

# I SHOT THE SHERIF      ERIC CLAPTON

<b>Gm</b> I shot the sheriff,	<b>Cm7</b> but I did not shoot the	<b>Gm</b> deputy, hoo hoo
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<b>Eb Maj 9</b> All around in my home	<b>Gm</b> town	
<b>Eb Maj 9</b> They're trying to	<b>Dm7</b> track me down	
<b>Eb Maj 9</b> They say they want to	<b>Dm7</b> bring me in guil	<b>Gm</b> ty
<b>Eb Maj 9</b> For the killing of a	<b>Dm7</b> deputy	
<b>Eb Maj 9</b> For the life of a depu	<b>Gm</b> ty, but I say	

*Pont orgue*

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<b>Eb Maj 9</b> Sheriff John Brown	<b>Dm7</b> always hated me
<b>Eb Maj 9</b> For what	<b>Dm7</b> I don't know
<b>Eb Maj 9</b> Every time	<b>Dm7</b> that I plant a seed

<b>Eb Maj 9</b> He said, "Kill it be	<b>Dm7</b> fore it	<b>Gm</b> grows"
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<b>Eb Maj 9</b> He said, "Kill it	<b>Dm7</b> before it	<b>Gm</b> grows", I say
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<b>Gm</b> I shot the sheriff,	<b>Cm7</b> but I swear it was in	<b>Gm</b> self-defense
<b>Cm7</b> I shot the sheriff,	<b>Gm</b> and they say it is a	<b>Gm</b> capital offense

<b>Eb Maj 9</b> Freedom	<b>Dm7</b> came my way	<b>Gm</b> one day
<b>Eb Maj 9</b> And I start	<b>Dm7</b> ed out of	<b>Gm</b> town
<b>Eb Maj 9</b> All of a sudden I see	<b>Dm7</b> sheriff John Brown	<b>Gm</b>

<b>Eb Maj 9</b>	<b>Dm7</b>	<b>Gm</b>
Aiming to	shoot me	down
<b>Eb Maj 9</b>	<b>Dm7</b>	<b>Gm</b>
So I	shot,	I shot him down, I say

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<b>Gm</b>	<b>Cm7</b>	<b>Gm</b>
I shot the sheriff,	but I did not shoot the	deputy
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<b>Eb Maj 9</b>	<b>Dm7</b>	<b>Gm</b>
Re	flexes got the better	of me
<b>Eb Maj 9</b>	<b>Dm7</b>	<b>Gm</b>
And what	is to be	must be
<b>Eb Maj 9</b>	<b>Dm7</b>	<b>Gm</b>
Every day	the bucket goes	to the well
<b>Eb Maj 9</b>	<b>Dm7</b>	<b>Gm</b>
But one day the	bottom will	drop out
<b>Eb Maj 9</b>	<b>Dm7</b>	<b>Gm</b>
Yes, one day	the bottom will	drop out, but I say

*Pont Orgue*

<b>Gm</b>	<b>Cm7</b>	<b>Gm</b>
I shot the sheriff,	but I did not shoot the	deputy, oh no
<b>Gm</b>	<b>Cm7</b>	<b>Gm</b>
I shot the sheriff,	but I did not shoot the	deputy, oh no

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