



Maxwell's Silver Hammer

(The Beatles)

Intro: **C D7 G7 C↓ G7↓ C↓ C C**
 (where ↓ denotes a single strum)

C **A7** **Dm**
 Joan was quizzical, studied pataphysical science in the home,

G7 **C** **G**
 Late nights all alone with a test tube, oh, oh, oh, oh,

C **A7** **Dm**
 Maxwell Edison, majoring in medicine, calls her on the phone,

G7 **C** **G**
 "Can I take you out to the pictures, Joa-oa-oa-oan?"

D7 **G7** *(play on 4th string)*
 But as she's getting ready to go, a knock comes on the door. (0 2 4)

Chorus:

C **D7**
 Bang bang Maxwell's silver hammer came down upon her head,

G7 **Dm** **G7** **C↓ G7↓ C↓**
 Clang clang Maxwell's silver hammer made sure that she was dead.

C C

C **A7** **Dm**
 Back in school again Maxwell plays the fool again, teacher gets annoyed,

G7 **C** **G**
 Wishing to avoid an unpleasant sce-e-e-ene,

C **A7** **Dm**
 She tells Max to stay when the class has gone away, so he waits behind,

G7 **C** **G**
 Writing fifty times "I must not be so-o-o-o.."

D7 **G7**
 But when she turns her back on the boy, he creeps up from behind. (0 2 4)

Chorus: then play **C C**





Maxwell's Silver Hammer (Cont'd)

C **A7** **Dm**
P.C. Thirty-one, said "We've caught a dirty one", Maxwell stands alone,
G7 **C** **G**
Painting testimonial pictures, oh, oh, oh, oh,
C **A7** **Dm**
Rose and Valerie, screaming from the gallery, say he must go free
(Maxwell must go free)
G7 **C** **G**
The judge does not agree and he tells them, so-o-o-o-o,
D7 **G7**
But as the words are leaving his lips, a noise comes from behind. (0 2 4)

Chorus:

C **D7**
Bang bang Maxwell's silver hammer came down upon his head,
G7 **Dm** **G7**
Clang clang Maxwell's silver hammer made sure that he was dead,
C **D7**
Bang bang Maxwell's silver hammer came down upon his head,
G7 **Dm** **G7** **C↓** **G7↓** **C↓**
Clang clang Maxwell's silver hammer made sure that he was dead.

Outro: **C** **D7** **G7** **C↓** **G7↓** **C↓**

