

Do Re Mi

Woody Guthrie

This musical score is for the song "Do Re Mi" by Woody Guthrie. It is written in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and 2/2 time. The score consists of ten staves of music, with measure numbers 6, 11, 16, 22, 28, 34, 39, 46, and 52 marked at the beginning of their respective staves. Chord symbols are placed above the staff lines: G, C, D7, G, D7, Chorus, G, D7, G, C, G, D7, and G. The word "Chorus" is written above the staff at measure 22. The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests. The final measure of the score is a double bar line.

G C D7

6 G

11 C D7 G

16 D7

22 D7 Chorus G

28 D7

34

39 G

46 C

52 G D7 G

1. Lots of folks back East, they say,
Is leavin' home every day,
Beatin' the hot old dusty way
To the California line.
'Cross the desert sands they roll,
Gettin' out of that old dust bowl,
They think they're goin' to a sugar bowl,
But here's what they find
Now, the police at the port of entry say,
"You're number fourteen thousand for today."
2. You want to buy you a home or a farm,
That can't deal nobody harm,
Or take your vacation by
The mountains or sea.
Don't swap your old cow for a car,
You better stay right where you are,
Better take this little tip from me.
'Cause I look through the want ads every day
But the headlines on the papers always say:

Chorus

Oh, if you ain't got the do re mi, folks,
You ain't got the do re mi,
Why, you better go back to
beautiful Texas,
Oklahoma, Kansas, Georgia,
Tennessee.
California is a garden of Eden,
A paradise to live in or see;
But believe it or not,
You won't find it so hot
If you ain't got the do re mi.

Chorus

"Do Re Mi" is a folksong by American songwriter Woody Guthrie. The song deals with the experiences and reception of Dust Bowl migrants when they arrived in California. The song was recorded by Woody Guthrie on the compilation **Bound for Glory** and was later released on the album **Dust Bowl Ballads**. It was also recorded by Cisco Houston, Tom Rush, Arlo Guthrie, Pete Seeger and others.

Other songs and tunes by Woody Guthrie in this collection:

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