

Midnight Special - Leadbelly

Key of A

Intro: Vocal Chorus

A D A
 Younder comes a Miss-a Rosie, How in the world do you know
 E A
 Well I knows her by her apron, And the dress she wore
 D A
 Umbrella on her shoulder, Piece of paper in her hand
 E A
 Well I'm gonna ask the Governor, Please turn a-loose-a my man

Chorus

A D A
 Let the Midnight Special, Shine your light on me
 E A
 Let the Midnight Special, Shine its ever lovin' light on me

A D A
 When you gets up in the morning, When that big bell ring
 E A
 You're gonna march to the table, See the same damned thing
 D A
 Knife and fork are on the table, There's nothin' in my pan
 E A
 Never say a thing about it, You'll Have trouble with the man

Chorus**Solo on Verse**

A D A
 Well I went into the nations, And the terr-i-to
 E A
 Well I thought about a girl I love, Lives in Mexico

Chorus

A D A
 If you ever go to Houston, Boys you better walk right
 E A
 And you better not quarrel, And you better not fight
 D A
 Benson Crocker will arrest you, Eddie Boone will take you down
 E A
 You gonna bet your bottom dollar, Penitentiary bound

Chorus

Solo on Verse

A **D** **A**
 Yondah come Miss Rosy, oh, how do you know?
 E **A**
 By th' umbrella on her shoulder, an' the dress she woah!
 D **A**
 Straw hat on her head, piece of paper in her hand,
 E **A**
 Says, "Look, Mr. Jailer, I want's my life-time man."

Chorus

A **D** **A**
 Well jumpin' little Judy, She was a mighty fine gal
 E **A**
 She brought jumpin', To this whole round world
 D **A**
 Now she brought it in the mornin', Just a while before day
 E **A**
 She brought me the news, That my wife was dead
 D **A**
 N'that started me greivin', Hootin', hollerin' and cryin'
 E **A**
 Then I had to give the worry, 'Bout a very long time

Chorus

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 E **A**
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 A **D** **A**
Acapella: Let the Midnight Special, Shine your light on me
 E *slow* **A**
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