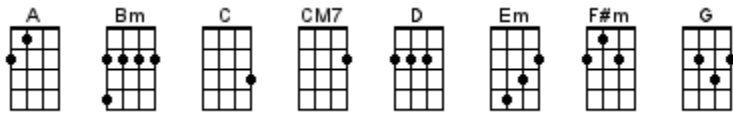


# Circle of Steel

Gordon Lightfoot 1974



**INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 /**

**[D]** Rows of lights in a **[C]** circle of steel  
Where you **[D]** place your bets on a **[G]** great big wheel  
**[D]** Sights and sounds of the **[G]** people goin' **[A]** 'round  
Every-**[Cmaj7]**body's in step with the **[D]**↓ season

**[D]** Rows of lights in a **[C]** circle of steel  
Where you **[D]** place your bets on a **[G]** great big wheel  
**[D]** High windows **[C]** flickerin' down through the **[G]** snow  
A **[D]** time you know  
**[D]** Sights and sounds of the **[G]** people goin' **[A]** 'round  
Every-**[Cmaj7]**body's in step with the **[D]** season **[D]**

A **[D]** child is born to a **[C]** welfare case  
Where the **[D]** rats run around like they **[G]** own the place  
**[D]** The room is **[C]** chilly, the building is **[G]** old  
**[D]** That's how it goes  
The **[D]** doctor's found on his **[G]** welfare **[A]** round  
And he **[Cmaj7]** comes and he leaves on the **[D]** double **[D]**

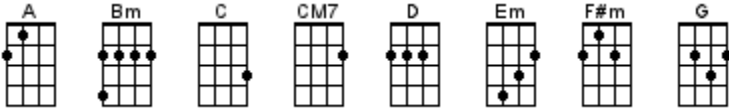
**[D]** Deck The Halls was the **[C]** song they played  
In the **[D]** flat next door where they **[G]** shout all day  
**[D]** She tips her **[C]** gin bottle back till it's **[G]** gone  
The **[D]** child is strong  
A **[D]** week, a day, they will **[G]** take it a-**[A]**way  
For they **[Cmaj7]** know about all her bad **[D]** habits

**[F#m]** Sights and **[Bm]** sounds of the **[Em]** people goin' **[A]** 'round  
Every-**[Cmaj7]**body's in step with the **[D]** season

**[D]** Christmas dawns and the **[C]** snow lets up  
And the **[D]** sun hits the handle of her **[G]** heirloom cup  
**[D]** She hides her **[C]** face in her hands for a **[G]** while  
Says **[D]** look here child  
Your **[D]** father's pride was his **[G]** means to pro-**[A]**vide  
And he's **[Cmaj7]** servin' three years for that **[D]** reason **[D]**

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