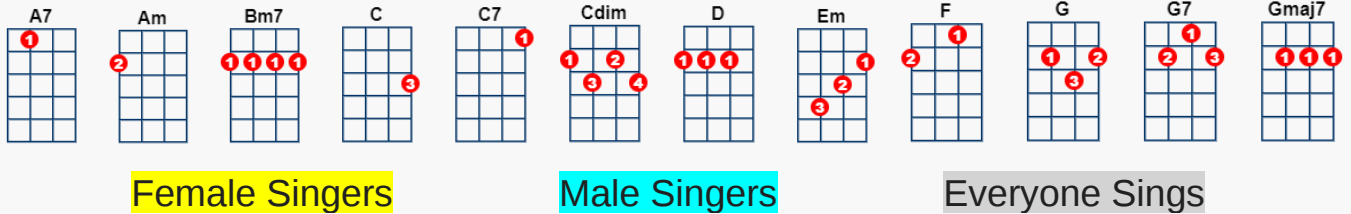


The Onion Song – Marvin Gaye & Valerie Simpson (Tammi Terrell)



(Intro) The [G] world is [G7] just a [C] great big [Am] onion.

[Am] And pain and [G] fear, are the [Em] spices that make you [Am] cry.
 [D] Oh, and the [Gmaj7] only way to get [G7] rid, of this [C] great big [Am] onion;
 Is to [Bm7] plant [Em] love [Am] seeds, until it [F] dies, uh [C] huh.

Hey [G] world! We got a [F] great big [C] job to [G] do.
 [F] Yeah, [C] we need [G] you and every[F]body [C] pull us [G] through. [G7]
 Don't you know we've got to [C] clean up this place,
 And [Cdim] reach for a higher [Em] goal, yeah.

Yes, we [A7] do now. We gotta [G] be headstrong, about [Em] rightin' the wrong,
 And make a [F] mountain of happy [D] souls, oh,

[D7] Oh! The [G] world is [G7] just a [C] great big [Am] onion,
 And [G] I don't care; it's the [Em] face people like to [Am] wear.

Yes it [D] is now.
 Oh, and the [Gmaj7] only way to get [G7] rid, of this [C] great big [Am] onion;
 [Bm7] Every [Em] single [Am] soul's, got to do their [F] share, uh! [C] huh!

So come [G] on, let's [F] knock on [C] every [G] door.
 [F] Tell them; [C] love is the [G] answer;
 [F] Whether they're [C] rich or [G] poor, [G7] oh yeah.
 For we don't [C] care, what you do, how you [Cdim] look,
 Or your status [Em] claim, baby.

(Valerie): [A7] No no. Because [G] brothers and sisters, [Em] from now on,
 Is [F] gonna be everybody's [D] name, Oh! Oh!

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 (Valerie) Is to [Bm7] plant [Em] love [Am] seeds, until it [F] dies, uh [C] huh.
 (Marvin): Now everybody, got to [Bm7] plant [Em] love [Am] seeds.
 (Valerie): Come on and [Bm7] plant [Em] love [Am] seeds,
 (Marvin): until it [F] dies, [C]

(Outro) The [G] world is [G7] just a [C] great big [Am] onion.