

Dirty Old Town - Ewan MacColl (as performed by The Pogues) (1985)

[Intro w/ harmonica]

D / / / D / / /
G / / / D / / /
Em / / / Bm / /*

[Verse]

I met my love by the gas works wall
Dreamed a dream by the old canal
I kissed my girl by the factory wall
Dirty old town, dirty old town

[Verse]

Clouds are drifting across the moon
Cats are prowling on their beat
Spring's a girl from the streets at night
Dirty old town, dirty old town

[Instrumental]

N.C.

(count off 2, 3, 4)

C / / / C / / /
F / / / C / / /
C / / / C / / /
G / / / Am / /*

[Verse]

I heard a siren from the docks
Saw a train set the night on fire
I smelled the spring on the smoky wind
Dirty old town, dirty old town

[Verse]

I'm gonna make me a big sharp axe
Shining steel tempered in the fire
I'll chop you down like an old dead tree
Dirty old town, dirty old town

[Verse - quietly]

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