

Big Rock Candy Mountain – Burl Ives, Pete Seeger Key of C

4 bar intro C C C C

(optional whistle a line)

C G C
One evening as the sun went down and the campsite fires were burning
C G C
Down the track came a hobo hiking, and he said, "Boys I'm not turning"
F C F C F C G
I'm headed for a land that's far away besides the crystal fountain
C G C
So come with me we'll go and see the Big Rock Candy Mountain

Vrs1 C F C
In the Big Rock Candy Mountain there's a land that's fair and bright
F C F G
The handouts grow on bushes and you sleep out every night. Where the
C F C
boxcars all are empty and the sun shines every day On the
F C F C F C
birds and the bees the cigarette trees the lemonade springs where the
F C G C C C C
bluebird sings in The Big Rock Candy Mountain (4 bar turn)

Vrs2 C F C
In The Big Rock Candy Mountain all the cops have wooden legs
and the bulldogs all have rubber teeth and the hens lay soft boiled eggs
The farmer's trees are full of fruit and the barns are full of hay
Oh I'm bound to go where there ain't no snow where there ain't no fall
and the winds don't blow in The Big Rock Candy Mountain

Vrs3 C F C
In The Big Rock Candy Mountain you never change your socks
and the little streams of alcohol come a tricklin' down the rocks
the Brakemen have to tip their hats and the Railroad Bulls are blind
There's a lake of stew and of whiskey too you can paddle all around 'em
in a big canoe in The Big Rock Candy Mountain

Vrs4 C F C
In The Big Rock Candy Mountain the jails are made of tin
and you can walk right out again as soon as you are in
There ain't no short handle shovels no axes saws or picks
I'm gonna stay where you sleep all day where they hung the jerk
that invented work in The Big Rock Candy Mountain

F C F C G C
I'll see you all this commin' fall in the Big Rock Candy Mountain