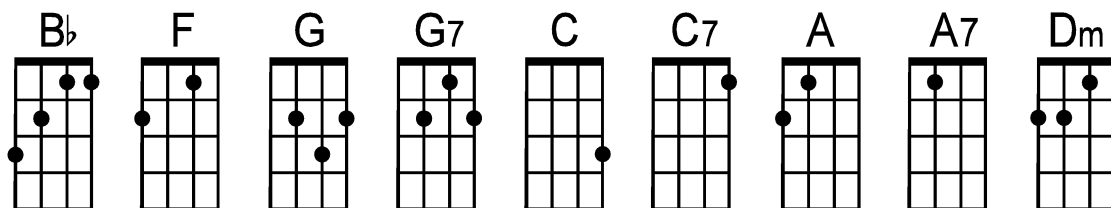


# I'm Just an Old Chunk of Coal (key of F)

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**Intro:** Bb . . . | . . . . | F . . . | . . . . | G7 . . . | C7 . . . | F . . . | . . . . |

(sing C)

F . . . . | . . . . | . . . . | . . . .  
I'm— just an old— chunk of coal—  
. | A . . . . | A7 . . . . | Dm . . . . | . . . . |  
But I'm gonna be a dia—mond some day—  
Bb . . . . | . . . . | F . . . . | . . . .  
I'm gonna grow and glow 'til I'm so blue— pure and per-fect  
. | G . . . . | G7 . . . . | C . . . . | C7 . . . . |  
I'm gonna put a smile on eve-ry—bo—dy's face—  
F . . . . | . . . . | . . . . | . . . .  
I'm gonna kneel and pray— eve-ry day—  
. | A . . . . | A7 . . . . | Dm . . . . | . . . . |  
Lest I should be-come vain— a-long the way—

**Refrain:** Bb . . . . | . . . . | F . . . . | . . . .  
I'm— just an old— chunk of coal— now— Lord—  
. | G7 . . . . | C7 . . . . | F . . . . | . . . . |  
But I'm gonna be a dia—mond some day—

F . . . . | . . . . | . . . . | . . . .  
I'm gonna learn the right— words to talk—  
. | A . . . . | A7 . . . . | Dm . . . . | . . . . |  
Gonna search and find a better— way to walk—  
Bb . . . . | . . . . | F . . . . | . . . .  
I'm gonna spit and pol—ish my old rough— edged self  
. | G . . . . | G7 . . . . | C . . . . | C7 . . . . |  
'Til I get rid of eve-ry sin-gle flaw—  
. | F . . . . | . . . . | . . . . | . . . .  
Well I'm gonna be the world's— best— friend—  
. | A . . . . | A7 . . . . | Dm . . . . | . . . . |  
Gonna go 'round sha-kin' eve-ry—bo—dy's hand—

**Refrain:** Bb . . . . | . . . . | F . . . . | . . . .  
I'm— just an old— chunk of coal— now— Lord—  
. | G7 . . . . | C7 . . . . | F . . . . | . . . . |  
But I'm gonna be a dia—mond some day—

**Instr:** F . . . | . . . . | . . . . | . . . . |

A . . . | A7 . . . | Dm . . . | . . . . |

Bb . . . | . . . . | F . . . | . . . . |

G7 . . . | C7 . . . | F . . . | . . . .

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Well I'm gonna be the world's— best— friend—

. | A . . . . | A7 . . . . | Dm . . . . | . . . . |  
Gonna go 'round sha-kin' eve-ry-bo--dy's hand—

. | Bb . . . . | . . . . | F . . . . | . . . . |  
**Ending:** Oh, I'm gonna be the cot-ton-pick-in' rage— of the age—

G7 . . . . | C7 . . . . | F . . . . | . C7\ F\  
I'm gonna be a dia—mond some day—

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