

California English
Vampire Weekend

This song can be played with open chords, but I think that it sounds much better played with barre chords.

Also, if you watch a live performance, The band members play it with barre chords.

C C C

Wouldn't ever gag you with a spoon, my only true love

C C C

Never really heard you speak that way, it's unworthy of?

C C C

Funny how that little college girl called language corrupt

C C C

Funny how the other private schools had no Hapa Club

C C C

Someone took a trip before you came to ski in the Alps

C C C

Your father moved across the country just to sunburn his scalp

C C C

Contra Costa, Contra Mundum, contradict what I say

C C C

F

Living like the French Connection, but we'll die in LA

Em

G

C

F

Blasted from a disconnected light switch

Em

G

C

F

Through the condo that they'll never finish

Em

G

C

F

Bounced across a Saudi satellite dish

Em

G

C

C C C

And through your brain to California English

C C C

No one sits inside a freezing flat and stays there 'til May

C C C

Leafing through a stack of A-Zs to surf the UK

C C C

Waiting with the wind against your face and gel in your hair

C C C

F

Shivering in little undershirts, but don't seem to care

Em

G

C

F

Blasted from a disconnected light switch

Em

G

C

F

Through the condo that they'll never finish

Em **G** **C** **F**

Bounced across a Saudi satellite dish

Em **G** **C** **C C C**

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G

Sweet carob rice cake

F **C**

She don't care how the sweets taste

F

Fake Philly cheese steak

Em **C**

But she use real toothpaste

F

Cuz if that Tom's don't work

C

If it just makes you worse

F **G** **C**

Would you loose all of your faith in the good earth

F

And if it's all a curse

C

And we're just getting worse

F **G** **C**

Baby, please don't lose your faith in the good earth

Em **G** **C** **F**

Blasted from a disconnected light switch

Em **G** **C** **F**

Through the condo that they'll never finish

Em **G** **C** **F**

Bounced across a Saudi satellite dish

Em **G** **C** **C C C**

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