

PAY ME MY MONEY DOWN - Traditional

Intro: several bars of [C]

1. Well, [C] I thought I heard the Captain say,
Pay me my [G] money down,
"Tomorrow is our sailing day",

- [G7] Pay me my [C] money down.

*Chorus: [C] Pay me, pay me, pay me my [G] money down,
Pay me or go to jail, - [G7] pay me my [C] money down.*

2. Soon [C] as that boat cleared the bar,
Pay me my [G] money down,
He knocked me down with a spar,
- [G7] pay me my [C] money down.

*Chorus: [C] Pay me, pay me, pay me my [G] money down,
Pay me or go to jail, - [G7] pay me my [C] money down*

3. Well, [C] if I'd been a rich man's son,
Pay me my [G] money down,
I'd sit on the river and watch it run,
- [G7] pay me my [C] money down.

*Chorus: [C] Pay me, pay me, pay me my [G] money down,
Pay me or go to jail, - [G7] pay me my [C] money down*

Instrumental Chorus X2 then 4 bars of [C] + [A7] (1,2,3,4,5,6,7) (key change)

4. Well..... I [D] wish I was Mister Gates,
Pay me my [A] money down,
They'd haul my money in in crates,
- [A7] pay me my [D] money down.

*Chorus: [D] Pay me, pay me, pay me my [A] money down,
Pay me or go to jail, - [A7] pay me my [D] money down.*

4 bars of [D] + [C7] (1,2,3,4,5,6,7) (key change)

5. Well..... [F] 40 days and nights at sea,
Pay me my [C] money down,
Captain worked every last dollar out of me,
- [C7] pay me my [F] money down

*Chorus: [F] Pay me, pay me, pay me my [C] money down,
Pay me or go to jail, - [C7] pay me my [F] money down*

Repeat Chorus twice with a big finish

