

THE UKULELE SONG - by - Loudon Wainwright III

(Intro: [Bb] [C] [F7] [Bb])

[Bb] I got a ukulele, [C] now i'm not a fraidy
[F7] Cat in case I get a bout of [Bb] blues [F7]
[Bb] In the event I get 'em, [C] there's no way I'll let 'em
[F7] Bring me down, no way, I will [Bb] refuse.. [F7] believe me

[Bb] 'Cause a ukulele [C] is like a little baby
[F7] You cradle it in your arms and you just [Bb] sing [F7]
A [Bb] lullaby or ditty, [C] when you're feeling self pity
[F7] It will cheer you up it's just the [Bb] thing.

(Chorus 1) (Eb6-3333, EbM7-3335, Eb-3336)

[Eb6] Life [EbM7] could [Eb] be bright [EbM7] and [Eb6] breezy
[Bb] When it should be nice and easy
[F7] There's nothing hard or heavy about a [Bb] uke [F]
[Eb6] I [EbM7] don't [Eb] play [EbM7] bull [Eb6] fiddle
[Bb] No mystery, no riddle
[C7] Shlepping that thing makes you look like a [F7] kook

[Bb] Four strings made of nylon [C] always put a smile on
[F7] Anybodys face who's feeling [Bb] blue [F7]
[Bb] When your mind starts slumming [C] start a little strumming
[F7] On your uke and you're gonna feel brand [Bb] new [F7]

(SCAT VERSE)

[Bb] Yabba dabba doo dah [C] ya ya la la hoo haw
[F7] A skiddamarink a dink a dinka [Bb] doo [F7]
[Bb] Blah blah oh wah yoo yah [C] la la ha ha mama
[F7] Dada wa wa ha ha oh a [Bb] chew

[Bb] Even though it's raining [C] quit all your complaining
[F7] Your roof's not leaking, nothings getting [Bb] in [F7]
[Bb] This axe is a hatchet, [C] there's magic you can catch it
[F7] On your uke you can't lose you just [Bb] win

(Chorus 2)

[Eb6] Life [EbM7] could [Eb] be bright [EbM7] and [Eb6] breezy
[Bb] When it should be nice and easy
[F7] There's nothing hard or heavy about a [Bb] uke [F]
[Eb6] I [EbM7] don't [Eb] play [EbM7] the [Eb6] tuba
[Bb] Tubas do it to ya
[C7] Just the thought of tubas makes me [F7] puke (you gotta believe me)

Kind [Bb] sirs and gentle ladies, [C] grab your ukuleles
[F7] I suspect by now you know my [Bb] song [F7]
[Bb] The next time that I do it [C] get down and get in to it
[F7] I trust you all will sing and strum a [Bb] long [F7] believe me

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[F7] Bring me down, no way, I will [Bb] refuse..

[Bb] Be [C7] lee [F7] eeve [Bb] me....