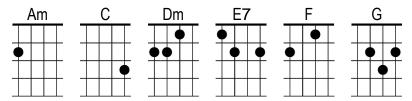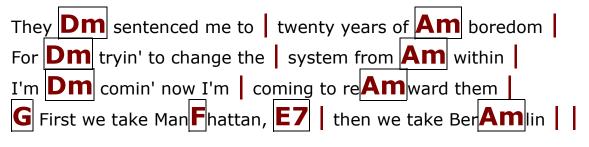# First We Take Manhattan

Leonard Cohen

Am   C   Dm   E7   F   G

Intro

Dm | **Am** | *x*4

They **Dm** sentenced me to | twenty years of **Am** boredom |
For **Dm** tryin' to change the | system from **Am** within |
I'm **Dm** comin' now I'm | coming to re **Am** ward them |
G First we take Man **F** hattan, **E7** | then we take Ber **Am** lin | | |

I'm **Dm** guided by a | signal in the **Am** heavens |
I'm **Dm** guided by this birthmark on my **Am** skin |
I'm **Dm** guided by the beauty of our **Am** weapons |
G First we take Man **F** hattan, **E7** | then we take Ber **Am** lin |

I'd **C** really like to | live beside you, **G** baby
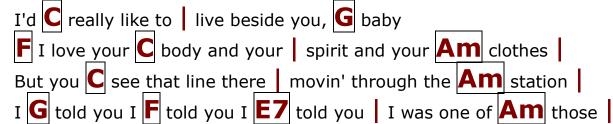**F** I love your **C** body and your | spirit and your **Am** clothes |
But you **C** see that line there | movin' through the **Am** station |
I **G** told you I **F** told you I **E7** told you | I was one of **Am** those |

You **Dm** loved me as a loser | but now your **Am** worried that I just might |
win
You **Dm** know the way to stop me | but you **Am** don't have the disci | pline
How **Dm** many nights I | prayed for this to **Am** let my work be | gin
G First we take Man **F** hattan, **E7** | then we take Ber **Am** lin | | |

Dm I don't like your | fashion business, **Am** mister |
And **Dm** I don't like these | drugs that keep ya **Am** thin |
Dm I don't like what | happened to my **Am** sister |
G First we take Man**F**hattan, **E7** | then we take Ber**Am**lin | | |

I'd **C** really like to | live beside you, **G** baby
F I love your **C** body and your | spirit and your **Am** clothes |
But you **C** see that line there | movin' through the **Am** station |
I **G** told you I **F** told you I **E7** told you | I was one of **Am** those | | |

And I **Dm** thank you for those | items that you **Am** sent me |
The **Dm** monkey and the | plywood vio**Am**lin |
I **Dm** practiced every night | and now I'm **Am** ready |
G First we take Man**F**hattan, **E7** | then we take Ber**Am**lin | | |

Re**Dm**member me, | I used to live for **Am** music |
Re**Dm**member me, | I brought your groceries **Am** in |
Well, it's **Dm** Father's Day and | everybody's **Am** wounded |
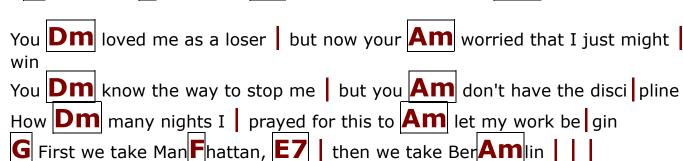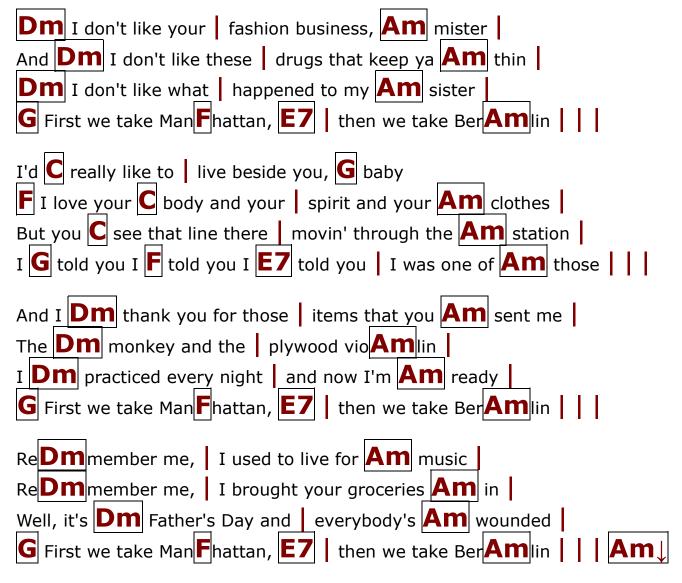**G** First we take Man**F**hattan, **E7** | then we take Ber**Am**lin | | | **Am↓**

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