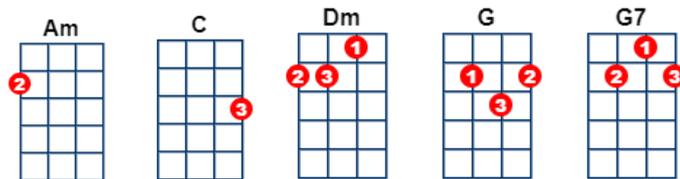


Blow The Man Down – Traditional (1860)



[C] As I was [Am] a-walking down [C] Paradise [Am] Street.
[C] Way, [Am] hey, [Dm] blow the man [G] down.
[Dm] A pretty, young [G] damsel I [Dm] chanced for to [G] meet.
[G7] Give me some time to [C] blow the man down.

[C] She was round in the [Am] counter and [C] bluff in the [Am] bow.
[C] Way, [Am] hey, [Dm] blow the man [G] down.
[Dm] So, I took in all [G] sail and cried "[Dm] Way enough [G] now!"
[G7] Give me some time to [C] blow the man down.

[C] I hailed her in [Am] English, she [C] answered me [Am] clear.
[C] Way, [Am] hey, [Dm] blow the man [G] down.
[Dm] I'm from the Black [G] Arrow, [Dm] bound to the Shakes[G]peare.
[G7] Give me some time to [C] blow the man down.

[C] She says to me [Am] "Will you [C] stand me a [Am] treat?"
[C] Way, [Am] hey, [Dm] blow the man [G] down.
[Dm] "Delighted" says [G] I "for a [Dm] charmer so [G] sweet."
[G7] Give me some time to [C] blow the man down.

[C] So, I tailed her my [Am] flipper and [C] took her in [Am] tow.
[C] Way, [Am] hey, [Dm] blow the man [G] down.
[Dm] And yardarm to [G] yardarm, [Dm] away we did [G] go.
[G7] Give me some time to [C] blow the man down.

[C] I bought her a two [Am] shilling [C] dinner in [Am] town.
[C] Way, [Am] hey, [Dm] blow the man [G] down.
[Dm] And trinkets and [G] laces and [Dm] bonnet and [G] gown.
[G7] Give me some time to [C] blow the man down.

[C] We walked and we [Am] talked and her [C] name it was [Am] Gwen.
[C] Way, [Am] hey, [Dm] blow the man [G] down.
[Dm] I kissed her a [G] couple and [Dm] kissed her [G] again.
[G7] Give me some time to [C] blow the man down.

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[C] I says, "Will you [Am] marry a [C] seafaring [Am] man?"

[C] Way, [Am] hey, [Dm] blow the man [G] down.

[Dm] She says, "I'll ask [G] Mother to [Dm] see if I [G] can."

[G7] Give me some time to [C] blow the man down.

[C] Along comes a [Am] sailor, they [C] call him Half [Am] Ton,

[C] Way, [Am] hey, [Dm] blow the man [G] down.

[Dm] He says to her "[G] Mother" she [Dm] murmurs "My [G] son!"

[G7] Give me some time to [C] blow the man down.

[C] She says to him "[Am] Son, here is [C] your new [Am] daddy."

[C] Way, [Am] hey, [Dm] blow the man [G] down.

[Dm] But I says "I'm [G] bound for the [Dm] rolling [G] sea."

[G7] Give me some time to [C] blow the man down.