

Powderfinger
Neil Young

Tab legend:

- _5 hammer on/pull off (h/p)
- /7 slide up
- 5 slide down
- 5= vibrato(single notes)/sustain(whole chords)
- 5^ bend up
- 5` slight bend
- 7^(7) bend and release
- (7)/9 start slide on 7, finish on 9
- (9) ghost bend -or- strike whilst bent
- 5. staccato note
- harmonic
- AH
- 10 pinch harmonic/artificial harmonic
- x mute string

VERSE:

F# (-----rest-----) **B** **F#** **B/G F#**
 Look out, Mama, there s a white boat coming up the river
B **F#** **B/G F#**
 With a big red beacon, and a flag, and a man on the rail
B
 I think you d better call John,
Bbm **B**
 Cause it don t look like they re here to deliver the mail
Bbm7 **B**
 And it s less than a mile away
Bbm7 **B**
 I hope they didn t come to stay
Bbm7 **B**
 It s got numbers on the side and a gun
C#
 And it s making big waves

FILL:

C#	F#	B	F#	B	F#
-----	-----	----0-0-----	-3-----3-		
/7-7--7-5-3-0--5--3--0===	----1-1-----	-----	-0-----1--0-		
(/7-7--7-5-4-0--5--4--0===)	-----	----0-0---h--0-	-----0-0--0-		
(rythm guitar)-	-----	--2==2-2--0_2---	-----0_2---2--0-		
-----	-----	--3==-----	-----2-		
-----	-----	-----	-----3-		

VERSE:

Daddy s gone, my brother s out hunting in the mountains
 Big John s been drinking since the river took Emmylou

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E|-4_3-----3--3-|
B|----5-----|
G|-----5.5=====|

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So the Powers That Be left me here to do the thinking

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E|-----|
B|----4-----|
G3//5-5311=====|
D|-----0_35.

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And I just turned twenty two
I was wondering what to do
And the closer they got
The more those feelings grew

FILL:

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C#           F#           B           F#   B   F#
|-----|-----|-----0-0-----|-3--3--3-----|
|/7-7-7-5-3-0-/5--3--0=====|-----1-1-----|-0--1--0-----9
|(/7-7-7-5-3-0-/5--3--0=====)---|-----0-0--h-0--|-0--0--0---- 8810|
|-----|-----|-2==2-2-0_2---|-0--2--0----(mute)
|-----|-----|-3==-----|-2--3--2-----|
|-----|-----|-3-----3-----|

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SOLO I:

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F#           B           F#
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|911-11^=====11^(11)9-=99-11^==11^(11)-----|-----10111311
|-----10-----8-----8/10-h-----|
|(mute)-----8===-----8_10=====|
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
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B           F#
|-----|-----1212_11_12-11=====|
|10119=====1113111011-/13/13=13=====|-----|
|-----|------(vibrato)-----|-----| |
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|-----|-----|-----|-----|

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B           Bbm           B
|-----|-----p-|-----=-----|-----|
|--19-20-202120-1616/1818-1820_18-20==-----15-18== 14=====|
|20-----|-----20=-----|-----| |
|---|---|---|---|
|-----|-----|-----|-----|

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Bbm7           Bmaj7           Bbm7           Bmaj7
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|-----|-----|-----1113=1311.--14=13-13_14_13--|
11=11==11^=11^==(11)9---88/10==-/13-----|-----|

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| 9==9==-----|-----10-----|-----|-----|
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
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Bbm7                Bmaj7                C#
|-----AH|-----p-----|-----|
13.---11/13--(11)1111-11-13_11--|7-----|
|-13.-----|-----|7-----|
(upstrokes)-----|-----|7-----|
|-----|-----|5-----|
|-----|-----|-----|
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C#                F#                B                F#    B    F#
|-----|-----|0----- (0)===| -3--3=-----|
|/7-7--7-5-3-0--5--3--0===| -1----- (1)===| -0----1-1_2_1==
(/7-7--7-5-4-0--5--4--0===)-----| -0---- (0)===| -0-----|
|-----|-----| -2==0_2-----| -0-----|
|-----|-----| -3===-----| -2-----|
|-----|-----|-----| -3-----|
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VERSE:

Daddy s rifle in my hand felt reassuring
 He told me, Red means run, son, numbers add up to nothing
 But when the first shot hit the docks I saw it coming
 Raised my rifle to my eye
 Never stopped to wonder why
 Then I saw black
 And my face splashed in the sky

FILL:

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C#                F#                B                F#    B    F#
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|/7-7--7-5-3-0--5--3--0===|-----===----13_1513_15
(/7-7--7-5-4-0--5--4--0===)-----|-----===-----|
|-----|-----|-----(vibrato)-|-----|
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
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SOLO II:

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F#                B                F#
|-----/13-----|-----|-----|
|16-_15_13-13--|11_13-8/10---9.|---13==12_13_1212-----|
|-----13=-|----- 7^--11/13-----| -13-----|
|-----|-----|-----|--13=1315/1715|
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
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B                F#
|-----|-----|-----| -1012=-----|
1313_1413x11x---|-----|-----| 9---/13=-----|
|-----13--|-----AH-13151315//18==-----|-----15-17
|-----1313/15-----|-----|-----|
|-----|-----|----- muted )-|-----|
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B		Bbm	B
1618.21=20-201820-182018-20_21_20===-20192018-21==20.	(20)		21.19.

Bbm7	Bmaj7	Bbm7	Bmaj7
		AH	
11=11==11^=11^==(11)9---88/10==		10-8	8==8=====
9==9==	10	10-8	10.

Bbm7	Bmaj7	C#
		2=====
		3=====
11==11.11^--(11^)-(11)-910---		2=====2_0----
9===9.=====9--		0=====0-----

C#	F#	B
		3-----3==-----3--3
/7-7--7-5-3-0--5--3--0==-----		-5==--1-3-1-0==0==-----1--0--0
(/7-7--7-5-4-0--5--4--0==)-----		-5==-----0==-----2_0--0--0
		-5==-----0==-----0_2_0--2--0--0
		-3==-----
		-----3

VERSE:
 Shelter me from the powder and the finger
 Cover me with the thought that pulled the trigger
 Just think of me as one you d never figured
 Would fade away so young
 With so much left undone
 Remember me to my love
 I know I ll miss her

C#	F#	B	F#	B	F#
/7-7--7-5-3-0--5--3--0==-----		-5==--1 1_3-0--=====			
(/7-7--7-5-4-0--5--4--0==)-----		-5==-----=====			
		-5==-----=====x-8/10			
		-3==-----			
