

**The Boxer**  
**Mumford & Sons**

**G**  
I am just a poor boy  
**G/F# Em**  
Though my story s seldom told  
**D**  
I have squandered my resistance  
**C G**  
For a pocket full of mumbles such are promises  
**G/F# Em**  
All lies and jests  
**D C**  
Still a man hears what he wants to hear  
**C/B G**  
And disregards the rest  
**G**  
When I left my home and my family  
**G/F# Em**  
I was no more than a boy  
**D**  
In the company of strangers  
**C G**  
In the quiet of the railway station running scared  
**G/F# Em D C**  
Laying low, seeking out the poorer quarters  
**G**  
Where the ragged people go  
**D C Em G/F# G**  
Looking for the places only they would know  
Chorus:  
**Em**  
Lie-la-lie  
**D**  
Lie-la-lie la lie-la-lie  
**Em**  
Lie la lie  
**C D G**  
Lie-la-lie la la la la lie la la la la lie  
**G**  
Asking only workman s wages  
**G/F# Em**  
I come looking for a job  
**D**  
But I get no offers,  
**C G**

Just a come-on from the whores on Seventh Avenue

**G/F# Em D**

**C**

I do declare, there were times when I was so lonesome

**G**

I took some comfort there

**G**

Then I m laying out my winter clothes

**G/F# Em**

And wishing I was gone

**D**

Going home

**C**

Where the New York City winters aren t bleeding me

**G/F# Em D**

Bleeding me, going home

**G**

Repeat the Chorus (He sings it a little bit different but it s difficult to distinguish la s and lie s)

During solo play the verse chord progression

**G**

In the clearing stands a boxer

**G/F# Em**

And a fighter by his trade

**D**

And he carries the reminders

**C**

Of ev ry glove that layed him down

**G**

Or cut him till he cried out

**G/F# Em**

In his anger and his shame

**D**

**C**

I am leaving, I am leaving

**G**

But the fighter still remains

**Em**

Lie-la-lie

**D**

Lie-la-lie la lie-la-lie

**Em**

Lie la lie

**C**

**D**

**Em**

Lie-la-lie la la la la lie la la la la lie

**Em**

Lie-la-lie

**D**

Lie-la-lie la lie-la-lie

**Em**

Lie la lie

**C**

**D**

**Em**

Lie-la-lie la la la la lie la la la la lie

**D**

Lie-la-lie la lie-la-lie

**Em**

Lie la lie

**C**

**D**

**G**

Lie-la-lie la la la la lie la la la la lie