

The Great Valerio  
Richard Thompson

There are certainly more accurate representations of this song posted on the web, but there s no way I am going to play them. Let s face it; mr.Thompson is rated 12th best guitar player ever by Rolling Stone magazine, while I am no where on that list. But these chords suit the average campfire player as well as the song.

Am Em  
High up above the crowd  
Am Em  
The graet Valerio is walking  
Am Em  
His rope sems hung from cloud to cloud  
Am G7  
Time stands still while he is walking  
C F Am  
His eye is steady on the target  
F G7  
His foot is sure upon the rope  
Am Dm  
Alone and peacefull as a mountain  
Em C E7 Am  
And certain as a mountain slope

( Chorus )

**B7**                      **C**                      **F**

How we wonder, how we wonder

**G**                      **C**                      **F**

Watching far below

**A<sup>m</sup>**    **D<sup>m</sup>**

We would all be that great hero

**E<sup>m</sup>**                      **C E7 A<sup>m</sup>**

The great Valerio

We falter at the sight  
We stumble in the mire  
Fools who think they see the light  
Prepare to balance on the wire  
But we learn to watch together  
And feed on what we see above  
Until our hearts turn like the season  
And we are acrobats of love

( Chorus )

Come all you upstart jugglers

Are you really ready yet  
Who will help the tightrope walker  
As he stumbles to the net  
Come and see Valerio  
As he dances through the air  
I m your friend untill you use me  
And then be sure that I ll be there