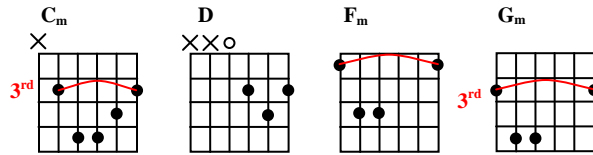


# **FIRST WE TAKE MANHATTAN**

Author: Leonard Cohen



**Intro** Cm Gm Cm Gm

## **Verse 1**

Cm	Gm	Cm	Gm		
They sentenced me to twenty years of boredom	For trying to change the system from within				
Cm	Gm	Fm	Cm	D	Gm
I'm coming now, I'm coming to reward them	First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin				
Cm	Gm	Cm	Gm		
I'm guided by a signal in the heavens	I'm guided by the birthmark on my skin				
Cm	Gm	Fm	Cm	D	Gm
I'm guided by the beauty of our weapons	First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin				

## **Chorus**

Cm	Gm	Cm	Gm		
I'd really like to live beside you baby	I love your body and your spirit and your clothes				
Cm	Gm	Fm	Cm	D	Gm
But you see that line that's moving through the station	I told you, I told you, I told you I was one of those				

## **Verse 2**

Cm	Gm				
You loved me as a loser but now your worried that I just might win					
Cm	Gm				
You know the way to stop me but you don't have the discipline					
Cm	Gm	Fm	Cm	D	Gm
How many nights I prayed for this to let my work begin	First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin				
Cm	Gm	Cm	Gm		
I don't like your fashion business, mister	I don't like the drugs that keep you thin				
Cm	Gm	Fm	Cm	D	Gm
I don't like what happened to your sister	First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin				

## **Chorus**

Cm	Gm	Cm	Gm		
I'd really like to live beside you baby	I love your body and your spirit and your clothes				
Cm	Gm	Fm	Cm	D	Gm
But you see that line that's moving through the station	I told you, I told you, I told you I was one of those				

## **Verse 3**

Cm	Gm	Cm	Gm		
And I thank you for those items that you sent me	The monkey and the plywood violin				
Cm	Gm	Fm	Cm	D	Gm
I practiced every night and now I'm ready	First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin				
Cm	Gm	Cm	Gm		
Remember me, I used to live for music	Remember me, I brought your groceries in				
Cm	Gm	Fm	Cm	D	Gm
It's Father's Day and everybody's wounded	First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin				

## **Chorus**

Cm	Gm	Cm	Gm		
I'd really like to live beside you baby	I love your body and your spirit and your clothes				
Cm	Gm	Fm	Cm	D	Gm
But you see that line that's moving through the station	I told you, I told you, I told you I was one of those				

**Outro** Cm Gm Cm Gm