

# Folsom Prison Blues

Eb for Standard Key

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Medium Fast [Johnny Cash 1955] ( $\text{♩} = 200$ )

**Intro**

I

**Verse**

5      **D♭**      **D♭**      **D♭**      **D♭**  

hear the train a - comin', it's roll - ing 'round the bend\_ and

9      **D♭**      **D♭**      **D♭**      **D♭**  

I ain't seen the sun - shine since I don't know when. I'm

13     **G♭**      **G♭**      **G♭**      **G♭**  

stuck in Fol - som pri - son, and time keeps drag - gin' on..

17     **D♭**      **D♭**      **D♭**      **D♭**  

— But that

21     **A♭7**      **A♭7**      **A♭7**      **A♭7**      **D♭**      **D♭**  

train keeps a-roll - in' on down to San\_ An - tone. When

**Outro**

27     **D♭**      **A♭7**      **A♭7**      **D♭**      **D♭**  

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### **Intro**

- Verse 1** I hear the train a-comin', it's rolling 'round the bend,  
and I ain't seen the sunshine since I don't know when.  
I'm stuck in Folsom prison, and time keeps draggin' on.  
But that train keeps a-rollin' on down to San Antone.
- Verse 2** When I was just a baby, my mama told me, "Son,  
always be a good boy, don't ever play with guns."  
But I shot a man in Reno just to watch him die.  
When I hear that whistle blowin', I hang my head and cry.
- Verse 3** I bet there's rich folks eatin' in a fancy dining car.  
They're prob'ly drinkin' coffee and smoking big cigars.  
Well, I know I had it comin', I know I can't be free.  
But those people keep a-movin' and that's what tortures me.
- Verse 4** Well, if they freed me from this prison, if that railroad train was mine,  
I bet I'd move it on a little farther down the line,  
far from Folsom prison, that's where I want to stay.  
And I'd let that lonesome whistle blow my blues away.

### **Outro**