

Apeman

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D D D D D A A D E A

A E Esus4 E
I think I'm sophisticated 'cause I'm living my life like a good Homo Sapien.

A
But all around me everybody's multiplying
E Esus4 E
'Til they're walkin' 'round like flies, man.

D A Asus4 A
So, I'm no better than the animals sitting in their cages in the zoo, man.

E A
'Cause compared to the flowers and the birds and the trees, I am an apeman.

I think I'm so educated and I'm so civilized 'cause I'm a strict vegetarian.
But with the over-population and inflation and starvation and the crazy politicians
I don't feel safe in this world no more.
I don't want to die in a nuclear war. *[riff 1]*
I want to sail away to a distant shore and make like an apeman

CHORUS 1:

A E
I'm an apeman, I'm an ape apeman, oh, I'm an apeman.
A E
I'm a King Kong man, I'm a voodoo man, oh I'm an apeman.

D
'Cause compared to the sun that sits in the sky,
A
Compared to the clouds as they roll by,
E A
Compared to the bugs and the spiders and flies, I am an apeman.

D D D D D A A D E A *[riff 1]*
La la la la la, la la

BRIDGE: *[lines 1 & 2 spoken, lines 3 & 4 sung]*

A E
In man's evolution he has created the cities and the motor traffic rumble.
A E
But give me half a chance and I'd be taking off my clothes and living in the jungle.
D A
'Cause the only time that I feel at ease is swinging up and down in a coconut tree.
E A *[riff 1]*
Oh what a life of luxury to be like an apeman

CHORUS #2:

I'm an ape, I'm an ape apeman, oh I'm an apeman.
I'm a King Kong man, I'm a voodoo man, oh I'm an apeman.
I look out my window, but I can't see the sky.
The air pollution is a-foggin' up my eyes.
I want to get out of this city alive and make like an apeman.

D D D D D A A D E A
La la la la la, la la

E [riff 2] A [riff 3]
Ah come and love me--, be my apeman girl.
E [riff 2] A [riff 4 - riff 1]
And we will be so happy--- in my apeman world.

CHORUS #3:

I'm an apeman, I'm an ape apeman, oh I'm an apeman.
I'm a King Kong man, I'm a voo-doo man, oh I'm an apeman.
I'll be your Tarzan, you'll be my Jane.
I'll keep you warm and you'll keep me sane.
We'll sit in the trees and eat bananas all day.
Just like an apeman. [riff 1]

CHORUS #4:

I'm an apeman, I'm an ape apeman, oh I'm an apeman.
I'm a King Kong man, I'm a voo-doo man, oh I'm an apeman.
I don't feel safe in this world no more.
I don't want to die in a nuclear war.
I want to sail away to a distant shore and make like an apeman.

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La la la la la, la la

RIFFS:

RIFF 1:	RIFF 2:	RIFF 3:
E -----	-----	-----
B -----	-----	-----
G -----	-----	-----
D -----	-----	-----2-4-2-----
A -----0---	-----2-4-2-----	-0--0s4-----0---
E -0-1-2-1-2-3-4-----	-0--0s4-----0-----	-----

RIFF 4:

E -----
B -----
G -----5-----3-----0--
D ----6-----4-----0----
A -s7-----s5-----s2-----
E -----