

Do Re Mi - Woody Guthrie 1940

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G C
Lots of folks back East, they say, is leavin' home every day,
D G
Beatin' the hot old dusty way to the California line.

C
'Cross the desert sands they roll, gettin' out of that old dust bowl,
D G
They think they're goin' to a sugar bowl, but here's what they find
D
Now, the police at the port of entry say,
D7
"You're number fourteen thousand for today."

G D
Oh, if you ain't got the do re mi, folks, you ain't got the do re mi,
D G
Why, you better go back to beautiful Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Georgia, Tennessee.
C
California is a garden of Eden, a paradise to live in or see;
G
But believe it or not, you won't find it so hot
D G
If you ain't got the do re mi.

G C
You want to buy you a home or a farm, that can't deal nobody harm,
D G
Or take your vacation by the mountains or sea.
C
Don't swap your old cow for a car, you better stay right where you are,
D C
Better take this little tip from me.
D
'Cause I look through the want ads every day
D7
But the headlines on the papers always say:

G D
Oh, if you ain't got the do re mi, boys, you ain't got the do re mi,
G
Why, you better go back to beautiful Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Georgia, Tennessee.
C
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But believe it or not, you won't find it so hot
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If you ain't got the do re mi.