## I Wanna Learn a Love Song

## **Harry Chapin**

I come fresh from the street, fast on my feet, Kinda crass and corny.

Not much meat on my bones and a whole lotta loans

and more than a little bit horny. The old six string was all i had, to keep my belly still.

And for each full hour lesson i gave,

I got a crisp ten dollar bill. You see, she was married for seven years,

To a concrete castle king.

She said she wanted to learn to play the guitar

and to hear her children sing.

So i'd show up about once a week in my faded tight legged jeans

With a back log full of hobo stories and delapadated dreams.

So i tried to teach her a couple of chords And an easy melody

But it always turned out she'd rather listen to my guitar and me.

I could hear her old man laughing in the den

playing stud poker with the boys

While i sang so soft in the living room, too scared to make much noise.I came one week, the den was dark and she met me at the door.

And we sat on the couch and we sang and talked till i could not sing no more.

You know the silence kept in building

Her eyes grew much too wide

And i could hear both of our heart beats, but there was no place to hide. She said i wanna learn a love song

Full of happy things

She said i wanna learn a love song

Wont you let me hear you sing

She said i wanna learn a love song

I wanna hear you play

She said i wanna learn a love song

Before you go away.

I guess you know what happened

God i, I never been so clean

I feel like i'm workin in a Hollywood movie

or living out a good bad dream.

and all them pin up girls in that tinsle world

never touched me like she can.

It took another mans wife in the real world life to make this boy a man. She said i wanna learn a love song

Full of happy things

She said i wanna learn a love song

Wont you let me hear you sing

She said i wanna learn a love song

I wanna hear you play

## She said i wanna learn a love song Before you go away.I guess you know i stayed.

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