Cat's in the Cradle

key:G, artist:Harry Chapin writer:Harry Chapin

Harry Chapin - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=etundhQa724 Bb (But in F) My child arrived just the other day He came to the world in the usual way But there were planes to catch and bills to pay He learned to walk while I was away Dm And he was talkin' 'fore I knew it and as he grew He'd say I'm gonna be like you dad You know I'm gonna be like you And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon Bb Little boy blue and the man in the moon When you comin' home dad I don't know when



My son turned ten just the other day

You know we'll have a good time then

But we'll get together then son

He said Thanks for the ball Dad come on let's play

Can you teach me to throw I said not today

I got a lot to do he said that's OK

And he walked away but his smile never dimmed

And said I'm gonna be like him yeah
You know I'm gonna be like him
And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon
Bb Little boy blue and the man in the moon
G When you comin' home dad I don't know when
Bb Dm G But we'll get together then son
You know we'll have a good time then
G Well he came from college just the other day
So much like a man I just had to say
G Son I'm proud of you can you sit for a while
C He shook his head and he said with a smile
What I'd really like Dad is to borrow the car keys
Bb Dm G See you later can I have them please
And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon
Bb Little boy blue and the man in the moon
G When you comin' home dad I don't know when
Bb Dm G But we'll get together then son
You know we'll have a good time then
G I've long since retired my son's moved away
C I called him up just the other day
G I said I'd like to see you if you don't mind

Bh

Dm

He said I'd love to Dad if I could find the time

You see my new job's a hassle and the kids have the flu

But it's sure nice talking to you Dad

It's been sure nice talking to you

And as I hung up the phone it occurred to me

He'd grown up just like me my boy was just like me

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