

Folsom Prison Blues  
Johnny Cash

[Intro & Outro]

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

**E**  
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**

[Guitar solo/interlude]

**E**  
I bet there's rich folks eatin' in a fancy dining car **E7**  
They're probably drinking coffee and smoking big cigars **E**  
**A** But I know I had it coming, I know I can't be free **E**  
**B7** But those people keep a moving, and that's what tortures me **E**

[Guitar solo/interlude]

**E**

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

**E7**

I bet I'd move it on a little farther down the line

**A**

**E**

Far from Folsom Prison, that's where I want to stay

**B7**

**E**

And I'd let that lonesome whistle blow my blues away