

American Pie

Pre: **G** **D** **Em7**
A long long time ago

Am **C**
I can still remember how that

Em **D**
Music used to make me smile

G **D** **Em7**
And I knew if I had my chance that

Am **C**
I could make those people dance and

Em **C** **D**
Maybe they'd be happy for a while

Em **Am**
 But February made me shiver

Em **Am**
With every paper I'd deliver

C **G** **Am**
Bad news on the doorstep

C **D**
I couldn't take one more step

G **D** **Em**
I can't remember if I cried

Am7 **D**
When I read about his widowed bride

G **D** **Em**
Something touched me deep inside

C **D7** **G** **C G**
The day the music died

C: **G** **C** **G** **D**
So bye bye Miss American pie

G **C**
Drove my Chevy to the levee

G **D**
But the levee was dry

G **C** **G** **D**
Them good ole boys were drinkin' whiskey and rye

Em **A7**
Singin' this'll be the day that I die

Em **D7**
This'll be the day that I die

V2: G D Em
I met a girl who sang the blues

Am C
I asked her for some happy news

Em D
But she just smiled and turned away

G D Em
I went down to the sacred store

G Am G C
Where I heard the music years before

Em C D
But the man there said the music wouldn't play

Em Am
And in the streets the children screamed

Em Am
The lovers cries and poets dreamed

C G Am
But not a word was spoken

C D
The church bells all were broken

G D Em G
And the three men I admire most

C D7
The Father, Son and Holy Ghost

G D Em
They caught the last train for the coast

C Am7 D7 G
The day the mu--sic died

D7
And they were singin'