

# I STARTED A JOKE

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Moderately slow, in 2

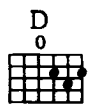
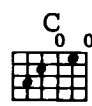
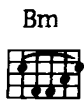
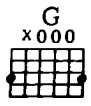
Tacet

The first system of the musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef, which is marked 'Tacet' and contains four measures of whole rests. The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in grand staff (treble and bass clefs), featuring a steady bass line and chords in the right hand.

The second system includes guitar chord diagrams for G (x000), Bm, C (000), and D (0). The vocal line contains the lyrics "I start - ed a joke which start - ed the whole world" with triplet markings over the words "start - ed" and "start - ed". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a bass line.

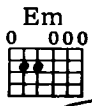
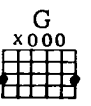
The third system includes guitar chord diagrams for G (x000), Bm, C (000), and D (0). The vocal line contains the lyrics "cry - ing, but I did - n't". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a bass line.





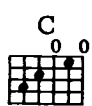
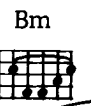
To Coda

seen that the joke was on

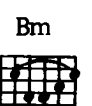
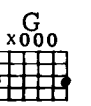


me. I looked at the

*cresc.* *f*



skies, run - ning my hands o - ver my



eyes; and I fell out of

Em  
0 000

Em/D  
0 000

Am  
0 0 0

D  
0

1.

bed, hurt - ing my head from things that I said. Till

2. D. S.  $\frac{3}{4}$  (lyric 2) al Coda

Coda

G  
x000

Bm

C  
0 0 0

Till me, oh, \_\_\_\_\_ no, \_\_\_\_\_ that the

*mf*

*gradual cresc.*

D  
0

G  
x000

Bm

C  
0 0 0

D  
0

joke was on me, \_\_\_\_\_

G  
x000

Bm

C  
0 0 0

D  
0

G  
x000

oh. \_\_\_\_\_

*f*