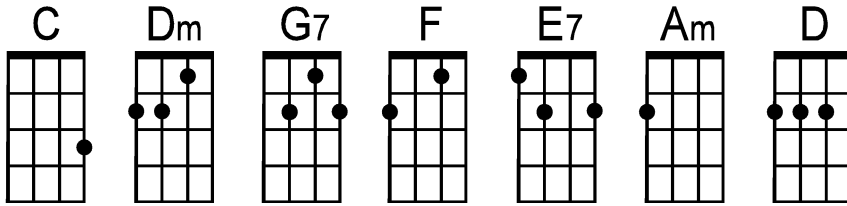


If I Only Had a Brain - in C

by Harold Arlen & E.Y. Harburg (1937)



(sing e)

I could while a-way the hours con-ferrin' with the flowers
 Con-sultin' with the rain—
 And my head I'd be scratchin' while my thoughts were busy hatchin'
 If I only had a brain—
 I'd un-ravel any riddle for any indi-vid'le in trouble or in pain—
 With the thoughts I'd be thinkin' I could be an-other Lincoln
 If I only had a brain—

Bridge: Downstrokes

Oh, I----- would tell you why-----
 The o--cean's near the shore-----
 I could think of things I never think be-fore-----
 And then I'd sit --- --- --- and think some more-----
 I would not be just a nuffin', my head all full of stuffin'
 My heart all full of pain—
 I would dance and be merry, life would be a ding-a-derry
 If I only had a brain—

Instrumental:

. | **C** . . . | **Dm** . . . | **C** . . . | . . .
. | **Dm** . . . | **G7** . . . | **C** . . . | . . .

Bridge: Downstrokes

. | **F** | **C**
Oh, I----- would tell you why-----

. | **Dm** . . . **G7** . | **C**
The o---cean's near the shore-----

. | **Dm** . . . **E7** . . . | **Am**
I could think of things I never think be-fore-----

. | **D** --- --- --- | **G7**
And then I'd sit and think some more-----

. | **C** | **Dm**
Gosh it would be awful pleasin' to reason out the reason

. | **C** |
Of things I can't ex-plain---

. | **Dm** | **G7**
Then per-haps I'll de-serve ya, even be worthy erv ya

. | **C** | . **G7** **C**
If I only had a brain-----