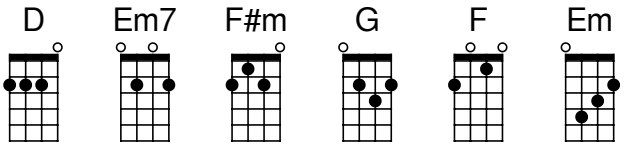
One of These Things First

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Soprano ukulele (GCEA) | Key of D - lower for alto voice

INTRO (4x)

[D] | [Em7] | [F#m] | [D] | [Em7]

VERSE 1

[Em7]I could have been a [F#m]sailor
[Em7]Could have been a [D]cook
[Em7]I could have been a [F#m]lover
[Em7]Could have been a [D]book
[Em7]I could have been a [F#m]signpost
[Em7]Could have been a [G]clock
[F]As simple as a [Em]kettle
[D]Steady as a [Em7]rock
[F#m]I could be
[Em7]Here and [D]now
[Em7] [F#m] [Em7]
[F]I would be, I should [Em]be

[D]But [Em7]how? [F#m] [Em7]

CHORUS
[G]I could have been [Em]
[D]One of these things [Em7]first [F#m]
[Em7]I could have been [G]
[Em]One of these things [D]first [Em7] [F#m] [Em7]

INTRO / INTERLUDE:
[D] | [Em7] | [F#m] | [D] | [Em7]

VERSE 2
[Em7]I could have been your [F#m]pillar
[Em7]Could have been your [D]door
[Em7]I could have stayed [F#m]beside you
[Em7]Could have stayed for [D]more
[Em7]I could have been your [F#m]statue
[Em7]Could have been your [G]friend
[F]A whole long [Em]lifetime
[D]Could have been the [Em7]end
[F#m]I could be
[Em7]Yours so [D]true
[Em7] [F#m] [Em7]
[F]I would be
[Em]I should be
[D]Through and [Em7]through [F#m] [Em7]

CHORUS

[G]I could have been [Em]
[D]One of these things [Em7]first [F#m] [Em7]
[G]I could have been [Em]
[D]One of these things [Em7]first [F#m]

INSTRUMENTAL

[D] | [Em7] | [F#m] | [D] | [Em7]
[F] | [Em] | [D] | [Em7] | [F#m] | [Em7]

VERSE 3

[Em7]I could have been a [F#m]whistle
[Em7]Could have been a [D]flute
[Em7]A real live [F#m]giver
[Em7]Could have been a [D]boot
[Em7]I could have been a [F#m]signpost
[Em7]Could have been a [G]clock
[F]As simple as a [Em]kettle
[D]Steady as a [Em7]rock

CHORUS 2

[F]I could be
[Em]Even [D]here [Em7] [F#m] [Em7]
[F]I would be, I should [Em]be
[D]So [Em7]near [F#m]
[G]I could have been [Em]
[D]One of these things [Em7]first [F#m]
[G]I could have been [Em]
[D]One of these things [Em7]first [F#m]

OUTRO

[G] | [Em] | [D] | [Em7] | [F#m] | [D] | [Em7] | [D]