

Cletus Take The Reel

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**Eb** **Bb** **Cm** **Bb**  
I was fishing last Friday on a lake in Mississippi in the humid summer heat  
**Eb** **Bb** **Cm** **Bb**  
on a boat with my best friend Cletus who was sleeping in the back seat  
**Eb** **Bb** **Cm** **Bb**  
well the bites were slow and we were running low on chips and Gatorade  
**G#**  
it had been a long hard day  
**Eb** **Bb** **Cm**  
felt a tug on the line and I didn't pay attention it was spinning way to  
**Bb**  
fast  
**Eb** **Bb** **Cm** **Bb**  
before I knew it I was staring at a ten pound shiny bass  
**Eb** **Bb** **Cm** **Bb**  
when I tried to pull the fish inside I pulled a muscle in my upper thigh  
**G#** **Eb**  
I was so scared I threw my rod up in the air  
**Bb**  
Cletus take the reel  
**F**  
take it from my hand  
**Cm** **Eb**  
cause I can't do it on my own  
**Bb** **F**  
I'm letting go and I need your help bad  
**Cm** **Eb**  
and if you don't my fish is gone  
**Eb** **Bb** **Cm** **Bb** **Eb** **Bb** **G#**  
oh Cletus take the reel  
**Bb**  
oh I'm letting go  
**F**  
and I need your help bad  
**Cm** **Eb**  
and if you don't my fish is gone  
**Cm** **Eb**  
on this boat I'm on  
**Bb** **Cm**  
Cletus take the reel  
**Bb** **Eb** **Bb**  
oh take it take it from me  
**Cm** **Bb** **Cm** - **Bb**  
Oh whaaaaa ooooh.....