

Collapsing Stars
The Mountain Goats

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Tuning: Standard

Intro: **Dm**

Dm **A**
when we hid out behind the risers at the high school,
G **Dm**
working bitter calculations with a slide rule.
Dm **A**
the grim particulars of poisoning the swimming pool,
G **A**
well you looked me in the eye,
Dm **G**
ready to die.
Dm **A**
we were becoming what we are,
Dm
collapsing stars.

Dm **A**
when we chewed up pseudoephedrine like bubble gum,
G **Dm**
til our hearts were beating as deep and rich as kettle drums
Dm **A**
we knew if we waited long enough the change would come.
G **A**
and then the day did come and at last
Dm **G**
hold tight. hold fast.
Dm **A**
catch lightning in a jar,
Dm
collapsing stars.

G **Dm**
I told you to load up on provisions,
G **Dm**
because we wouldn't be back for a while.
G **Dm**
pack up your troubles in your old kit bag
G **A**
turn toward the camera and smile, smile, smile.

Dm

A

when we ditched the plan to poison all our enemies,

G

Dm

stuffed our weapons in a clearing, and covered them with leaves,

Dm

A

we are going to come rejoicing bringing in the sheaves

G

A

one day, and we are on our way.

Dm

G

you can look, but you won't find

Dm

A

another love like ours,

Dm

collapsing stars.

Outro: **Dm A G Dm (x3), Dm A Dm**