Minnie the Moocher
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(sing b)
Em . . . . . | B7 . Em . |
Folks, here’s the story ‘bout Minnie the Moocher
C7 . . . . . | B7 . Em . |
She was a low-down hoo-chie coocher
. . . . . . . | B7 . Em |
She was the rough-est, tough-est frail
. | C7 . . . . | B7 . Em |
But Minnie had a heart as big as a whale

Chorus:  Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho (Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho)
. . . . . . . . | . . . . . . . . |
Hey-dee hey-dee hey-dee hey (Hey-dee hey-dee hey-dee hey)
. . . . . . . . | . . . . . . . . |
Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee hi (Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee hi)
. . . . . . . . | . . . . . . . . |
Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho (Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho)

Em . . . . . . | B7 . Em . |
She messed a-round with a bloke named Smokey
C7 . . . . . | B7 . Em . |
She loved him though he was a cokie
. . . . . . . | B7 . Em |
He took her down to Chin-a-town
. | C7 . . . . . | B7 . Em |
And showed her how to kick a gong a-round

Chorus:  Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho (Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho)
. . . . . . . . | . . . . . . . . |
Hey-dee hey-dee hey-dee hey (Hey-dee hey-dee hey-dee hey)
. . . . . . . . | . . . . . . . . |
Whoa———oooooooh (Whoa———oooooooh)
. . . . . . . . | . . . . . . . . |
Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho (Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho)
Em . . . . | B7 . .  Em . |
She had a dream a—bout the king of Sweden

C7 . . . . | B7 . .  Em . |
He gave her things that she was needin’

Em . . . . | B7 . .  Em . |
He gave her a home built of gold and steel

C7 . . . . | B7 . .  Em\ |
A diamond car with a plati-num wheel

Chorus: Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho (Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho)

. . . . . . . . . |
Hey-dee hey-dee hey-dee hey (Hey-dee hey-dee hey-dee hey)

** fast scatting** ---------------- (scatting repeat)

. . . . . . . . . |
Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho (Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho)

Em . . . . . . | B7 . .  Em . |
He gave her his townhouse and his rac—ing horses

C7 . . . . | B7 . .  Em . |
Each meal she ate was a doz—en courses

. . . . . . . . . |
Had a million dollars worth of nickels and dimes

C7 . . . . . . | B7 . .  Em\ |
She sat around and counted them a mil—lion times

Chorus: Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho (Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho)

. . . . . . . . . |
Hey-dee hey-dee hey-dee hey (Hey-dee hey-dee hey-dee hey)

. . . . . . . . . |
Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee hi (Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee hi)

. . . . . . . . . |
Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho (Hi-dee hi-dee hi-dee ho)

(slowly) Em\ C7 \ ~ ~ ~ (hold) | C7\ B7\ ~ ~ ~ (hold) | -- Em ~ ~ ~ |
Poor Min poor Min poor Min

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