

Tiny Children
The Teardrop Explodes

This has always been one of my favourite Julian Cope songs; simple and yet affecting. Originally done on some kind of synthesiser(s) I guess, but nice to play on a guitar.

Key of C (mainly, but with Eb thrown in to keep it interesting.)

Intro

C Dm (x4)

Verse 1

(Each line of the verse follow this progression. Listen for timing.)

C Dm Em Dm

Half the time as I sit in disarray
I am thinking of a dream I never had
Then I awake, and for a while
I call your name in Colin's house
But tiny children have a way of falling down

Interlude 1

Eb Dm

Oh, I could make a meal

Eb Dm

Of that wonderful despair I feel

Eb Dm G

But waking up I turn and face the wall

Verse 2

(Each line of the verse follow this progression. Listen for timing.)

C Dm Em Dm

The car arrives and takes me back again
Drifting through imaginary planes
And fighting men aboard a raft
A sailing ship has run aground
And confidence is valued in these days

Interlude 2

Eb Dm

But each character

Eb Dm

Is plundering my home

Eb Dm G

And taking everything that is my own

Interlude 3

(Repeat this next section twice)

Dm C

Oh no, Iâ€™m not sure about

Dm **C**

Those things that I care about

Dm **C** **G**

Oh no, Iâ€™m not sure, not any more...

(Repeat the verse progression to fade.)

C Dm Em Dm

Repeating Melody

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7-5-7-----7-5|7-5-7-----7-|
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(I can t be bothered writing out all the tab, but that should be enough to get you going.)