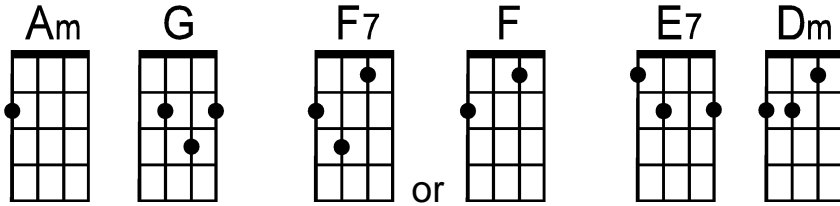


One Meatball

by George Martin Lane (1855)



Intro: Am . G . | F7 . E7 . | Am . G . | F7 . E7 . |

Am . . . | E7 . . . | . . . | Am . . . |
A little man walked up and— down. He found an eating— place in town—

Am . . . | Dm . . . | E7 . . . | . . . Am\ --- |
He read the me-nu through and through to see what fif-teen cents could do

Chorus: Am . . . | F7 . E7 . | Am . . . | F7 . E7 . |
One meat-ball— one meat-ball—

Am . . . | E7 . . . | Am . . . | F7 . E7 . |
He could af-ford but one—— meat-ball——

Am . . . | E7 . . . | . . . | Am . . . |
He told the waiter— near at hand— the simple dinner— he had planned

Am . . . | Dm . . . | E7\ --- --- --- | --- --- --- --- |
The guests were startled— one and all to hear that waiter— loud—ly call—

Chorus: Am . . . | F7 . E7 . | Am . . . | F7 . E7 . |
One meat-ball— one meat-ball—

Am . . . | E7 . . . | Am . . . | F7 . E7 . |
He could af-ford but one—— meat-ball——

Instr: Am . . . | E7 . . . | . . . | Am . . . |

Am . . . | Dm . . . | E7 . . . | . . . Am . . . |

Am . . . | E7 . . . | . . . | Am . . . |
The little man felt ill at ease— he said “Some bread, Sir, if you— please?”

Am . . . | Dm . . . | E7 . . . | . . . Am\ --- |
The waiter hol-lered down the hall— “You gets no bread with one meat-ball

Chorus: Am . . . | F7 . E7 . | Am . . . | F7 . E7 . |
One meat-ball— one meat-ball—

Am . . . | E7 . . . | Am . . . | F7 . E7 . |
He could af-ford but one—— meat-ball——

Am . . . | E7 . . . | . . . | Am . . . |
The little man felt very— bad— One meat-ball was all he had

Am . . . | Dm . . . | E7 . . . | . . . Am . |
And in his dreams he hears that call—“You gets no bread with one meat-ball!!

Chorus: Am . . . | F7 . E7 . | Am . . . | F7 . E7 . |
One meat-ball— one meat-ball—

Am . . . | E7 . . . | Am . . . | F7 . E7 . | Am\
He could af-ford but one—— meat-ball——

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