

My Old Man's a Dustman Lonnie Donegan

Now **G** here's a little story to tell it is a **D** must
About an unsung hero that moves away your **G** dust
Some people make a fortune other's earn a **C** mint
D My old man don't earn much In fact....he's flippin'..... **G** skint

chorus

Oh! **G** my old man's a dustman he wears a dustman's **D** hat
He wears cor blimey trousers and he lives in a council **G** flat
He looks a proper narner in his great big hob nailed **C** boots
D He's got such a job to pull em up that he calls them daisy **G** roots
G Some folks give tips at Christmas and some of them **D** forget
So when he picks their bins up he spills some on the **G** steps
Now one old man got nasty and to the council **C** wrote
D Next time my old man went 'round there he punched him up the **G** throat

chorus

I say I say Duncan! I 'er...I found a police dog in my dustbin
(How do you know he's a police dog?) He had a policeman with him
G Though my old man's a dustman he's got a heart of **D** gold
He got married recently though he's 86 years **G** old
We said 'Ear! Hang on Dad you're getting past your **C** prime'
D He said 'Well when you get to my age it helps to pass the **G** time'

chorus

I say I say I say! My dustbins full of lillies
(Well throw 'em away then) I can't Lilly's wearing them
G Now one day while in a hurry he missed a lady's **D** bin
He hadn't gone but a few yards when she chased after **G** him
'What game do you think you're playing' she cried right from **C** the heart
D You've missed me...am I too late?' 'No... jump up on the **G** cart'

chorus

I say I say I say (What you again) My dustbin's absolutely full with toadstools
(How do you know it's full) 'Cos there's not much room inside
G He found a tiger's head one day, nailed to a piece of **D** wood
The tiger looked quite miserable but I suppose it **G** should
Just then from out a window, a voice began to **C** wail
D He said (Oi! Where's me tiger head) Four foot from it's **G** tail

chorus

SLOW speech and rapid strums
G Next time you see a dustman looking all pale and **C** sad
Dont **D** kick him in the dustbin it might be my old **G** dad