Cruel to Be Kind
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Intro: (four beats each)
[C] [Em] [F] [G]
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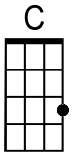
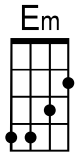
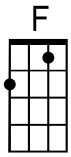


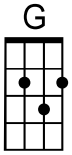
Oh, **[C]**I can't take another **[Em]** heartache
Though you **[F]**say oh my friend, **[G]** I'm at my wit's end
[C]You say your love is **[Em]** bonafide,
But that don't **[F]**coin**[Am]** cide **[Dm]**
With the things that you **[F]**do and when I **[Em]**ask you to be **[F]**nice
You **[G]**say you've got to be...



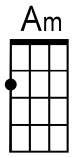
[F]Cruel to be **[G]**kind **[Em]**in the right **[Am]**measure
[F]Cruel to be **[G]**kind it's a **[Em]**very good **[Am]**sign
[F]Cruel to be **[G]**kind **[Em]**means that I **[Am]**love you
[F]Baby, got to be cruel, got to be cruel to be kind



Repeat Intro

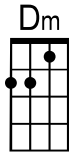


Well **[C]**I do my best to under**[Em]**stand dear
But you **[F]**still mystify and **[G]**I want to know why
[C]I pick myself up**[Em]**off the ground
To have you **[F]**knock me **[Am]**back down **[Dm]**
Again and **[F]**again and when I **[Em]**ask you to ex**[F]**plain
You **[G]**say, you've got to be...



Chorus

[C]Ooh ooh ooh, **[A]**ooh.. ooh... ooh...



Solo over chorus

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A|--0-----0--0--2--2--------|--2--0--2-----3-----3-----|
E|--1-----1--1--3--3--------|--3--3--3-----5-----5-----|
C|--0-----0--0--2--2--------|--4--4--4-----4-----4-----|   (x3)
G|--2-----2--2--0--0--------|--0--0--0-----------------|
    |     |     |     |        |     |     |     |
A|-------------/8-----------|--7-----------5-----------|
E|--------------------------|-----8-----------7--------|
C|--------------------------|--------7-----------7-----|
G|--------------------------|--------------------------|
    |     |     |     |
A|--3-----2-----0---------2-|
E|----5----3------1-----1---|
C|------5----4------2-------|
G|--------------------0-----|
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