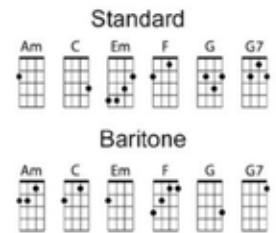




# The Boxer

Simon and Garfunkel

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/ = number of counts  
All chords receive 4 counts



**Intro:** [C]//// [C]////

[C] I am just a [C] poor boy though my [C] story's seldom [Am] told  
I have [G] squandered my re-[G]sistance  
For a [G7] pocket full of [G7] mumbles such are [C] promises [C]////  
[C]~ All lies and [Am] jest, still a  
[G] Man hears what he [F] wants to hear  
And [F] disregards the [C] rest, hm-mm [G7] hmm-mm  
[G7] Hmm-mm [G7] hmm-mm [C] hmm-mm [C] hmm-mm [C] hmm-mm  
[C]~~~ When I [C] left my home and my [C] family I was  
[C] No more than a [Am] boy in the [G] company of [G] strangers  
In the [G7] quiet of the [G7] railway station [C] running scared [C]////  
[C]~~ Laying [Am] low seeking [G] out the poorer [F] quarters  
Where the [F] ragged people [C] go looking  
[G7] For the places [F] only they would [C] know  
  
[C]~~ Lie la- [Am] lie [Am]~~ lie, lie [Em] la la, lie la  
[Em] Lie ~ lie la [Am] lie [Am]~~ lie la [G7] la-la lie la  
[G7] Lie, la-la-la-la [C] lie [C]//// [C]////  
[C]~~ Asking [C] only workman's [C] wages I come  
[C] Looking for a [Am] job but I get no [G] offers,  
[G]~~~ Just a [G7] come-on from the  
[G7] Whores on Seventh [C] Avenue [C]////  
[C]~ I do de-[Am]clare, there were  
[G] Times when I was [F] so lonesome I  
[F] Took some comfort [C] there, lie la  
[G7] Lie lie lie lie [G7] la [G7]//// [C]////

[C]~~ Lie la- [Am] lie [Am]~~ lie, lie [Em] la la, lie la  
 [Em] Lie ~ lie la [Am] lie [Am]~~ lie la [G7] la-la lie la  
 [G7] Lie, la-la-la-la [C] lie [C]//// [C]////

[C]~~ Then I'm [C] laying out my [C] winter clothes and  
 [C] Wishing I was [Am] gone, going [G] home,  
 [G]~~~ Where the [G7] New York City [G7] winters aren't  
 [C] Bleeding me [C]//// [Em]~~ leading [Em] me-[Am]eee  
 [Am]~~ Going [G] home [G]//// [G]//// [C]//// [C]//// [C]////

[C]~~ In the [C] clearing stands a [C] boxer and a  
 [C] Fighter by his [Am] trade  
 And he [G] carries the re-[G] minders of  
 [G7] Ev'ry glove that [G7] laid him down or  
 [C] Cut him till he [C] cried out in his [C] anger and his  
 [Am] Shame I am [G] leaving I am [F] leaving  
 But the [F] fighter still re-[C]mains, hm  
 [G7] Hm-mm [F] hm-mm [C] hmm-mm

[C]~~ Lie la- [Am] lie [Am]~~ lie, lie [Em] la la, lie la  
 [Em] Lie ~ lie la [Am] lie [Am]~~ lie la [G7] la-la lie la  
 [G7] Lie, la-la-la-la

[Am] Lie [Am]~~ lie, lie [Em] la la, lie la  
 [Em] Lie ~ lie la [Am] lie [Am]~~ lie la [G7] la-la lie la  
 [G7] Lie, la-la-la-la

[Am] Lie [Am]~~ lie, lie [Em] la la, lie la  
 [Em] Lie ~ lie la [Am] lie [Am]~~ lie la [G7] la-la lie la  
 [G7] Lie, la-la-la-la [C]/ lie

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