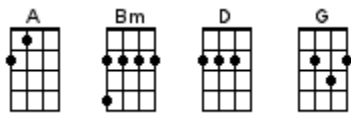


# The Riddle Song

Traditional (part of Child Ballad #46 "Captain Wedderburn's Courtship")

As recorded by Doc Watson 1966



**INTRO: / 1 2 / 1 2 /**

I [D] gave my love a [G] cherry, that had no [D] stone  
I [A] gave my love a [D] chicken, that had no [A] bone  
I [A] gave my love a [D] baby, with no cry-[A]in'  
And [Bm] told my love a [G] story, that had no [D] end [D]

I [D] gave my love a [G] cherry, that had no [D] stone  
[A] Gave my love a [D] chicken, that had no [A] bone  
I [A] gave my love a [D] baby, with no cry-[A]in'  
And [Bm] told my love a [G] story, that had no [D] end [D]

How [D] can there be a [G] cherry, that has no [D] stone?  
How [A] can there be a [D] chicken, that has no [A] bone?  
How [A] can there be a [D] baby, with no cry-[A]in'?  
How [Bm] can you tell a [G] story, that has no [D] end? [D]

## **INSTRUMENTAL:**

How [D] can there be a [G] cherry, that has no [D] stone?  
How [A] can there be a [D] chicken, that has no [A] bone?  
How [A] can there be a [D] baby, with no cry-[A]in'?  
How [Bm] can you tell a [G] story, that has no [D] end? [D]

A [D] cherry when it's [G] bloomin', it has no [D] stone  
And a [A] chicken when it's [D] pippin', there is no [A] bone  
A [A] baby when it's [D] sleepin', there's no cry-[A]in'  
And [Bm] when I say I [G] love you, it has no [D] end [D]

I [D] gave my love a [G] cherry, that had no [D] stone  
I [A] gave my love a [D] chicken, that had no [A] bone  
I [A] gave my love a [D] baby, with no cry-[A]in'  
And [Bm] told my love a [G] story, that had no [D] end [D] / [D]↓

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