

The Chicken In Black
Johnny Cash

A D E A E

A

For two long years my head hurt bad

D

So the doctor checked me and he shook his head

E

A

E

He said I m sorry to tell you put your body s out lived your brain

A

He said I know this doctor in New York son

D

And he ll fix you right up with a brand new one

E

A

E

So the head doctor met me when I stepped down off the train.

A

He said we had this bank robber killed last night

D

His body s shot but his brain s alright

E

A

E

I ll give you a transplant boy and you ll be okay.

A

I got my new brain in and I was feelin great

D

I went right back to Nashville with no head ache

E

A

But somethin strange happened when I walked in the bank one day.

Chorus:

D

I said stick em up everybody I m robbin this place

A

Drop all of your money in my guitar case

D

E

Don t nobody move and don t nobody reach for that door

A

A lady said why you re Johnny Cash

D

I said no ma am, I m The Manhattan Flash

E

A

And I am the best bank robber, in New York.

A

Now the other night Roy Acuff called me

D

He said John I d like you to do the Orpy

E **A** **E**
So I went out on the stage, but I couldn't sing
A
I got into half a verse of I Walk The Line
D
And somethin' snapped in this head of mine
E **A**
I yelled stick 'em up, give me your money your watches and your rings.

Bb
Well I called New York and talked to that brain quack

Db
I said doc I got to have my old brain back
F **Bb** **F**
He said I'm sorry there Mr. Cash but I can't do that.

Bb
He said I put your brain in a chicken last Monday
Db
He's singin' your songs and makin' lots of money
F **Bb** **F**
And I got him signed to a ten year recordin' contract.

Bb
Now friends if you see me walkin' down the street
Db
Remember what you see ain't necessarily me
F **Bb**
And if I try to hold you up, don't pay me no mind.

Bb
But when you got ten bucks that you can blow
Db
You oughta catch that Johnny Chicken Show
F **Bb**
He's doin' fairs and concert dates all up and down the line.

Chorus2:

Db
I said stick 'em up everybody I'm robbin' this place
Bb
Drop all of your money in my guitar case
Db **F**
Don't nobody move and don't nobody reach for that door
Bb
A lady said why you're Johnny Cash
Db
I said no ma'am, I'm The Manhattan Flash
F **Bb** **F**
And I am the best bank robber, in New York.
Well it don't pay any income tax
You don't pay tax on money you steal

You oughta catch that Johnny Chicken Show
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