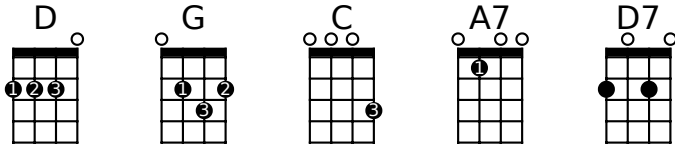


# Snake

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Intro (Kazoo): **[D] [G] [D] [G] [C] [G] [D]**

Verse 1:

**[D]** On a **[G]** walk in the **[D]** park last **[G]** week, I **[D]** jumped to cross a **[A7]** narrow creek  
And **[D]** underneath my **[A7]** airborne stride, a **[G]** slithering, glistening **[A7]** snake did glide,  
**[G]** Plunging in the **[A7]** shining water **[D]** fall. Vocal hold: **[G] [D] [G] [C] [G] [D]**

**[D]** Under the **[G]** rocks, he **[D]** went to **[G]** hide, not **[D]** peeking out the **[A7]** other side.  
**[D]** Finding there a **[A7]** crevasse, cave; in **[G]** darkness there, coiled **[A7]** up to save  
Him **[G]** self from crushing, **[A7]** booted human **[D]** feet. Vocal hold: **[G] [D] [G] [C] [G] [C]**

His **[C]** reputation: **[G]** Hated, feared. **[C]** Scary tales when **[G]** we were reared  
**[C]** Prejudiced us **[A7]** when they warned of **[D]** toxic fangs with **[D7]** legless form,  
The **[C]** reptile always **[G]** pictured **[A7]** as a **[D]** villain.

Kazoo: **[G] [D] [G] [C] [G] [D]**

Verse 2:

**[D]** It was a **[G]** snake that **[D]** tempted **[G]** Eve; **[D]** caused that she and **[A7]** Adam leave  
Their **[D]** home, fair Eden, **[A7]** fruitful garden. **[G]** Merciless, no **[A7]** Father's pardon  
**[G]** Saved them from the **[A7]** banishment for **[D]** ever. Vocal hold: **[G] [D] [G] [C] [G] [D]**

**[D]** Maybe **[G]** he is **[D]** poison **[G]** ous. One **[D]** bite could turn my **[A7]** flesh to pus.  
I **[D]** could get sick or **[A7]** even die. No **[G]** antidote, and **[A7]** it's goodbye.  
I **[G]** will not stick my **[A7]** hand into the **[D]** water. Vocal hold: **[G] [D] [G] [C] [G] [C]**

More **[C]** likely, he's a **[G]** harmless snake. He **[C]** will not bite, my **[G]** soul to take.  
He's **[C]** lurking, ready **[A7]** in the creek, to **[D]** strike for food; the **[D7]** bugs he seeks,  
The **[C]** skimmers and the **[G]** mating **[A7]** dragon **[D]** flies.

Kazoo: **[G] [D] [G] [C] [G] [D]**

Verse 3, 1st 3 lines only:

**[D]** In the **[G]** sun's bright **[D]** golden **[G]** beam, his **[D]** scales reflect a **[A7]** softer gleam.  
I **[D]** thank him for the **[A7]** part he plays in the **[G]** dance of life on **[A7]** this fine day,  
A **[G]** kindred spirit, **[A7]** creature of the **[D]** Earth.

Kazoo: **[G] [D] [G] [C] [G] [D]**