

I Shot The Sheriff — Bob Marley

(intro)

Gm7 Cm7 (repeat many times for optional solo, then play the riff)

(chorus 1)

Gm7 Cm7 Gm7
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy
Cm7 Gm7
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy

(verse 1)

E♭7 Dm7 Gm7 E♭7 Dm7 Gm7
All around in my home town, they're trying to track me down
E♭7 Dm7 Gm7 E♭7 Dm7 Gm7
They say they want to bring me in guilty for the killing of a deputy
E♭7 Dm7 Gm7
For the life of a de—puty; but I say (riff)

(chorus 2)

Gm7 Cm7 Gm7
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot no deputy
Gm7 Cm7 Gm7
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot no deputy

(verse 2)

E♭7 Dm7 Gm7 E♭7 Dm7 Gm7
Sheriff John Brown always hated me, for what I don't know
E♭7 Dm7 Gm7 E♭7 Dm7 Gm7
Every time that I plant a seed, he said, "Kill it before it grows."
E♭7 Dm7 Gm7
He said, "Kill it before it grows." I say no (riff)

(chorus 3)

Gm7 Cm7 Gm7
I shot the sheriff, but I swear it was in self-defense
Gm7 Cm7 Gm7
I shot the sheriff, and they say it is a capital offense

(verse 3)

E♭7 Dm7 Gm7 E♭7 Dm7 Gm7
Freedom came my way one day, and I started out of town, yeah
E♭7 Dm7 Gm7 E♭7 Dm7 Gm7
All of a sudden I see sheriff John Brown aiming to shoot me down

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$E\flat 7$ $Dm 7$ $Gm 7$
So I, I had to shoot him down; I say (riff); if I am guilty I will pay

(chorus 4)

$Gm 7$ $Cm 7$ $Gm 7$
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot no deputy
 $Cm 7$ $Gm 7$
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot no deputy

(verse 4)

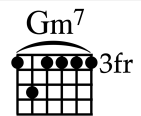
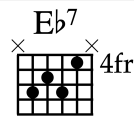
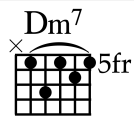
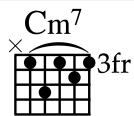
$E\flat 7$ $Dm 7$ $Gm 7$ $E\flat 7$ $Dm 7$ $Gm 7$
Reflexes got the better of me, and what will be will be, yeah
 $E\flat 7$ $Dm 7$ $Gm 7$ $E\flat 7$ $Dm 7$ $Gm 7$
Every day the bucket goes to the well, but one day the bottom will drop out
 $E\flat 7$ $Dm 7$ $Gm 7$
I say, one day, one day the bottom will drop out; but I say (riff)

(chorus 5)

$Gm 7$ $Cm 7$ $Gm 7$
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot no deputy
 $Cm 7$ $Gm 7$
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot no deputy

(solo/outro)

$E\flat 7$ $Dm 7$ $Gm 7$ (repeat then end on the riff)



riff:

