Black

Cat Power

Am F C E (throughout)

Waltz rhythm: Intro & Verses go two strokes per chord and in the chorus it changes to single stroke per chord.

[Intro]

Am F

La grande faucheuse

C

La grande faucheuse

E

La grande faucheuse

Αm

La grande faucheuse

F

La grande faucheuse

С

La grande faucheuse

Е

Angel of death

[Verse 1]

Am I

Let me tell you a story bout black

The one memory, and the one who threw it right back

Am F

He was down so I took a ride

C E

He moved the best way outta there so I took his advice

[Chorus 1]

Am F C E

Oh, two seconds flat

Am F C E

If I d ve know he would ve treated me like that

Am F C

Whoa, two seconds flat

Am F C E

How was I to know he woulda done me like that?

(continue with the same chord interchange and rhythm as above)

[Verse 2]

Am F

He had an empty gaze

C E

And his eyes like a bear

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Αm
Took me thoroughly
I threw the coat away and just like a fox he said
[Chorus 2]
Am F C
Oh, who s lookin at ya?
Who was a good kid when God was lookin after ya?
Am F C
Whoa, who ll make it through?
How was I to know it would ve done this to you?
[Verse 3]
Am
He made his move then I was down all alone
I kept askin to come up for luck
Αm
I would take it and he would turn it in
Wait, let me catch my breath
That s black if you can catch him with it
I was someone who believed in sin, he said
I think I know just who that is
[Chorus 2]
Am F C
Oh, who s lookin at ya?
         F
                      C
Who was a good kid when God was lookin after ya?
Am F C
Whoa, who ll make it through?
How was I to know it would ve done this to you?
[Verse 4]
Dead man now, once was a friend
Ran all the way upstairs just to make my defense (save me, save me)
Threw me in the bag with ice and a slab
Can of coke down my throat, almost his whole hand fittin in (oh, hows it stop,
yeah)
[Verse 5]
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Am
First I was amused, closest to death ever been
When the bright light went away I knew death was settin in
If I knew I would tell ya
To keep trouble off, I tell ya
You re the next one to get
Left with the story, that s when you go mad, that s black
[Chorus 3]
Am F C
Oh, who s not lookin at ya? (angel of death)
Who ll be a good kid now that I m lookin after ya?
Am F C
Whoa, who ll make it through?
How was I to know black would ve turned from me to you?
[Outro]
Am F C E
           Αm
(Angel of death)
(Angel of death)
          Am
(Angel of death)
(Angel of death)
           Αm
(Angel of death)
          C
(Angel of death)
           Αm
(Angel of death)
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