Video Killed the Radio Star

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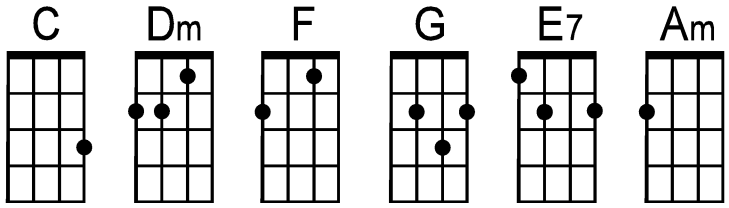

Notes:
to play in original key(C#), capo 1st fret

-- = rest \ = single strum

Intro: (*fingerpick)* Dm . . -- |C . . -- |F . . -- |Am . . -- |
Dm . . -- |C . . -- |F . . -- G\ . . .|

C . Dm . |F . G . |
I heard you on the wireless back in 'fifty two
C . Dm . |F . G . |
Ly-ing a-wake, in-tent on tuning in on you
C . Dm . |F . G . | C . Dm . | F . G . |
If I was young, it didn't stop you coming through. (*oh -a- oh)*

C . Dm . |F . G . |
They took the credit for your second symphon-y
C . Dm . |F . G . |
Re-written by mach-ine on new tech-no-lo-gy
C . Dm . |F . G . | C . Dm . |
And now I under-stand the problems you can see. *(oh -a- oh)*
F . G . | C . Dm . | F . G . |
I met your child-ren *(oh -a- oh)* What did you tell them?

C . . . |F . . . |C . . . |F . . . |
Chorus 1: *Vide-o killed the radi-o star* *Vide-o killed the radi-o star*
C . G . | F . . . | C . . . |Am . . . |
Pic-tures came and broke your heart *(oh -a- oh-oh-oh oh)*

C . Dm . |F . G . |
And now we meet in an a-bandoned studi-o
C . Dm . |F . G . |
We hear the playback and it seems so long a-go
C . Dm . |F . G . | C . Dm . |
And you re-member, the jingles used to go *(oh -a- oh)*
F . G . | C . Dm . | F . G . |
You were the first one *(oh -a -oh*) You were the last one

C . . . |F . . . |C . . . |F . . . |
Chorus 2: *Vide-o killed the radi-o star* *Vide-o killed the radi-o star*
C . G . | F . . . |C . G . | F . . . |
In my mind and in my car, we can't re-wind, we've gone too far

C . . . |Am . . . |C . . . |Am . . . |
(oh -a- oh-oh-oh oh) *(oh -a- oh-oh-oh oh)*

Instrumental:

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   Dm  .  G  .  |C  .  F  . |Dm  .  G  . |C   .  F  . |Dm  .  G  .  |E7  .  Am  . |
A: -------0-------------------------------0-------------------------------0------------------------
E: ------------3--1--0-----------------------3--1--0-1-3-----------------3---1--0------------
C: 2--2----------------0---------2--2---------------------0-----2--2----------------2---0----
G: -------------------------2-------------------------------------------------------------------
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(fingerpick) Dm . . -- |C . . -- |F . . -- |G\ Am\ F\ . |Am\ F\ G\ |

C . . . |F . . . |C . . . |F . . . |
Chorus 3: *Vide-o killed the radi-o star* *Vide-o killed the radi-o star*
C . G . |F . . . |C . G . | F . . .
In my mind and in my car, we can't re-wind, we've gone too far
C . G . |F . . . |C . G . | F\ \ \
Pic-tures came and broke your heart, Put the blame on V C R

. |C . Dm . |F . G . | C . Dm . | F . G
You are---------- the radi-o star----------
. |C . Dm . |F . G . | C . Dm . | F . G
You are---------- the radi-o star----------

C . . . |F . . . |C . . . |F . . . |
Vide-o killed the radi-o star *Vide-o killed the radi-o star*
C . . . |F . . . |C . . . |F . . . |
Vide-o killed the radi-o star *Vide-o killed the radi-o star*

C . . . |F . . . |C . . . |F . .
Vide-o killed the radi-o star Vide-o killed the radi-o star
. |C . . . |F . . . |C . . . |F . .
(You are---------- the radi-o star----------
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. |C . . . |F . . . |C . . . |F . .
(You are---------- the radi-o star----------
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Dm . . -- |C . . -- |F . . -- **|G**

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