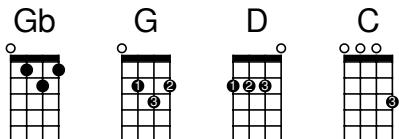


# The Fox

Performed by Nickel Creek (2000)



Source: [www.ukulele-tabs.com](http://www.ukulele-tabs.com)

The earliest version of the song was a Middle English poem, dating from the 15th century.

Other covers include versions by: Harry Belafonte (1954), Pete Seeger (1955),  
The Smothers Brothers (1963), Peter, Paul, and Mary (1993)

Subject of Children's Picture Books "The Fox Went out on a Chilly Night: An Old Song" illustrated by Peter Spier, and "Fox Went out on a Chilly Night" by Wendy Watson

Intro:

[Gb]/ slide [G] x4

The [G] fox went out on a chilly night  
He [D] prayed for the moon to give him light  
For he'd [G] many a mile to [C] go that night  
[G] Before he [D] reached the [G] town-o, [D] town-o, [G] town-o  
He'd [C] many a mile to [G] go that night,  
[D] before he reached the [G] town-o [G]

He [G] ran 'til he came to the farmer's pen  
The [D] ducks and the geese were kept therein  
He said, a [G] couple of you are gonna [C] grease my chin,  
[G] Before I [D] leave this [G] town-o, [D] town-o, [G] town-o  
Said a [C] couple of you are gonna [G] grease my chin,

[D] before I leave this [G] town-o [G]

Instrumental:

[G] town-o, [D] town-o, [G] town-o

Said a [C] couple of you are gonna [G] grease my chin,  
[D] before I leave this [G] town-o [G]

He [G] grabbed the great goose by the neck

And he [D] threw a duck across his back

And [G] he didn't mind the [C] quack, quack

And the [G] legs all [D] dangling [G] down-o, [D] down-o, [G] down-o

[C] He didn't mind the [G] quack,

quack and the [D] legs all dangling [G] down-o [G]

The [G] old grey woman jumped out of bed

[D] Out of the window she popped her head,

Crying [G] John, John, the great [C] goose is gone

And the [G] fox is [D] on the [G] town-o, [D] town-o, [G] town-o

[C] John, John, the great [G] goose is gone and

the [D] fox is on the [G] town-o [G]

Instrumental:

[G] town-o, [D] town-o, [G] town-o

[C] John, John, the great [G] goose is gone and

the [D] fox is on the [G] town-o [G]

He [G] ran 'til he came to his nice warm den

And [D] there were the little ones, eight, nine, ten

Sayin [G] Daddy, Daddy, better [C] go back again

For it [G] must be a [D] mighty fine [G] town-o, [D] town-o, [G] town-o

[C] Daddy, Daddy, [G] go back again for it

[D] must be mighty fine [G] town-o [G]

The [G] fox and his wife, without any strife

[D] Cut up the goose with a fork and a knife

[G] They never had such a [C] supper in their life

And the [G] little ones [D] chewed on the [G] bones-o, [D] bones-o, [G] bones-o

[C] They never had such a [G] supper in their life,

and the [D] little ones chewed on the [G]/ bones

Instrumental:

[G] bones-o, [D] bones-o, [G] bones-o

[C] They never had such a [G] supper in their life,  
and the [D] little ones chewed on the [G]/ bones