

# I Shot the Sheriff - Bob Marley

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I shot the sheriff  
But I didn't shoot no deputy, oh no, oh  
I shot the sheriff  
But I didn't shoot no deputy, ooh, ooh, ooh

Yeah, all around in my home town  
They're trying to track me down, yeah  
They say they want to bring me in guilty  
For the killing of a deputy  
For the life of a deputy  
But I say  
Oh, now, now, oh

I shot the sheriff, the sheriff  
But I swear it was in self-defense, oh no  
Ooh, ooh, ooh, yeah  
I say, I shot the sheriff, oh Lord  
And they say it is a capital offense, yeah  
Ooh, ooh, ooh, yeah

Sheriff John Brown always hated me  
For what, I don't know  
Every time I plant a seed  
He said kill it before it grow  
He said kill them before they grow  
And so, and so  
Read it in the news

I shot the sheriff, oh Lord  
But I swear it was in self-defense  
Where was the deputy? Ooh, ooh, ooh  
I say, I shot the sheriff  
But I swear it was in self-defense, yeah  
Ooh-ooh

Freedom came my way one day  
And I started out of town, yeah  
All of a sudden I saw Sheriff John Brown  
Aiming to shoot me down  
So I shot, I shot, I shot him down and I say  
If I am guilty I will pay (pay, pay, pay, pay, pay)

I shot the sheriff  
But I say, but I didn't shoot no deputy

I didn't shoot no deputy, oh no, ooh, ooh, ooh  
I shot the sheriff, I did  
But I didn't shoot no deputy, oh  
Ooh, ooh, ooh

Reflexes had the better of me  
And what is to be must be  
Every day the bucket a-go a well  
One day the bottom a-go drop out  
One day the bottom a-go drop out

I say  
I-I-I, I shot the sheriff  
Lord, I didn't shot the deputy, no  
Yeah, I-I shot the sheriff  
But I didn't shoot no deputy, yeah, so, yeah