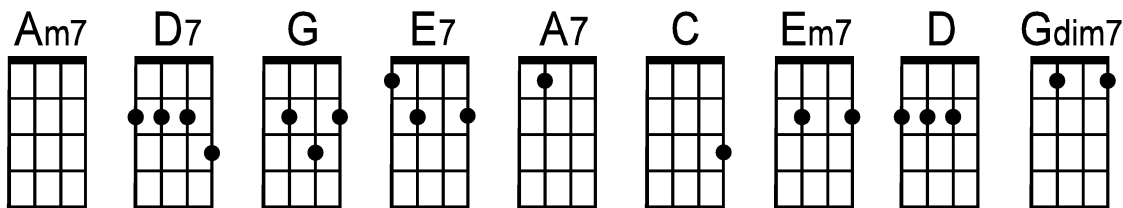


Swinging on a Star

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Intro: Am7 . D7 . | G . . . | Am7 . D7 . | G . .
 (sing b)

. | E7 . . . | A7 . . .
 Would you like to swing on a star—

. | D7 . . . | G . . .
 Carry moon-beams home in a jar—

. | E7 . . . | A7 . . . |
 And be bet-ter off than you are—?

D7\ --- --- --- | G . . .
 Or would you rather be a Mule?

| G . C . | G . C .
 A mule is an ani-mal with long fun-ny ears

| G . C . | G . Em7 .
 He kicks up at any-thing he hears

| A7 . . . | D . . .
 His back is brawny but his brain is weak

| Em7 . A7 . | D . D7
 He's just plain stupid with a stub-born streak

. | G . C . | G . E7 . |
 And by the way, if you hate to go to school

Am7 . D7 . | G . .
 You may grow up to be a mule

. | E7 . . . | A7 . . .
Chorus: Or would you like to swing on a star—

. | D7 . . . | G . . .
 Carry moon-beams home in a jar—

. | E7 . . . | A7 . . . |
 And be bet-ter off than you are—?

D7\ --- --- --- | G . . .
 Or would you rather be a Pig?

| G . C . | G . C .
 A pig is an ani-mal with dirt on his face—

| G . C . | G . Em7 .
 His shoes are a terri-ble dis-grace

| A7 . . . | D . . .
 He has no manners when he eats his food

|Em7 . A7 . |D . D7
He's fat and lazy and ex-treme-ly rude

. |G . C . |G . E7 . |
But if you don't care a feather or a fig

Am7 . D7 . |G . .
You may grow up to be a pig

Chorus: . |E7 . . . |A7 . . .
Or would you like to swing on a star——

. |D7 . . . |G . . .
Carry moon-beams home in a jar——

. |E7 . . . |A7 . . . |
And be bet-ter off than you are——?

D7\ --- --- --- |G
Or would you rather be a fish?

|G . C . |G . C .
A fish won't do any-thing but swim in a brook

|G . C . |G . Em7 .
He can't write his name or read a book

|A7 . . . |D . . .
To fool the people is his on—ly thought

|Em7 . A7 . |D . D7
and though he's slippery he still gets caught

. |G . C . |G . E7 . |
But then if that sort of life is what you wish

Am7 . D7 . |G . .
You may grow up to be a fish

Outro: . |E7 . . . |A7 . . .
And all the mon-keys aren't in the zoo——

. |D7 . . . |G . . .
Every day you meet quite a few——

. |E7 . . . |A7 . . . |
So, you see, it's all up to you——

D7 . . . |E7 . . . |
You can be better than you are——

Am7 . D7 . |G\ Gdim7\ G\
You could be swingin' on a star!