

I Shot the Sheriff

Bass for Standard Key

Bob Marley

Medium Slow [Eric Clapton 1974] ($\text{♩} = 95$)

A bass line in standard notation for the first part of the song. The key signature is one flat (F#). The bass notes are labeled with chords: GMI, CMI⁷, GMI, and GMI. The lyrics "I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the dep u - ty." are written below the notes.

I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the dep u - ty._

A bass line in standard notation for the second part of the song. The key signature changes to no sharps or flats. The bass notes are labeled with chords: GMI, CMI⁷, GMI, and GMI. The lyrics "I shot the sher iff, but I did not shoot the dep u - ty." are written below the notes.

I shot the sher iff, but I did not shoot the dep u - ty._

A bass line in standard notation for the third part of the song. The key signature changes to one flat (F#). The bass notes are labeled with chords: E^bMA⁷, DMI⁷, GMI, E^bMA⁷, DMI⁷, and GMI. The lyrics "All around in my home town they're trying to track me down. They" are written below the notes.

All around in my home town they're trying to track me down. They

A bass line in standard notation for the fourth part of the song. The key signature changes to one flat (F#). The bass notes are labeled with chords: E^bMA⁷, DMI⁷, GMI, E^bMA⁷, DMI⁷, and GMI. The lyrics "say they want to bring me in guilty for the killing of a dep u - ty. For the" are written below the notes.

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A bass line in standard notation for the fifth part of the song. The key signature changes to one flat (F#). The bass notes are labeled with chords: E^bMA⁷, DMI⁷, and GMI. The lyrics "life of a dep - u - ty. But I say:" are written below the notes.

life of a dep - u - ty. But I say:

A bass line in standard notation for the sixth part of the song. The key signature changes to one flat (F#). The bass notes are labeled with N.C. (No Chord). The lyrics "N.C., N.C., N.C." are written above the notes.

Outro

A bass line in standard notation for the Outro of the song. The key signature changes to one flat (F#). The bass notes are labeled with chords: GMI, CMI⁷, GMI, and GMI.

I Shot the Sheriff

I shot the sheriff, but I swear it was in self-defense.
I shot the sheriff, and they say it is a capital offense.

2. Sheriff John Brown always hated me, for what I don't know.
Every time that I plant a seed he said, "Kill it before it grows."
He said, "Kill it before it grows." But I say,

I shot the sheriff but I swear it was in self-defense.
I shot the sheriff but I swear it was in self-defense.

3. Freedom came my way one day and I started out of town.
All of a sudden, I see sheriff John Brown, aiming to shoot me down.
So I shot, I shot him down. But I say

I shot the sheriff but I did not shoot the deputy.
I shot the sheriff but I did not shoot the deputy.

4. Reflexes got the better of me and what is to be, must be.
Every day the bucket goes to well but one day the bottom will drop out.
Yes, one day the bottom will drop out. But I say

I shot the sheriff but I did not shoot the deputy.
I shot the sheriff but I did not shoot the deputy.