American Pie

Music by Don McLean

Intro Ab Eb/G Fm Bbm Db Fm
Slow and freely, vocal and piano
a long, long time ago I can still remember how that music used to
make me smile And I knew that if I had my chance
I could make those people dance and maybe, they'd be happy for a
while

Verse Ab Bbm Db
Did you write the book of love? And do you have faith in
I met a girl who sang the blues And I asked her for some
God above if the Bible tells you so
hap - py news But she just smiled and turned a way
Now do you
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A\textsubscript{b} E\textsubscript{b/G} Fm B\textsubscript{b}m D\textsubscript{b/A\textsubscript{b}}

believing in rock and roll and can music save your mortal soul? And
to the sacred store Where I heard the music years before But the

Fm Db Eb

can you teach me how to dance real slow Well, I_
man ther said the music wouldn't play And in the

Fm Eb Fm Eb

know that you're in love with him cause I saw you dancing in the gym You
streets the children screamed the lovers cried and the poets dreamed But

Db Ab/C Bb\textsubscript{m} Db Eb

both kicked off your shoes Man, I dig those rhythm and blues I was a
not a word was spoken The church bells were all broken And the

A\textsubscript{b} E\textsubscript{b/G} Fm Bb\textsubscript{m} Db

lone ly teen age bronc in buck with a pink car na tion and a pick up truck but I
three men I admired the most the father son and Holy Ghost They

A\textsubscript{b} E\textsubscript{b/G} Fm Db Eb

knew that I was out of luck the day the music caught the last train for the coast The day the music
A\(\flat\)

A\(\flat\)

E\(\flat\)

A\(\flat\)

D\(\flat\)

A\(\flat\)

E\(\flat\)

44

Chorus

48

Chevy to the levee but the levee was dry

Them good ol’ boys were drinkin’ whiskey and rye

sing’in’

Fm

B\(\flat\)

Fm

\(1\)

E\(\flat\)

E\(\flat\)/D\(\flat\)

52

"This’ll be the day that I die

This’ll be the day that I die

Cm

E\(\flat\)

Cm

E\(\flat\)

\(2\)

Cm

E\(\flat\)

Cm

E\(\flat\)

60

Cm

E\(\flat\)

Cm

E\(\flat\)

\(\text{Coda D.S. al CODA}\)

64

Cm

E\(\flat\)

Cm

Eb

Eb/D\(\flat\)

68

Cm

E\(\flat\)

Cm

A\(\flat\)

64

D.S. al CODA

68

die