

Maxwell's Silver Hammer
The Beatles

D **B7** **Em**
Joan was quizzical, studied pataphysical science in the home,
A7 **D** **A**
late night all alone with a test tube, oh, oh, oh, oh.
D **B7** **Em**
Maxwell Edison, majoring in medicine, calls her on the phone.
A7 **D** **A**
Can I take you out to the pictures, Jo-o-o-oan?
E7 **A7**
But, as she s getting ready to go, a knock comes from the door:

D **E7**
Bang! Bang! Maxwell s silver hammer came down upon her head.
A7 **Em** **A7** **D**
Clang! Clang! Maxwell s silver hammer made sure that she was dead.

Back in school again, Maxwell plays the fool again, teacher gets annoyed.
Wishing to avoid an unpleasant sce-e-e-ene.
She tells Max to stay when the class has gone away,
so he waits behind. Writing fifty times I must not be so-o-o-o-o.
But, when she turns her back on the boy, he creeps up from behind:

{Chorus}

P.C. thirtyone said We ve caught a dirty one. , Maxwell stands alone.
Painting testimonial pictures, oh, oh, oh, oh.
Rose and Valerie, screaming from the gallery, say he must go free.
The judge does not agree. And he tells them so-o-o-o-o.
But, as the words are leaving his lips, a noise came from behind:

{Chorus}