

UP ON THE ROOF Carole King & Gerry Goffin 1962

Melody by King; Goffin's lyrics were inspired by his fascination with scenes from Upper West Side rooftops in the 1961 movie, "West Side Story".

Chord=4 beats unless noted. 1st sung note: G 1,2,3,4 1,2,3

C Am
When this old world starts getting me down,
F G7 C//// ////
And people are just too much— for me to face.

C Am
I climb way up to the top of the stairs,
F G7 C//// ////
And all my cares just drift— right into space.

F//// //// //// ////
On the roof it's peaceful as can be. . . .
C Am F G7
And there the world below don't bother me. . . .

C Am
So when I come home feelin' tired and beat,
F G7 C//// ////
I'll go up where the air— is fresh and sweet.(up on the roof. . .)

C Am
I'll get away from the hustling crowd,
F G7 C//// ////
And all that rat-race noise, down in the street.

F//// //// //// ////
On the roof that's the only place I know,
C Am F G7/ C Am F G7
Where you just have to wish—to make it so; Up on the roof.

F//// //// //// ////
At night the stars put on a show for free.
C Am F G7/

And darling you can share it all with me; I keep on telling you that-

C Am
Right smack dab in the middle of town,
F G7 C//// ////
I've found a paradise that's trouble proof. (up on the roof. . . .)

C Am
And if this old world starts getting you down,
F G7 C//// Am////
There's room enough for two, up on the roof.
F G7/ C Am F G7
Up on the roof, up on the roof.

F//// //// //// ////
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