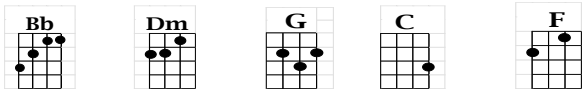
Cat's In The Cradle



INTRO: Bb// Dm// G//// Dm//// //// G//// ////

G Bb C G
My child arrived just the other day He came to the world in the usual way
Bb
But there were planes to catch, and bills to pay
C G
He learned to walk while I was away
F Dm
And he was talking 'fore I knew it, and as he grew
Bb Dm G Bb Dm G//// ////
He said I'm gonna be like you, dad You know I'm gonna be like you

G F
And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon
Bb C
Little boy blue and the man in the moon
G F
When you coming home, dad? I don't know when,
Bb Dm G
But we'll get to-gether then son,
Bb Dm G//// Dm//// //// G////
You know we'll have a good time then

G Bb
My son turned ten just the other day
C G
He said, thanks for the ball, dad, come on let's play
Bb
Can you teach me to throw I said, not today
C G
I got a lot to do he said, that's okay
F Dm
And he walked away, but his smile never dimmed
Bb Dm G
He said I'm gonna be like him, yeah
Bb Dm G//// ////
You know I'm gonna be like him

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          G                                F
And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon
Bb                          C
Little boy blue and the man in the moon
G                                      F
When you coming home, dad?   I don't know when,
     Bb            Dm     G
But we'll get to-gether then son,
      Bb                    Dm        G////  Dm//// ////  G////
You know we'll have a good time then

G                                          Bb
Well, he came from college just the other day
    C                          G
So much like a man I just had to say
G                                     Bb
Son, I'm proud of you, can you sit for a while?
C                                   G
   He shook his head, and he said with a smile
           F                        Dm
What I'd really like dad  is to borrow the car keys
Bb        Dm          G              G////  ////
See you later, can I have them please?

          G                                F
And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon
Bb                          C
Little boy blue and the man in the moon
G                                      F
When you coming home, dad?   I don't know when,
     Bb            Dm     G                  Bb                    Dm        G//// ////
But we'll get to-gether then son,   You know we'll have a good time then
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G Bb
I've long since retired, my son's moved away
C G
I called him up just the other day
G Bb
I said, I'd like to see you if you don't mind
C G
He said, I'd love to, dad, if I can find the time
F Dm
You see, my new job's a hassle, and the kids have the flu
Bb Dm G
But it's sure nice talking to you, dad
Bb Dm G//// ////
It's been sure nice talking to you
F Dm
And as I hung up the phone, it oc-curred to me
Bb Dm G Bb Dm G//// ////
He'd grown up just like me… My boy was just like me

G F
And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon
Bb C
Little boy blue and the man in the moon

SLOW DOWN
G F
When you coming home, son? I don't know when
Bb Dm G
But we'll get to-gether then dad,
Bb Dm G//// Dm//// //// G/
You know we'll have a good time then