

Holland 1945
Neutral Milk Hotel

[Intro]

C

Two, one, two, three, four
(muted strumming -----|)

C G C G

[Verse]

C

G

The only girl I ve ever loved

C

G

Was born with roses in her eyes

C

G

But then they buried her alive

D

C

One evening Nine-teen-forty-five

D

G

With just her sister at her side

D

C

And only weeks before the guns

D

G

All came and rained on everyone

D

C

Now she s a little boy in Spain

D

G

Playing pianos filled with flames

D

C

On empty rings around the sun

D

C

G

All sing to say my dream has come

[Chorus]

C

G

But now we must pick up every piece

C

G

Of this life we used to love

C

G

Just to keep ourselves at least

D

Enough to carry on!

[Verse]

C **G**
And now we ride the circus wheel
C **G**
With your dark brother wrapped in white
C **G**
Says it was good to be alive
D **C**
But now he rides a comet s flame
D **G**
And won t be coming back again
D **C**
The Earth looks better from a star
D **G**
That s right above from where you are
D **C**
He didn t mean to make you cry
D **G**
With sparks that ring and bullets fly
D **C**
On empty rings around your heart
D **C** **G**
The world just screams and falls apart

[Chorus]

C **G**
But now we must pick up every piece
C **G**
Of the life we used to love
C **G**
Just to keep ourselves at least
D
Enough to carry on!

[Verse]

G **A** **B** **C** **G**
And here s where your mother sleeps
G **A** **B** **C** **G** **D**
And here is the room where your brothers were born
G **A** **B** **C** **G**
In-den-tions in the sheets
G **A** **B** **C** **G** **D**
Where their bodies once moved but don t move anymore
C **G** **C** **G**
And it s so sad to see the world agree
C **G** **D**
That they d rather see their faces fill with flies
G **A** **B** **C** **D** **G**

All when I d want to keep white roses in their eyes

C G C D C G