

Maxwell Silver Hammer - The Beatles

The Beatles

Key of D

Verse 1

D **B⁷**
Joan was quizzical, studied pataphysical,
E^m
Science in the home...
A⁷
Late nights all alone with a test tube
D **A**
Oh, oh, oh, oh

Verse 2

D **B⁷**
Maxwell Edison, majoring in medicine,
E^m
Calls her on the phone...
A⁷
Can I take you out to the pictures
D **A**
Jo, oa, oa, an?

Pre-Chorus

E⁷
But as she's getting ready to go,
A⁷
A knock comes on the door

Chorus

D
Bang! Bang! Maxwell's silver hammer
E⁷
Came down upon her head
A⁷
Clang! Clang! Maxwell's silver hammer
E^{m7} **A⁷** **D A D**
Made sure that she was dead

Interlude

D - F#7 | Bm - D7/A | G /// | D ///

Verse 3

D **B⁷**
Back in school again Maxwell plays the fool again,
E^m
Teacher gets annoyed...
A⁷
Wishing to avoid an unpleasant
D **A**
Sce, e, e, ene

Verse 4

D **B⁷**
She tells Max to stay when the class has gone away,
E^m
So he waits behind...
A⁷
Writing fifty times "I must not be
D **A**
So, o, o, o..."

Pre-Chorus'

E⁷
But when she turns her back on the boy,
A⁷
He creeps up from behind.

Chorus

D
Bang! Bang! Maxwell's silver hammer
E⁷
Came down upon her head
A⁷
Clang! Clang! Maxwell's silver hammer
E^{m7} **A⁷**
Made sure that she was dead

Chorus (Inst)

D /// | E7 /// | A7 /// | Em7 - A7 - D A D-

Interlude'

D - F#7 | Bm - D7/A | G /// | G ///

Verse 5

D **B⁷**
P. C. Thirty-one said, "We caught a dirty one"
E^m
Maxwell stands alone...
A⁷
Painting testimonial pictures
D **A**
Oh, oh, oh, oh

Verse 6

D **B⁷**
Rose and Valerie, screaming from the gallery
E^m
Say he must go free...
A⁷
The judge does not agree and he tells them
D **A**
So, o, o, o

Pre-Chorus"

E⁷
But as the words are leaving his lips,
A⁷
A noise comes from behind

Chorus"

D
Bang! Bang! Maxwell's silver hammer
E⁷
Came down upon his head
A⁷
Clang! Clang! Maxwell's silver hammer
E^{m7} **A⁷**
Made sure that he was dead... (Wha-oh-wha-oh-oh)

Chorus (Inst)

D /// | E7 /// | A7 /// | Em7 - A7 - D A D-

Outro (Interlude)

D F#⁷ **B^m D⁷/A** **G** **D A D**
Silver Ham-mer Man

Notes

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