

Poison Ivy (#1 on R&B and #7 on Rock Charts in 1959)

The Coasters

[Verse 1]

Ab Gb Ab Ab Gb Ab
She comes on like a rose.....but everybody knows,
G Ab
she'll get you in Dutch.
Gb Ab
Why, you can look but you better not touch..

CHORUS:#1.

Fm Cm
Poison Iv-y-y-y-y, poison Iv-y-y-y-y.
Fm F6 Bbm Eb9
Late at night while you're sleepin', poison Ivy comes a'creepin',
Fm Eb
Arou-ou-ou-ou-ou-ound.

[Verse 2]

Ab Gb Ab Ab Gb Ab
She's pretty as a daisy.....but look out man she's crazy.
G Ab Gb Ab
She'll really do you in.
Ab
If you let her under your skin.

[Chorus 1]

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Fm F6 Bbm Eb9
Late at night while you're sleepin', poison Ivy comes a'creepin',
Fm Eb
Arou-ou-ou-ou-ou-ound.

[Chorus 2]

Db
Measles make you bumpy..and Mumps'll make you lumpy,
Ab
And Chicken Pox'll make you jump and twitch.
Db
A common cold'll fool ya, and Whooping Cough can cool ya.

Eb
But Poison Ivy, Lord'll make you itch!

[Verse 3]

Ab **Gb Ab** **Ab** **Gb Ab**
You're gonna need an ocean.....of Calamine lotion.
Ab **Gb Ab**
You'll be scratchin' like a hound,
Ab
The minute you start to mess around...

[Chorus 1]

Fm **Cm**
Poison Iv-y-y-y-y, poison Iv-y-y-y-y.
Fm **F6** **Bbm** **Eb9**
Late at night while you're sleepin', poison Ivy comes a'creepin',
Fm **Eb**
Arou-ou-ou-ou-ound..

[Chorus 2]

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Ab
And Chicken Pox'll make you jump and twitch.
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[Verse 4]

Ab **Gb Ab** **Ab** **Gb Ab**
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[Chorus 1]

Fm **Cm**
Poison Iv-y-y-y-y, poison Iv-y-y-y-y.
Fm **F6** **Bbm** **Eb9**
Late at night while you're sleepin', poison Ivy comes a'creepin',

Fm

Eb

Arou-ou-ou-ou-ou-ound.. (Fade.)