

Folsom Prison Blues
Johnny Cash

Key E

E
I hear the train a-comin'; it's rollin' 'round the bend,
And I ain't seen the sunshine since I don't know when,
A7 E
I'm stuck in Folsom Prison and time keeps draggin' on.
B7 E
But that train keeps a-rollin' on down to San Antone.

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When I was just a baby, my momma told me, "Son,
Always be a good boy; don't ever play with guns."
A7 E
But I shot a man in Reno, just to watch him die.
B7 E
When I hear that whistle blowin', I hang my head and cry.

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I bet there's rich folk eatin' in a fancy dining car.
They're prob'ly drinkin' coffee and smokin' big cigars,
A7 E
But I know I had it comin', I know I can't be free,
B7 E
But those people keep a-movin', and that's what tortures me.

E
Well if they freed me from this prison, if that railroad train was mine,
I bet I'd move it all a little farther down the line,
A7 E
Far from Folsom Prison, that's where I'd want to stay,
B7 E
And I'd let that lonesome whistle blow my blues away.