

Folsom Prison Blues

Key of E

Johnny Cash

E B7 E

E
I hear the train a-comin'; it's rollin' 'round the bend
And I ain't seen the sunshine since I don't know when **E7**
A I'm stuck in Folsom Prison and time keeps draggin' on **E**
B7 But that train keeps a-rollin' on down to San Antone **E**

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When I was just a baby, my mama told me, "Son
Always be a good boy; don't ever play with guns" **E7**
A But I shot a man in Reno, just to watch him die **E**
B7 When I hear that whistle blowin', I hang my head and cry **E**

E
I bet there's rich folk eatin' in a fancy dinin' car
They're prob'ly drinkin' coffee and smokin' big cigars **E7**
A But I know I had it comin', I know I can't be free **E**
B7 But those people keep a-movin', and that's what tortures me **E**

E
Well if they freed me from this prison, if that railroad train
was mine

E7
I bet I'd move it all a little farther down the line
A Far from Folsom Prison, that's where I'd want to stay **E**
B7 And I'd let that lonesome whistle blow my blues away **E**

