

I Shot The Sheriff - Bob Marley

Chorus 1:

Gm
I shot the sheriff,
Cm Gm
But I didn't shoot no deputy, oh no! Oh!
Gm
I shot the sheriff,
Cm Gm
But I didn't shoot no deputy. Ooh, ooh, oo-oo.

Verse 1:

Eb Dm7 Gm
All a-round in my home town,
Eb Dm7 Gm
They're tryin' to track me down;
Eb Dm7 Gm
They say they want to bring me in guilty,
Eb Dm7 Gm
For the killing of a depu-ty,
Eb Dm7 Gm
For the life of a dep-uty. But I say...

*(Riff):

e	-----
B	-----
G	-----
D	--5-3-----
A	-----5-3-----5-3-----
E	-----6-----6-3--

Chorus 2:

Gm
I shot the sheriff,
Cm Gm
But I swear it was in self-defence. (Oh, no! Yeah!)
Gm Cm
I say; I shot the sheriff, oh Lord!
Gm
And they say it is a capital offence. Yeah!

Verse 2:

Eb Dm7 Gm
Sheriff John Brown always hated me,
Eb Dm7 Gm
For what... I don't know.
Eb Dm7 Gm
Every time I plant a seed,
Eb Dm7 Gm
He said kill it be-fore it grow,
Eb Dm7 Gm
He said kill them be-fore they grow. And so, and so...

*(Riff):

e	-----
B	-----
G	-----

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D|--5-3-----|
A|-----5-3----5-3-----|
E|-----6-----6-3--|
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(Read it in the news!)

Chorus 3:

Gm
I shot the sheriff,
Cm Gm
But I swear it was in self-defence. I say;
Gm
I shot the sheriff,
Cm Gm
But I swear it was in self-defence. (Yeah!)

Verse 3:

Eb Dm7 Gm
Freedom came my way one day,
Eb Dm7 Gm
And I started, out of town, yeah!
Eb Dm7 Gm
All of a sudden I saw Sheriff John Brown,
Eb Dm7 Gm
Aiming to shoot me down,
Eb Dm7 Gm
So I shot, I shot, I shot him down. And I say...

*(Riff):

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e|-----|
B|-----|
G|-----|
D|--5-3-----|
A|-----5-3----5-3-----|
E|-----6-----6-3--|
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(If I am guilty, I will pay)...

Chorus 4:

Gm
I shot the sheriff,
Cm Gm
But I didn't shoot no deputy, oh no! Oh!
Gm
I shot the sheriff,
Cm Gm
But I didn't shoot no deputy. Ooh, ooh, oo-oo.

Verse 4:

Eb Dm7 Gm
Re-flexes had the better of me,
Eb Dm7 Gm
And what is to be must be.
Eb Dm7 Gm
Every day, the bucket a-go a-well,
Eb Dm7 Gm
One day the bottom a-go drop out,
Eb Dm7 Gm

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One day the bottom a-go drop out.

*(Riff):

e	-----
B	-----
G	-----
D	--5-3-----
A	-----5-3-----5-3-----
E	-----6-----6-3--

(I say)...

Chorus 5:

Gm
I-I-I, I shot the sheriff,
Cm Lord, I didn't shot the depu-ty. No!
Gm
I-I...(shot the sheriff),
Cm Gm
But I didn't shoot no deputy. Yeah! So, yeah!

Coda:

Gm Cm, Gm

(Repeat to Fade)