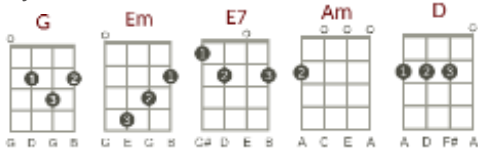


Matchstalk Men and Matchstalk Cats and Dogs

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Intro: **[G] [G] [G] [G]**

He **[G]** painted Salford's smokey tops on **[Em]** cardboard boxes from the shop
And **[E7]** parts of Ancoats where I used to **[Am]** play
I'm **[C]** sure he once walked down our street
for he **[G]** painted kids with nowt on their feet
The **[D]** clothes they wore had all seen better **[G]** days.

Now they said his works of art were dull,
no **[Em]** room and all the walls were full,
But **[E7]** Lowry didn't care much any**[Am]**way,
They **[C]** said he just paints cats and dogs
and **[G]** matchstalk men in boots and clogs
And **[D]** Lowry said that's just the way they'll **[G]** stay.

[D]And he painted **[G]** matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and **[C]** dogs,
He painted **[D]** kids on the corner of the street who were sparking **[G]** clogs, **[D]**
Now he **[G]** takes his brush and he waits out-**[C]**side those factory gates
To paint his **[D]** matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and **[G]** dogs.

[G] Now canvas and brushes were wearing thin
when **[Em]** London started calling him
To **[E7]** come on down and wear the old flat **[Am]** cap,
They said **[C]** tell us all about your ways and all a**[G]**bout those Salford days
Is it **[D]** true you're just an ordinary **[G]** chap? **[D]**

And he painted **[G]** matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and **[C]** dogs,
He painted **[D]** kids on the corner of the street who were sparking **[G]** clogs, **[D]**
Now he **[G]** takes his brush and he waits out-**[C]**side those factory gates
To paint his **[D]** matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and **[G]** dogs.

Now **[G]** Lowry's hang upon the wall be-**[Em]**side the greatest of them all
And **[E7]** even the Mona Lisa takes a **[Am]** bow,
This **[C]** tired old man with hair like snow told **[G]** northern folk it's time to go,
The **[D]** fever came and the good Lord mopped his **[G]** brow .

[D] And he painted **[G]** matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and **[C]** dogs,
He painted **[D]** kids on the corner of the street who were sparking **[G]** clogs,

[D]Now he [G] takes his brush and he waits out-[C]side those factory gates
To paint his [D] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [G] dogs. [E7] [E7]

[E7] And he painted [A] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [D] dogs,
He painted [E7] kids on the corner of the street who were sparking [A] clogs,
[E7]Now he [A] takes his brush and he waits out-[D]side those pearly gates
To paint his [E7] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [A] dogs.

(slowing.....)

To paint his [E7] matchstalk men and matchstalk cats and [A]dogs [A!] [E7!][A!]