
D7 **G(4)(3) G↓ G**
And I'd let that lonesome whistle...blow my blues a-way