The Boxer

Intro: **G** (x2)

I am just a poor boy though my story's seldom told I have squandered my resistance for a pocket full of mumbles, such are promises All lies and jest, still a man hears what he wants to hear and disregards the rest Mmm mmm mmmmmm mmm mmm mmmmmm

Em When I left my home and my family, I was no more than a boy In the company of strangers, in the quiet of a railway station, running scared Laying low, seeking out the poorer quarters where the ragged people go Looking for the places only they would know Lie la lie, lie la la la la la lie, lie la lie, lie la la la la la lie, la la la la lie

Asking only workman's wages I come looking for a job But I get no offers, just a come-on from the whores on Seventh Avenue I do de-clare, there were times when I was so lonesome I took some comfort there Mmm mmm mmmmmm mmm mmm mmmmmm Lie la lie, lie la la la la la lie, lie la lie, lie la la la la la lie, la la

Em Then I'm laying out my winter clothes and wishing I was gone Bm Going home where the New York City winters are not bleeding me Leading meeee - eeeeeeeeee going home mmm mmm mmmmmm

In the clearing stands a boxer and a fighter by his trade and he carries a reminder Of every glove that laid him down or cut him till he cried out In his anger and his shame "I am leaving, I am leaving" but the fighter still re-mains Mmm mmm mmm mmm mmm mmm

Outro: (repeat x3 but end on G and sustain)

Em (G sustain) Lie la la la la lie, lie la lie, lie la la la la la lie, la la la lie













