

I Shot The Sheriff - Bob Marley

Chorus 1:

Gm
 I shot the sheriff,
 Cm Gm
 But I didn't shoot no deputy, oh no! Oh!
 Gm
 I shot the sheriff,
 Cm Gm
 But I didn't shoot no deputy. Ooh, ooh, oo-oo.

Verse 1:

Eb Dm7 Gm
 All a-round in my home town,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 They're tryin' to track me down;
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 They say they want to bring me in guilty,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 For the killing of a depu-ty,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 For the life of a dep-uty. But I say...

*(Riff):

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B |-----|
G |-----|
D |--5-3-----|
A |-----5-3-----5-3-----|
E |-----6-----6-3--|

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Chorus 2:

Gm
 I shot the sheriff,
 Cm Gm
 But I swear it was in self-defence. (Oh, no! Yeah!)
 Gm Cm
 I say; I shot the sheriff, oh Lord!
 Gm
 And they say it is a capital offence. Yeah!

Verse 2:

Eb Dm7 Gm
 Sheriff John Brown always hated me,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 For what... I don't know.
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 Every time I plant a seed,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 He said kill it be-fore it grow,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 He said kill them be-fore they grow. And so, and so...

*(Riff):

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(Read it in the news!)

Chorus 3:

Gm
 I shot the sheriff,
 Cm Gm
 But I swear it was in self-defence. I say;
 Gm
 I shot the sheriff,
 Cm Gm
 But I swear it was in self-defence. (Yeah!)

Verse 3:

Eb Dm7 Gm
 Freedom came my way one day,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 And I started, out of town, yeah!
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 All of a sudden I saw Sheriff John Brown,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 Aiming to shoot me down,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 So I shot, I shot, I shot him down. And I say...

*(Riff):

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A|-----5-3-----5-3-----|
E|-----6-----6-3--|

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(If I am guilty, I will pay)...

Chorus 4:

Gm
 I shot the sheriff,
 Cm Gm
 But I didn't shoot no deputy, oh no! Oh!
 Gm
 I shot the sheriff,
 Cm Gm
 But I didn't shoot no deputy. Ooh, ooh, oo-oo.

Verse 4:

Eb Dm7 Gm
 Re-flexes had the better of me,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 And what is to be must be.
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 Every day, the bucket a-go a-well,
 Eb Dm7 Gm
 One day the bottom a-go drop out,
 Eb Dm7 Gm

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One day the bottom a-go drop out.

*(Riff):

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D	--5-3-----
A	-----5-3-----5-3-----
E	-----6-----6-3--

(I say)...

Chorus 5:

^{Gm}
 I-I-I, I shot the sheriff,
^{Cm} Lord, I didn't shot the depu-ty. No!
^{Gm}
 I-I...(shot the sheriff),
^{Cm} ^{Gm}
 But I didn't shoot no deputy. Yeah! So, yeah!

Coda:

Gm Cm, Gm

(Repeat to Fade)