

Blues in the Night
Words by Johnny Mercer
Music by Harold Arlen

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Lyrics have a male and female version. I have placed the female lyrics below the male line.

1.

Bb(Stop) (2,3) Cm7/F
My mama done tol' me When
Bb(Stop) (2,3) Cm7/F
I was in knee pants My
 pig - tails
Bb / // **Bb7 / E7 /**
mama done tol' me, "Son!
 "Hon!"
Bb7 / // **Ebm6** / //
A woman 'll sweet-talk and give you the big eyes
 man's gonna
Bb C7+5 F7 B9 Bb ///
But when the sweet-talking's done
F7 Cm7 G#dim F7 C7#5b9* /
A woman's a two-face, a worrisome thing who'll
 man is a
F7#5#9* / Bb / / / Bb Db C B
leave you to sing the blues in the night"

2.

Bb Bbma7 Bb7 /
Now the rain's a-fallin'
Eb7 / / / Bb / / /
Hear the train a-callin, "whoo-ee!"
Bb / / E7b5
My mama done tol' me
Eb7 / / / Cm7b5 / F7 / Bb / / /
Hear that lonesome whistle blow- in' 'cross the trestle, "whoo-ee!"
Bb / / /
My mama done tol' me
F7 Cm7 G#dim F7 C7#5b9 /
A-whooee-ah-whooee ol' clickety-clack's
F7#5#9 / Bb /// Bb / / /
A-echoin' back th' blues in the night The evenin'

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Bridge

Eb9 / / Gb13 Cm7b5 / F7#5b9 /
(The evening) breeze'll start the trees to cry-in' And the
Db9 / / / C7#5b9 / C7b9 /
moon -'ll hide it's light
G7#5b9 / G7b5b9 / Gm7b5 / C7 / F7 / Ebm / Abm6 / F7 /
When you get the blues in the night
Eb9 / / Gb13 Cm7b5 / F7#5b9* / Db9 / / / C7#5b9 / C7b9 /
Take my word, the mock- ing- bird'll sing the saddest kind o' song
G7#5b9* / G7b5b9* / Gm7b5 / C7 / F13 / Ebm /
He knows things are wrong, and he's right
Am6 / F7 / Bb7 / / / C7#5b9 / F7#5b9 /

Jam - variation of v.2 chords

Bb /// Eb7 /// Bb /// Bb // E7b5

Eb7 /// Cm7b5 / F7 / Bb /// Bb ///

F7 /// C7#5b9 / F9 / Bb /// Bb ///

[BB double tap] for ending

ENDING - REPEAT BRIDGE ABOVE, THEN V.3 BELOW

3.

Bb(Stop) (2,3) Cm7/F
From Natchez to mobile,
Bb(Stop) (2,3) Cm7/F
From Memphis to St. Joe
Bb / // Bb7 / E7 /
Wherever the four winds blow
Bb7 / / / Ebm6 / / /
I been in some big towns An' heard me some big talk
Bb C7+5 F7 B9 Bb ///
But there is one thing I know
F7 Cm7 G#dim F7 C7#5b9* /
A woman's a two-face, a worrisome thing
man is a
F7#5#9* / Bb / / / Bb /// Bb7 /// C7#5b9 / F7#5b9 /
Who'll leave you to sing the blues in the night
C7#5b9 C7 Cm7/F / Bb /// Bb(hold)
My Mama was right there's Blues in the Night

CHORD DIAGRAMS

* no root

C7#5b9	F7#5#9	F7#5b9	G7#5b9	G7b5b9
9 x 8 9 9 x	9 x 7 8 9 x	5 x 4 6 4 x	4 x 3 4 4 x	4 x 2 3 2 x