City of New Orleans

F   C   Dm   Bb   G   Am   C7   G7   Cm   Gm
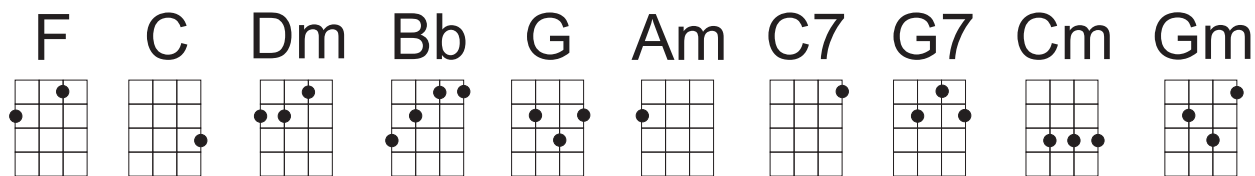
[F] Riding on the [C] City of New [F] Orleans
[Dm] Illinois Central [Bb] Monday morning [F] rail
[F] Fifteen cars and [C] fifteen restless [F] riders
[Dm] Three conductors and [C] twenty five sacks of [F] mail
All a[Dm]long the south bound odyssey the [Am] train pulls out of Kankakee
[C] Rolls along past houses farms and [G] fields
[Dm] Passing trains that have no name [Am] freight yards full of old black men
And the [C] graveyards of [C7] rusted automo[F]biles

Chorus:
[Bb] Good morning A[C]merica how [F] are you
Say [Dm] don't you know me [Bb] I'm your native [F] son
[C] I'm the [F] train they call the [C] City of New [Dm] Orleans [G7]
I'll be [Cm] gone five [Gm] hundred [C] miles when the day is [F] done

[F] Dealing card games with the [C] old men in the [F] club car
[Dm] Penny a point ain't [Bb] no one keeping [F] score
[F] Pass the paper [C] bag that holds the [F] bottle
[Dm] Feel the wheels [C] rumbling 'neath the [F] floor
And the [Dm] sons of Pullman porters and the [Am] sons of engineers
Ride their [C] father's magic carpets made of [G] steel
[Dm] Mothers with their babes asleep [Am] rocking to the gentle beat
And the [C] rhythm of the [C7] rails is all they [F] feel

Chorus

[F] Night time on the [C] City of New [F] Orleans
[Dm] Changing cars in [Bb] Memphis Tenne[F]ssee
[F] Half way home [C] we'll be there by [F] morning
Through the [Dm] Mississippi darkness [C] rolling down to the [F] sea
But [Dm] all the towns and people seem to [Am] fade into a bad dream
And the [C] steel rail still ain't heard the [G] news
The con[Dm]ductor sings his songs again
The [Am] passengers will please refrain
This [C] train got the disa[C7]ppearing railroad [F] blues

[Bb] Good night A[C]merica how [F] are you
Say [Dm] don't you know me [Bb] I'm your native [F] son
[C] I'm the [F] train they call the [C] City of New [Dm] Orleans [G7]
I'll be [Cm] gone five [Gm] hundred [C] miles when the day is [F] done
I'll be [Cm] gone five [Gm] hundred [C] miles when the day is [F] done