Working John Working Joe Jethro Tull

Intro: E5 D5 Dsus4 D D5
Repeat Intro Sequence

verse 1

E5 D5

When I was a young man as all good tales begin

single notes:5th string 4th

string 3rd string 4th String

open **G E**

I was taught to hold out my hand

Bridge: Play Intro chord sequence

E5 D5

And for my pay I worked an honest day

A2 D5 E5 single notes: A B D G E

and took what pittance I could win

Bridge: Play Intro chord sequence once

Chorus

E5 D5 E5 Dsus4 D D5

Now I m a working John

E5 D5 E5 Dsus4 D D5

and I m a working Joe

E5 D5 E5 Dsus4 D D5

and I m doing what I know

Bsus4

for God and the Economy

D5 Cmaj7/G

Big brother watches over me

E5 D5 Dsus4 D D5

And the state protects and feeds me

E5 D5 Dsus4 D D5

And my conscience never leaves me

E5 D5 Dsus4 D D5

And I m loyal to the unions

E5 D5 Dsus4 D D5

who protect me at all levels

Bridge: INTRO CHORD PATTERN TWICE OVER GUITAR SOLO

verse 2

E5 D5

Now as I grew, the winds of fortune blew

A5 D5 E5 single notes: A B D G E

and the bank smiled down upon me

Bridge: Intro chord pattern Once

E5 D5

And mortgaged to the hilt I threw

A2 D5 E5 single notes: A B D G E

the breeze of caution behind me

Bridge: Intro chord pattern once

Chorus

Now I m a working John and I m a working Joe

and I m good at what I know

And God and the Economy

have blessed me with equality

Now I m equal to the best of you

And better than the rest of you

who would criticise my success

in times of national unrest

Guitar Solo: Intro twice and then play 2 bars each of Bsus4 A5 E5 Bsus4 A5 E5

verse 3

D5/F# E5 D5

Now I own a horseless carriage

E5 D5

in a central-heated garage

E5 D5

And I commute eight miles a day

E5 D5

up at seven to make it pay

E5 D5

I direct ten limited companies

E5 D5

with seeming consummate expertise

E5 D5

two ulcers and a heart disease

E5

a trembling feeling in both knees

Chorus

(Tacet) Dsus4 D D5 E5 Dsus4 D D5