

Sultans of swing

[intro] | Am | Am-G | 4x

[Verse 1] Am

You get a shiver in the dark
G F E
it's raining in the park but meantime
Am G F E
south of the river you stop and you hold everything
C G
a band is blowing Dixie double four time
F Am F-G
you feel alright when you hear that music ring

[Verse 2] Am

G F E
Now you step inside but you don't see too many faces
Am G F E
coming in out of the rain to hear the jazz go down
C G
competition in other places
F Am
Uh but the horns they blowin' that sound
F-G F-G Am
way on downsouth way on downsouth London town

[instrumental] Am-G-F-G Am-G-F-G

[Verse 3] Am

G F E
you check out Guitar George he knows all the chords
Am G F E
mind he's strictly rhythm he doesn't want to make it cry or sing
C G
and an old guitar is all he can afford
F Am F-G
when he gets up under the lights to play his thing

[Verse 4]

Am G F E
and harry doesn't mind if he doesn't make the scene
Am G F E
He's got a daytime job he's doing alright
C G
he can play the honky tonk like anything
F Am F-G
saving it up for friday night
F-G Am
with the sultans with the sultans of swing

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[instrumental]

Am-G-F-G

Am-G-F-G

[Verse 5]

Am G F E
and a crowd of young boys they're fooling around in the corner
Am G F E
drunk and dressed in their best brown baggies and their platform soles
C G
they don't give a damn about any trumpet playing band
F Am F-G
it ain't what they call rock and roll
F-G Am
and the sultans yeah the sultans played creole

[instrumental]

Am-G-F-G (Creole) Am-G-F-G

[Lead 1]

Am	G	F	E	E	
Am	G	F	E	E	
C	C		G	G	
F	F		Am	Am	F
G	G	F	G	G	

[instrumental]

Am-G-F-G ; Am-G-F-G

[Verse 6]

Am G F E
and then the man he steps right up to the microphone
Am G F E
and says at last just as the time bell rings
C G
goodnight now it's time to go home
F Am F-G
and he makes it fast with one more thing
F-G
we are the sultans
Am
we are the sultans of swing

[instrumental]

Am-G-F-G ; Am-G-F-G

[outro solo]

Am-G-F-G (repeat and fade approx. x7)