

**Invaders**  
**Iron Maiden**

Written by Steve Harris.  
Performed by IRON MAIDEN.  
Taken from the album THE NUMBER OF THE BEAST.

NOTE:

Invaders is an extension of the old  
standard song Invasion.  
Iron Maiden have only played Invaders live one time,  
and that was in Auckland, NZ 1992.

Transcribed by Oskar The Seventh Son Wigren.

Intro-riff:

E-----	-----
B-----	-----
G-----	-----
D--9-9-9-9-9----5---7--	--9-9-9-9-9----5---7--
A--7-7-7-7-7----3---5--	--7-7-7-7-7----3---5--
E-----	-----

E-----	-----
B-----	-----
G-----	-----
D--9-9-9-9-9----5---7--	--9-9-9-9--5-5-5-5---7-7-5-7--
A--7-7-7-7-7----3---5--	--7-7-7-7--3-3-3-3---5-5-3-5--
E-----	-----

Riff 1:

E-----	
B-----	
G-----	
D-----7-5---5-5-----	
A--0---0-5-7-----7-----0-5-3-0--	
E-----	

E-----	
B-----	
G-----	
D-----7-5---5-5-7--	
A--0---0-5-7-----0--3--3-5--	
E-----	

Verse:

E-----	-----
B-----	-----
G-----	-----

D--9-----| --9-----|  
A--7--7-7-7-7-7-7--| --7--7-7-7-7-7-7--|  
E-----| -----|

E-----| -----|  
B-----| -----|  
G-----| -----|  
D--5-----| --7-----|  
A--3--3-3-3-3-3-3--| --5--5-5-5-5-5-5--|  
E-----| -----|

# Riff 2:

E-----| -----|  
B-----| -----|  
G-----| -----|  
D-----| -----|  
A--7---5---4-----| --7---5---4-----|  
E-----5-3--| -----5-3--|

# Riff 3:

E-----| -----|  
B-----| -----|  
G-----| -----|  
D-----| -----|  
A--9-----| --6--6--6-7--|  
E--7--7-7-7-7-7-7-7--| --4--4--4-5--|

# Chorus:

E-----| -----|  
B-----| -----|  
G-----5-6-8--| -----8--6-5-----|  
D--8-----6--8-----| --8-----8-6-5-----|  
A--6--6-----| --6--6-----8--|  
E----4-----| ----4-----|

# Solo-riff:

E-----|  
B-----|  
G-----|  
D--3-2-0-5-----|  
A-----3--3-3-3-3-3-3-3-3-3--|  
E-----|

E-----|  
B-----|  
G-----|  
D--3-2----3-2----3-2----3-2-----|  
A-----5-3-----5-3-----5-3-----5-3--|  
E-----|

E-----|  
B-----|  
G-----|

D-----|  
A--3-2-0-5-----|  
E-----3--3-3-3-3-3-3-3-3-3--|

E-----|  
B-----|  
G-----|  
D-----|  
A--3-2-----3-2-----3-2-----3-2-----|  
E-----5-3-----5-3-----5-3-----5-3--|

E-----|  
B-----|  
G-----|  
D--3-2-0-5-----|  
A-----3--3-3-3-3-3-3-3-3-3--|  
E-----|

E-----|  
B-----|  
G-----|  
D-----|  
A--3-2-0-5-----|  
E-----3--3-3-3-3-3-3-3-3-3--|

E-----|  
B-----|  
G-----|  
D-----|  
A--3-2-----3-2-----3-2-----3-2-----|  
E-----5-3-----5-3-----5-3-----5-3--|

End of solo-riff.

Outro:

E-----	-----
B-----	-----
G-----	-----
D--9-9-9-9-9---5---7--	--9-9-9-9-9---5---7--
A--7-7-7-7-7---3---5--	--7-7-7-7-7---3---5--
E-----	-----

E-----	-----
B-----	-----
G-----	-----
D--9-9-9-9-9---5---7--	--9-9-9-9---5-5-5-5---9-9-7-9--
A--7-7-7-7-7---3---5--	--7-7-7-7---3-3-3-3---7-7-5-7--
E-----	-----

Song-structure:

Intro

Riff 1 (4 times)

Verse (4 times)

Riff 2 (2 times)  
Riff 3 (4 times)  
Chorus (2 times)  
Riff 2 (2 times)  
Verse (4 times)  
Riff 2 (2 times)  
Riff 3 (4 times)  
Chorus (2 times)  
Riff 1 (4 times)  
Solo-riff  
Riff 2 (2 times)  
Verse (4 times)  
Riff 2 (2 times)  
Riff 3 (4 times)  
Chorus (2 times)  
Outro  
END

Lyrics:

Longboats have been sighted the evidence of war has begun  
Many Nordic fighting men their swords and shields all gleam in the sun  
Call to arms defend yourself get ready to stand and fight for your lives  
Judgement day has come around so be prepared don t run stand your ground

They re coming in from the sea  
They ve come the enemy  
Bebeath the blazing sun  
The battle has to be won  
Invaders...Pillaging  
Invaders...Looting

Set ablaze the campfires alert the other men from inland  
Warning must be given there s not enough men here for a stand  
The Vikings are too many too powerful to take on our own  
We must have reinforcements we cannot fight this battle alone

They re coming over the hill  
They ve come to attack  
They re coming in for the kill  
There s no turning back  
Invaders...Fighting  
Invaders...Marauding

Axes grind and maces clash as wounded fighters fall to the ground  
Severed limbs and fatal woundings bloody corpses lay all around  
The smell of death and burning flesh the battle weary fight to the end  
The Saxons have been overpowered victims of mighty Norsemen

You d better scatter and run  
The battle lost and not won  
You d better get away  
To fight another day

Invaders...Raping  
Invaders...Plundering

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