

A Cockeyed Optimist

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Keyboard

The musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is for the keyboard (piano) and the bottom staff is for the voice. The score includes lyrics and chords indicated by Roman numerals.

Piano Accompaniment (Top Staff):

- Measures 1-4: E♭6
- Measure 5: E♭
- Measures 6-12: A♭7/E♭

Vocal Part (Bottom Staff):

- Measures 1-4: E♭6
- Measure 5: E♭
- Measures 6-12: A♭7/E♭
- Measures 13-17: E♭6
- Measures 18-21: E♭6
- Measures 22-25: E♭6

Lyrics:

When the
sky is a bright ca - na - ry
heard peo - ple rant and rave and
yel - low, _____ I for -
that we're

get done ev - 'ry cloud I've as ev well - er seen.
and we might as be dead. So But they I'm

call on - me a cock - eyed op - ti - mist, _____ im - ma -
ly a cock - eyed op - ti - mist, _____ and and I

ture can't and in - cur - a - bly green! _____ I have

can't get it in - in - to my head. _____ I

Chord Boxes:

- Measures 1-4: E♭6
- Measures 5-12: A♭7/E♭
- Measures 13-17: E♭6
- Measures 18-21: E♭6
- Measures 22-25: E♭6

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27 Gm A m7 D 7
 hear the hu - man race is fall - ing on its face and

31 Gm A m7 D 7
 has - n't ver - y far to go. But

35 Gm A m7 D 7
 ev - 'ry whip - poor - will is sell - ing me a bill, and

39 Gm D m To Coda Θ B \flat 7
 tell - ing me it just ain't so. I could

43 E \flat E \flat aug Cm/E \flat
 say life is just a bowl of jel - lo and ap -

47 B \flat m7 E \flat 7 B \flat m7 E \flat 7
 pear more in - tell - i - gent and smart. But I'm

51 A \flat A \flat 7 E \flat E \flat 7
 stuck like a dope with a thing called hope, and I

55 B \flat /D B \flat aug/D Gm E \flat maj7
 can't get it out of my heart! (Sax) D.S. al Coda

59 A \flat B \flat 7 E \flat
 Not this heart.

Coda

63 B♭ C7 F F aug D m/F

so. I could say life is just a bowl of jel-lo _____ and ap-

69 Cm7 F7 Cm7 F7

pear more in - tell - i - gent and smart._____ But I'm

73 B♭ B♭°7 F F°7

stuck like a dope with a thing called hope, and I

77 C/E C Aug/E A m F maj7

can't get it out of my heart!_____ No,

81 B♭ C7

Not _____ this _____

85 F G m7

heart, _____ not this

89 F (Sax) D m7 C7 F

heart! _____