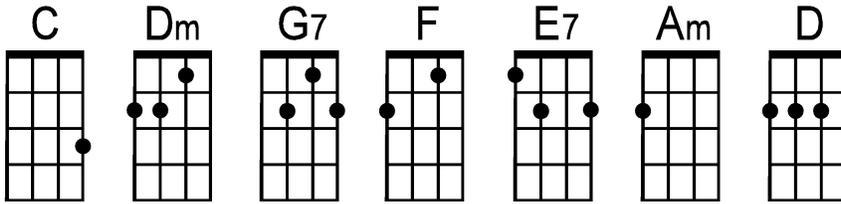


# If I Only Had a Brain - in C

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· | C · · · · | Dm · · · ·  
I could while a-way the hours con-ferrin' with the flowers  
· | C · · · · | · · · ·  
Con-sultin' with the rain—  
· | Dm · · · · | G7 · · · ·  
And my head I'd be scratchin' while my thoughts were busy hatchin'  
· | C · · · · | · · · ·  
If I only had a brain—  
· | C · · · · | Dm · · · · | C · · · ·  
I'd un-ravel any riddle for any indi-vid'le in trouble or in pain—  
· | Dm · · · · | G7 · · · ·  
With the thoughts I'd be thinkin' I could be an-other Lincoln  
· | C · · · · | · · · ·  
If I only had a brain—

## Bridge:

· | F · · · · | C · · · ·  
Oh, I----- would tell you why—  
· | Dm · · G7 · · | C · · · ·  
The o—cean's near the shore—  
· | Dm · · E7 · · | Am · · · ·  
I could think of things I never think be-fore—  
· | D\ --- --- --- | G7 · · · ·  
And then I'd sit and think some more—  
· | C · · · · | Dm · · · ·  
I would not be just a nuffin', my head all full of stuffin'  
· | C · · · · | · · · ·  
My heart all full of pain—  
· | Dm · · · · | G7 · · · ·  
I would dance and be merry, life would be a ding-a-derry  
· | C · · · · | · · · ·  
If I only had a brain—

**Instrumental:**

. | **C** . . . | **Dm** . . . | **C** . . . | . . .  
. | **Dm** . . . | **G7** . . . | **C** . . . | . . .

**Bridge:**

. | **F** . . . . . | **C** . . . .  
Oh, I----- would tell you why-----

. | **Dm** . . . **G7** . | **C** . . . .  
The o---cean's near the shore-----

. | **Dm** . . . **E7** . . . | **Am** . . . .  
I could think of things I never think be-fore-----

. | **D\** --- --- --- | **G7** . . . .  
And then I'd sit and think some more-----

. | **C** . . . . . | **Dm** . . . . .  
Gosh it would be awful pleasin' to reason out the reason

. | **C** . . . . . | . . . . .  
Of things I can't ex-plain---

. | **Dm** . . . . . | **G7** . . . . .  
Then per-haps I'll de-serve ya, even be worthy erv ya

. | **C** . . . . . | . **G7** **C\**  
If I only had a brain-----