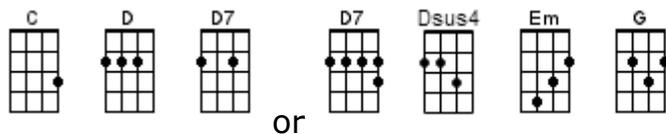


# The Book Of Love

Stephin Merritt 1999 (recorded by his band The Magnetic Fields, as covered by Peter Gabriel 2004)



**INTRO:** / 1 2 3 4 /

[G][C] / [D][G] / [G][C] / [D7][G] /  
[G][C] / [D][G] / [G][C] / [D7][G] /

[G] The book of [C] love is [D] long and bor-[Em]ing  
[G] No one can [C] lift the [D] damn thing [G]  
[G] It's full of [C] charts and [D] facts and [Em] figures  
[G] And in-[C]structions for [D7] dan-[G]cing

## CHORUS:

But [G] I-I-I-[C]-I-I-[D]-I-I-[G]-I  
[G] I love it [C] when you [D] read to [G] me  
And [G] you-ou-ou-[C]-ou-ou-[D]-ou-ou-[G]-ou  
[G] You can [C] read me [D7] any-[G]thing

[G] The book of [C] love has [D] music [G] in it  
[G] In fact that's [C] where mu-[D]sic comes [G] from  
[G] Some of [C] it's just [D] transcen-[Em]dental  
[G] Some of [C] it's just [D7] really [G] dumb

## CHORUS:

But [G] I-I-I-[C]-I-I-[D]-I-I-[G]-I  
[G] I love it [C] when you [D] sing to [G] me  
And [G] you-ou-ou-[C]-ou-ou-[D]-ou-ou-[G]-ou  
[G] You can [C] sing me [D7] any-[G]thing

## INSTRUMENTAL CHORUS:

But [Em] I-I-I-[C]-I-I-[D]-I-I-[G]-I  
[Em] I love it [C] when you [D] sing to [G] me  
And [Em] you-ou-ou-[C]-ou-ou-[D]-ou-ou-[G]-ou  
[Em] You can [C] sing me [D7] any-[G]thing

[G] The book of [C] love is [D] long and [Em] boring  
[G] And written [C] very [D] long ago [G]  
[G] It's full of [C] flowers and [D] heart-shaped [Em] boxes  
[G] And things we're [C] all too [D7] young to [G] know

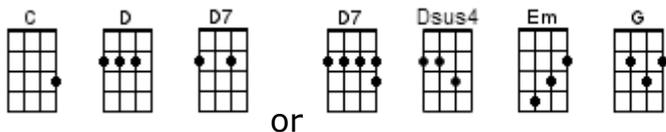
## CHORUS:

But [G] I-I-I-[C]-I-I-[D]-I-I-[Em]-I  
[G] I love it [C] when you [Dsus4] give me [G] things  
And [G] you-ou-ou-[C]-ou-ou-[Dsus4]-ou-ou-[Em]-ou  
[G] You ought to [C] give me [D7] wedding [G] rings

And **[G]** I-I-I-**[C]**-I-I-**[D]**-I-I-**[Em]**-I  
**[G]** I love it **[C]** when you **[Dsus4]** give me **[G]** things  
 And **[G]** you-ou-ou-**[C]**-ou-ou-**[Dsus4]**-ou-ou-**[G]**-ou  
**[G]** You ought to **[C]** give me **[D7]** wedding **[G]** rings

**[G][C] / [D][Em] /**

**[G]** You ought to **[C]** give me **[D7]**↓ wedding **[G]**↓ rings



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