

Dirty Old Town

(Ewen MacColl 1949)

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I met my [C] love, by the gas works croft
Dreamed a [F] dream, by the old ca[C]nal
Kissed my [Am] girl, by the factory [C] wall
Dirty old [Dm] town [G7] just dirty old [Am] town (PAUSE)

Clouds are [C] drifting, across the moon
Cats are [F] prowling, out along their [C] beat
There springs a [Am] girl, on the street at [C] night
Dirty old [Dm] town [G7] just a dirty old [Am] town (PAUSE)

INSTRUMENTAL:

[C]/// /// /// /// [F]/// /// [C]/// ///
[Am]/// /// [C]/// /// [Dm]/// [G7]/// [Am]/// (Stop)

I heard a [C] siren, out across the docks
I saw a [F] train, set the night on [C] fire
I smelled the [Am] spring, on the smokey [C] wind
Dirty old [Dm] town [G7] just a dirty old [Am] town (Stop)

I'm going to [C] make me, a good sharp axe
All shining [F] steel, tempered in the [C] fire
I'll chop you [Am] down, like an old dead [C] tree
Dirty old [Dm] town, [G7] just a dirty old [Am] town (Stop)

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Dirty old [Dm] town [G7] just a dirty old [Am] town
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