

Monkey And The Engineer

Dave Rawlings Machine

A simple tune played in the Key of B (but using the chords for the key of G)
Capo 4.

[Verse 1]

G **C** **G**
Once upon a time there was an engineer,
G **A7** **D7**
who drove a locomotive both far and near,
G **C**
Accompanied by a monkey who would sit on a stool,
G **A7** **D7** **G**
watching everything the engineer would pull.

G **C** **G**
One day the engineer wanted a bite to eat,
G **A7** **D7**
He left the monkey sitting in the driver s seat,
G **C**
The monkey pulled the throttle the locomotive jumped the gun,
G **A7** **D7** **G**
and at 90 miles an hour down the main line run.

[Chorus]

G **C** **G**
The big locomotive is right on time,
G **A7** **D7**
the big locomotive coming down the line,
G **C**
The big locomotive number 99,
G **A7** **D7** **G**
left the engineer with a worried mind.

[Verse 2]

(same as verse 1)

The engineer got the dispatcher on the phone,
he told him all about his locomotive was gone,
he said get on the wire switch operator to right,
cause the monkeys got the main line sewn up tight.

The switch operator got the message in time,
Said there s a north bound living on the same main line,
Open up the switch we gonna let him on through,
cause the monkey s got the locomotive under control.

[Chorus]

G		C		G
The big locomotive is right on time,				
G		A7		D7
the big locomotive coming down the line,				
G		C		
The big locomotive number 99,				
G	A7		D7	G
left the engineer with a worried mind.				

It is the same progression throughout the song.
Improvise and have fun with solos, repeats, etc.
A great and simple fun campfire song.