

Mud Football
Jack Johnson

MUD FOOTBALL

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CHORDS

Most of this song is just the G and D7 chords as shown below

G X 5 5 4 3 X
D7 X 5 4 5 3 X

I would recommend holding the G with this fingering

0 E_A_D_G_B_e
1 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ |
2 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ |
3 T | _ | _ | _ | 1 | 1 |
4 | _ | _ | _ | 2 | _ | _ |
5 | _3_4_ | _ | _ | _ |

which means the thumb (T) mutes the low E string and the
1st finger mutes the high e string

and the D7 chord should be fingered like this, allowing for
and easy transition between the two chords

0 E_A_D_G_B_e
1 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ |
2 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ |
3 T | _ | _ | _ | 1 | 1 |
4 | _ | _ | 2 | _ | _ |
5 | _3_ | _4_ | _ | _ |

so that the only two fingers moving are the 2nd and 4th (middle and pinky)
as they swap strings while staying on the same frets... easy

the CHORUS has the following chords aswell

E 0 2 2 1 0 0
G 3 5 5 4 3 3
C X 3 5 5 5 3
A X 0 2 2 2 0

the rythym for the intro is something like this

G-x-x-G-x-x-G-x-x-G-x-x-G-x-x-G-x-x-G-x-x-G-x-x-G-x-x-G-x-x-G-x-x-G-x-x-
D-x-x-D-x-x-D-x-x-D-x-x-D-x-x-D-x-x-D-x-x-D-x-x-D-x-x-D-x-x-D-x-x-D-x-x-
repeated

this basically means you keep your right hand going at a steady pace,
striking the strings with equal power every time, but only squeezing with
the left hand every third strum, so you get that feeling... just listen and
you ll figure it out...

then the VERSE (you can figure the rythm out here)

G
Saturday morning and it s time to go
One of these could be the days but who could a known

D7
Loadin in the back of a pick-up truck
Ridin with the boys and pushing their luck

G
Singin songs loud on the way to the game
Wishing all the things could still be the same

D7
China s homeruns over the backstop
Ke kua on the barb and soda pop

CHORUS

E **G**
We used to laugh a lot

C
But only because we thought

G **D7** **G** **D7**
That everything good always would remain

G **D7** **G** **D7**
Nothing gonna change there s no need to complain

(Repeat INTRO just once on each chord)

G
Sunday morning and this time they re going
Been raining all night so everybody knows

D7
Over to the field for tackle football
Big hits, big hats, yeah give me the ball

G
Rain is pouring, touchdown scoring
Keep on rolling, never boring

D7
Karma, karma, karma chameleon
We re talking kinda funny from helium

(repeat CHORUS from above)

We used to laugh a lot
But only because we thought
That everything good always would remain

Nothing gonna change there s no need to complain

-10-x-x-9-x-x-7-x-10-x-x-9-x-7-x-

--8-x-x-7-x-x-5-x--8-x-x-7-x-5-x-

-10-x-x-9-x-x-7-x-10-x-x-9-x-7-5-5\0----5\0-

--8-x-x-7-x-x-5-x--8-x-x-7-x-5-5-5\0----5\0-

G
Monday morning and this time they re going
Wet trunks and schoolbooks and sand on my toes

D7
Do anything you can to dodge the bus-stop blues
They re driving a padidle with a burnt-out fuse

G
My best friend Kenny wants to go with you
So meet him by the sugar mill after school

D7
My best friend Kimmy wants to go with you
Meet her by the sugar mill after school

(repeat CHORUS as before)
We used to laugh a lot
But only because we thought
That everything good always would remain
(THEN)
(CHORUS type 2)

E **G**
We used to laugh a lot
C
But only because we thought

A
That everything good always would
C **G** **D7**
Everything good always would remain

(repeat INTRO into fade out)