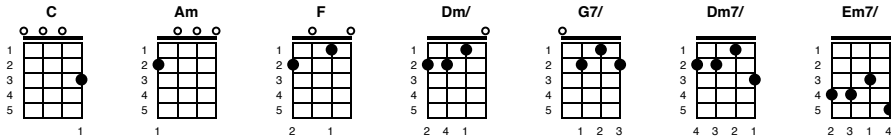


I Am a Rock. 1965. Paul Simon.

Key of C



4/4 (and 2/4) time slowly. 1 2 3 4 [C] [Am] [C]

Verse 1

[Am] _ _ _ A winters [C] da-[C]-ay in a [F] deep and dark De-[C]-cember [C]
[Dm/] I [G7/] am a-[F/](2/4) -lo-[C](4/4)-one
[Dm7/] Gazing from my [Em7/] window [Dm7/] to the streets be-[Em7/]-low
On a [Dm/] freshly fallen [F/] silent shroud of [G↓] snow (tap)

[F/] I am a r-[C/]-ock, [F/] I am an i-[G7]-is-[C]-land [C] [Am]

Verse 2

[Am] _ _ _ I've built [C] wa-[C]-alls, a [F] fortress deep and [C] mighty [C]
That [Dm/] none [G7/] may [F/](2/4) pene-[C](4/4)-trate
I [Dm7/] have no need of [Em7/] friendship; [Dm7/] friendship causes [Em7/] pain
It's [Dm/] laughter and it's [F/] loving I dis-[G↓]-dain (tap)

[F/] I am a r-[C/]-ock, [F/] I am an i-[G7]-is-[C]-land [C] [Am]

Verse 3

[Am] _ _ _ Don't talk of [C] lo-[C]-ove, but I've [F] heard the word be-[C]-fore [C]
It's [Dm/] slee-[G7/]-ping in my [F/](2/4) memor-[C](4/4)-y
I [Dm7/] won't disturb the [Em7/] slumber of [Dm7/] feelings that have [Em7/] died
If I [Dm/] never loved I [F/] never would have [G↓] cried (tap)

[F/] I am a r-[C/]-ock, [F/] I am an i-[G7]-is-[C]-land [C] [Am]

Verse 4

[Am] _ _ _ I have my [C] boo-[C]-ooks and my [F] poetry to pro-[C]-tect me [C]
I am [Dm/] shiel-[G7/]-ded in my [F/](2/4) ar-[C](4/4)-mor
[Dm7/] Hiding in my [Em7/] room, [Dm7/] safe within my [Em7/] womb
I [Dm/] touch no one and [F/] no one touches [G↓] me (tap)

Ending

[F/] I am a r-[C/]-ock, [F/] I am an i-[G7]-is-[C]-land
[C] _ _ _ And a [Dm7↓] rock [G7↓] feels no [C] pain _ _ and an
[Dm7/] Island [G7/] never [C] cries [C~]

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