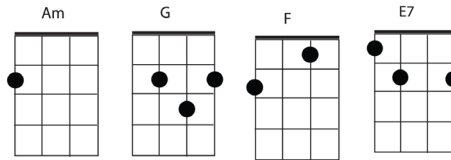


# The Cat Came Back

Traditional

Arranged by Eric Guerin



Strumming Pattern:

Am G F E7  
1-2-3-4 1-2-3-4

## Verse 1:

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

Old Mister Johnson had troubles of his own, he had a yellow cat that just wouldn't leave his home.

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

He tried and he tried to give the cat away, he gave it to a fellah going far, far away...

## Chorus:

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

BUT... the cat came back, the very next day, oh, the cat came back, they thought he was a goner

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

But the Cat came back, he just couldn't stay away, away, away, Hey! Hey! Hey!

## Verse 2:

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

Gave it to a fellow going way out west, told him for to give it to the one he loved best.

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

When the train came round the track it hit a broken rail, not a soul was left behind to tell the gruesome tale...

## Repeat Chorus

## Verse 3:

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

Gave it to a fellow going up in a balloon, told him for to give it to the man in the moon

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

Balloon came down about ninety miles away and where the man who flew it is I'd rather not say...

## Repeat Chorus

## Verse 4:

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

Way over the ocean's where they sent that cat at last, the boat was only out a day and takin' water fast

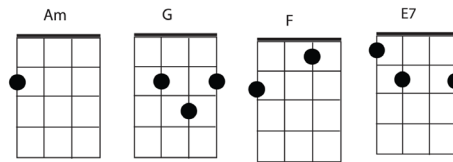
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People they began to pray the boat began to toss, then there came a tidal wave and every soul was lost...

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### Verse 5:

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

Man around the corner swore he'd shoot that cat on sight. He loaded up his shotgun with nails and dynamite

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

He waited, and he waited for the cat to come around, ninety little pieces of the man was all they found...

## Repeat Chorus

### Verse 6:

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

He put him on a rocket ship bound for Mars, for seven days and nights he flew to the stars.

**Am G F E7 Am G F E7**

It crashed against an asteroid in the middle of space, pieces floated everywhere but left no trace...

## Repeat Chorus

### Verse 7 (single strums):

**Am/ G/ F/ E7/ Am/ G/ F/ E7/**

Well, they dropped the H bomb just the other day, and they dropped the atom bomb in the very same way

**Am/ G/ F/ E7/ Am/ G/ F/ E7/**

England went... Russia went... Then the U.S.A. The human race had perished and everything was gray...

## Repeat Chorus x 2

End on **Am/**