

CLEOPATRA HAD A JAZZ BAND

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verse 1:

C A7 D7 G7 C
Histor-y re-peats itself so the wise men say
C
I believe they're right
G7 D7 G7
Be-cause last night I heard peculiar music play
C A7 D7 G7 E7
In a dream it takes me back two thousand years a-go
Edim D7 D G7
Which only goes to prove that E-gyptians were not slow

chorus 1:

D7
Cleopatra has a jazz band
G7 C A7
In her castle on the Nile
D7 G7
Ev'ry night she gave a jazz dance
C C7
In her queer Egyptian style
A7 D7
She won Mark Anthony
G7 C A7
With her syncopated harmony
A7 D7
And while they played, she swayed
G7
She knew she had him all the while
G7 D7
In the shadow of the pyramids
G7 C
'Neath the old Egyptian moon
G7
A sphinx was looking on and said,
E7
"There'll be a wedding soon"
A7 D7
But the real historic scandal
G G7 C
Was Cleo lost her sandal
G7
As she danced to the strains
G G7 C Edim G7
Of the Egyptian Jazz Band tune

verse 2:

C A7 D7 G7 C
Egypt got the dancing craze so the wise men say
And when they heard that music start G7
D7 G7
The natives all began to sway
C A7 D7 G7 E7
Caesar came from Rome to learn to dance the latest step
Edim D7 D G7
And when he heard those Jazzers play he sure was full of pep

chorus 2:

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In the shadow of the pyramids
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'Neath the old Egyptian moon
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A sphinx was looking on and said,
E7
"There'll be a wedding soon"
A7 D7
Brutus stabbed poor Julius Caesar
G G7 C
Be-cause he tried to please her,
G7
As she danced to the strains
G G7 C EbdimC6
Of the Egyptian Jazz Band tune