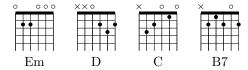
THE CAT CAME BACK

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Rhythm: $IV \downarrow IV \downarrow | V \downarrow V \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow$

Em D C B7 Now, Old Mister Johnson had troubles of his own He had a yellow cat who wouldn't leave his home; He tried and he tried to give the cat away, He gave it to a man goin' far, far away.

[Chorus] The cat came back the very next day,

The cat came back, they thought he was a goner
But the cat came back; he just couldn't stay away.

Now, the man around the corner swore he'd kill the cat on sight, So he loaded up his shotgun with nails and dynamite; He waited and he waited for the cat to come around, Ninety seven pieces of the man is all that they found.

But you know...? [Chorus]

So he gave it to a man going up in a balloon, He told him for to take it to the man in the moon; The balloon came down about ninety miles away, Where the man is now, well I dare not say.

But you know...? [Chorus]

So he gave it to a man going way out West, Told him for to take it to the one he loved the best; First the train hit the track, then it jumped the rail, Not a soul was left behind to tell the gruesome tale.

But you know what? [Chorus]

Now, the cat was a possessor of a family of his own, With seven little kittens till there came a cyclone; It tore the houses all apart and tossed the cat around, The air was filled with kittens, but not one was ever found.

[Chorus x2]