

Hello Ma Baby

Key of C

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Verse 1:

I've [C]got a little baby
But she's out of sight
I talk to her across
The tele [G7]phone

I've never seen my honey
But she's mine all right
So take my tip
And leave this gal a [C]lone

Ev'ry single morning
You will hear me yell,
"Hey [A7]Central! Fix me up along
the [Dm7]line."

He connects me with ma [G7]honey
Then I [C]rings the [A7]bell
And [D7]this is what I say
To baby [G7]mine[G7+5]

Chorus:

[C]Hello! Ma baby
[A7]Hello! Ma honey
[D7]Hello! Ma ragtime gal
[G7]Send me a kiss by wire,
[C]Baby my [C#dim]heart's on [Dm7]fire![G7]

[C]If you refuse me
 [A7]Honey you'll lose me
 [D7]Then you'll be left alone
 Oh baby, [G7]telephone
 And tell me I'm your [C]own.

[C]Hello! [C#dim]hello! [Dm7]hello [G7]there!

Verse 2:

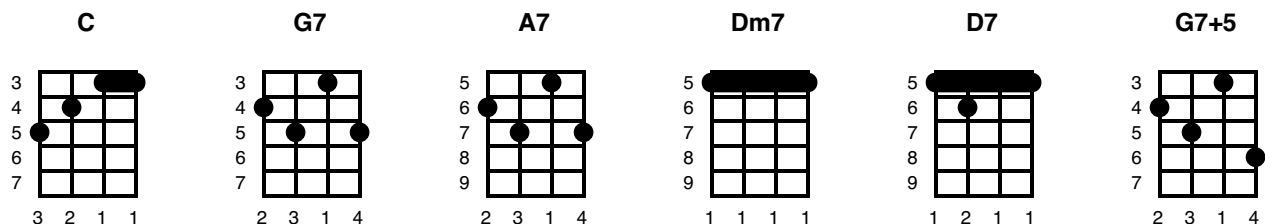
This [C]morning through the phone
 She said her name was Bess
 And now I kind of know
 Where I am [G7]at.

I'm satisfied because
 I've got my babe's address
 Here, pasted in the lining
 Of my [C]hat.

I'm mighty scared
 Cause if the wires get crossed
 Twill [A7]separate me from
 Ma baby [Dm7]mine

Then some [Dm7]other guy will [G7]win her,
 And my [C]game is [A7]lost,
 And [D7]so each day I shout
 Along the[G7] line [G7+5]

Chorus repeat:



C#dim

