

ALLENTOWN

Words and Music by
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Moderately



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Well, we're
Well, we're



liv - ing here in Al - len - town, — and they're clos - ing all the fac - to - ries down. -
wait - ing here in Al - len - town — for the Penn - syl - va - nia we nev - er found. -



— Out in Beth - le - hem they're kill - ing time, — fill - ing out forms, -
— for the prom - is - es our teach - ers gave — if we worked hard, -

Em/G D/F# A^{sus} A Em⁷ A

stand - ing in line. _____ Well, our fa - thers fought the Sec - ond World War, -
 if we be - haved. _____ So the grad - u - a - tions hang on the wall, -

D Am⁷ D G

spent their week - ends on the Jer - sey shore, met our
 but they nev - er real - ly helped us at all. No they

Em⁷ A Bm F#m/A Em/G D/F#

moth - ers in the U S O, _____ asked them to dance, _____ danced with them slow. -
 nev - er taught us what was real, _____ i - ron and coke, _____ and chro - mi - um steel. -

A^{sus} A Em⁷ A D

And we're liv - ing here in Al - len - town, _____ but the
 And we're wait - ing here in Al - len - town, _____ but they've

F/A



G/B



C



Am⁷



D



rest-less-ness was hand-ed down and it's get-ting ver-y hard to stay.
tak-en all the coal from the ground and the un-ion peo-ple crawled a-way.

Em



G/B



C



D



C



G/B



Musical notation for piano accompaniment, including treble and bass staves with chords and melodic lines.

C



F



Musical notation for piano accompaniment, including treble and bass staves with chords and melodic lines.

G/F



F



G/F



B^b/F



Musical notation for piano accompaniment, including treble and bass staves with chords and melodic lines.

child had a pret-ty good shot to get at least as far as their old man

F/A G/B C Am⁷ D

hard to keep a good man down, — but I won't be get - ting up to - day. _

Em G/B C D C G/B

C F G/F

F G/F B^b/F F



Musical notation for the first system, including treble and bass staves with chords.



Musical notation for the second system, including treble and bass staves with chords.



And it's get - ting ver - y hard__ to stay,

Musical notation for the third system, including treble and bass staves with lyrics.



and we're liv - ing here in Al - len - town.

Musical notation for the fourth system, including treble and bass staves with lyrics.