

**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.

**Bb Bb Bb**

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

**Bb Bb Bb**

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

**Bb Bb Bb**

Funny how that little college girl called language corrupt

**Bb Bb Bb**

Funny how the other private schools had no Hapa Club

**Bb Bb Bb**

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

**Bb Bb Bb**

Your father moved across the country just to sunburn his scalp

**Bb Bb Bb**

Contra Costa, Contra Mundum, contradict what I say

**Bb Bb Bb**

**Eb**

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

**Dm**

**F**

**Bb**

**Eb**

Blasted from a disconnected light switch

**Dm**

**F**

**Bb**

**Eb**

Through the condo that they'll never finish

**Dm**

**F**

**Bb**

**Eb**

Bounced across a Saudi satellite dish

**Dm**

**F**

**Bb**

**Bb Bb Bb**

And through your brain to California English

**Bb Bb Bb**

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

**Bb Bb Bb**

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

**Bb Bb Bb**

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

**Bb Bb Bb**

**Eb**

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

**Dm**

**F**

**Bb**

**Eb**

Blasted from a disconnected light switch

**Dm**

**F**

**Bb**

**Eb**

Through the condo that they'll never finish

**Dm** **F** **Bb** **Eb**

Bounced across a Saudi satellite dish

**Dm** **F** **Bb** **Bb Bb Bb**

And through your brain to California English

**F**

Sweet carob rice cake

**Eb** **Bb**

She don't care how the sweets taste

**Eb**

Fake Philly cheese steak

**Dm** **Bb**

But she use real toothpaste

**Eb**

Cuz if that Tom's don't work

**Bb**

If it just makes you worse

**Eb** **F** **Bb**

Would you loose all of your faith in the good earth

**Eb**

And if it's all a curse

**Bb**

And we're just getting worse

**Eb** **F** **Bb**

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

**Dm** **F** **Bb** **Eb**

Blasted from a disconnected light switch

**Dm** **F** **Bb** **Eb**

Through the condo that they'll never finish

**Dm** **F** **Bb** **Eb**

Bounced across a Saudi satellite dish

**Dm** **F** **Bb** **Bb Bb Bb**

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