

Cumberland Blues
Grateful Dead

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G
I can t stay much longer, Melinda, the sun is getting high,
G
I can t help you with your troubles if you won t help with mine.
F# Bb B Bb A Ab G
I gotta get down, I gotta get down, I gotta get down to the mine.

You keep me up just one more night, I can t sleep here no more.
Little Ben clock says quarter til eight, you kept me up til four.
I gotta get down, I gotta get down, or I can t work there no more.

G
Lotta poor man make a five dollar bill, keep him happy all the time.

G
Some other fella s makin nothin at all and you can hear him cry,

C D
Can I go buddy, can I go down, take your shift at the mine?

C
Gotta get down to the Cumberland mine

F C
(Gotta get down to the Cumberland mine)

F C
That s where I mainly spend my time.

C
Make good money, five dollars a day,

F C Am7 C7 Em G
Made any more I might move away.

G C G
Lotta poor man got the Cumberland blues,

C
He can t win for losin ,

C A D
Lotta poor man got to walk the line just to pay his union dues,

C D C Am7 G
I don t know now, I just don t know, if I m goin back again.