

Maxwell's Silver Hammer (Lennon–McCartney, The Beatles 1969)

Intro: [Dm//] [G7//] [C] [G7] [C]

[C] Joan was quizzical [A7] studied pataphysical [Dm] science in the home
[G7] Late nights all alone with a test tube [C] oh oh oh [G7] oh
[C] Maxwell Edison [A7] majoring in medicine [Dm] calls her on the phone
[G7] Can I take you out to the pictures [C] Jo-o-o-o-[G7]-an
But [D7] as she's [D7] getting [D7] ready to go,
A [G7] knock comes [Gdim7] on the [G7] door

[C] Bang bang Maxwell's silver hammer came [D7] down upon her head
[G7] Bang bang Maxwell's silver hammer
Made [Dm//] sure that [G7//] she was [C] dead [G7] [C]

[C//] [E7//] [Am//] [C7//] [F//] [G7//] [C] [G7] [C]

[C] Back in school again [A7] Maxwell plays the fool again
[Dm] Teacher gets annoyed
[G7] Wishing to avoid an unpleasant [C] sce e e-[G7]-ene
[C] She tells Max to stay [A7] when the class has gone away
[Dm] So he waits behind, [G7] writing fifty times 'I must not be [C] so o o-[G7]-o'
But [D7] when she [D7] turns her [D7] back on the boy
He [G7] creeps up [Gdim7] from be-[G7] hind

[C] Bang bang Maxwell's silver hammer came [D7] down upon her head
[G7] Bang bang Maxwell's silver hammer
Made [Dm//] sure that [G7//] she was [C] dead [G7] [C]

[C//] [E7//] [Am//] [C7//] [F//] [G7//] [C] [G7] [C]

[C] P.C. Thirty-one [A7] said we caught a dirty one [Dm] Maxwell stands alone
[G7] Painting testimonial pictures [C] oh oh oh [G7] oh
[C] Rose and Valerie [A7] screaming from the gallery [Dm] say he must go free
The [G7] judge does not agree and he tells them [C] so-o-o-[G7] o
But [D7] as the [D7] words are [D7] leaving his lips
A [G7] noise comes [Gdim7] from be-[G7]-hind

[C] Bang bang Maxwell's silver hammer came [D7] down upon his head
[G7] Bang bang Maxwell's silver hammer
Made [Dm//] sure that [G7//] he was [C] dead [G7] [C]

[C] [C] [D7] [D7] [G7] [G7] [Dm//] [G//] [C] [G7] [C]

[C//] Sil-[E7//]ver [Am//] Ham-[C7//]mer [F//] [G7//] [C] [G7] [C]

