

**Billy Liar**  
**The Decemberists**

Billy Liar s got his hands in his pockets **G Em**  
 Staring over at his neighbor s, knickers down. **A Em**  
 He s got his knickers down. **A Em A D**  
 So the summer is eternity for you? **G Em**  
 Sleeping in until your father s shaking you down **A Em**  
 He s shaking you down. **Em A**  
 And the mailroom shift gets a real short shrift **G**  
 As you dole out the packages, no-one seems to want you around **F#m**  
 All skullking a round. **Em A**

CHORUS

**D Bm D Bm**  
 Let your legs loll on the lino  
**D F#m Em G A**  
 Til your sinews spoil  
**D Bm D Bm**  
 Will you stay here for a while, dear,  
**D F#m Em G**  
 Til the radio plays something familiar?  
**A**  
 Plays something familiar.

SOLO I

**G Em**  
 e-----5----7----8--9----10----7----5----7-----|  
 B-----|  
 G-----|  
 D-----|  
 A-----|  
 E-----|

**A Em**  
 e-----5----7----8--9----10----7----5----7----0-|  
 B---8-----|

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G-----|
D-----|
A-----|
E-----|
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**A Em**

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e---5---3---2---0---2/3---5---3---2---0---|
B-----|
G-----|
D-----|
A-----|
E-----|
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**A D**

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e---5---3---2---0---|
B-----|
G-----|
D-----|
A-----|
E-----|
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VERSE II (Same Chords)

All a-drifting, he s the nogood boyo  
 Sent a-fishing for a whalebone corset frame  
 (The only catch all day)

So he sits and lets the current take him  
 A gentle breeze will leave his pants in disarray  
 And at his ankles laid.

As he drifts to sleep with a moan and a weep  
 He is decked by a Japanese geisha with a garland of pearls  
 How she twists and twirls!

CHORUS (Same Chords and Words) \*ADD

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D           F#m Em           G
Til the radio plays something familiar
      A
      Plays something familiar
      Em
      Plays something familiar
      A
      Plays something familiar
  
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OUTRO

**Em A**

e--3--3--2--2--0--0-----0-----|  
B-----3--3--2--2--3--3--4--4--5--5---|  
G-----|  
D-----|  
A-----|  
E-----|

**Em**

Bah bah bah bah bah bah bah-da-dah

**A**

Bah bah bah bah bah bah bah bah

REPEAT UNTIL FADE

END