

CHERRY BOMB – John Cougar Mellencamp (G)

INTRO: G Am x4

G Am G Am
Well...I lived on the outskirts of town....in an eight-room farmhouse, baby
G Am G Am
When my brothers and friends were around....there was always something doin'
Em Bm Am C
Had me a couple of real nice girlfriends...stopped by to see me every once in a while
Em Bm Am C G
When I think back about those days....all I can do is sit and smile

G Am G Am
CHORUS 1: That's when a smoke was a smoke...and goovin' was groovin'
G Am G Am
And dancin' meant everything...we were young and we were improvin'
G Am G Am
Laughin', laughin', with our friends...holdin' hands meant somethin', baby
G Am G Am
Outside the club, Cherry Bomb...our hearts were really thumpin'
G Am G Am x2
Say yeh, yeh, yeh.....say, yeh, yeh, yeh

G Am G Am
The winter days they last forever....but the weekends went by so quick
G Am G Am
Went ridin' around this little country town.....we were goin' nuts, girl, out in the sticks
Em Bm Am C
One night, me with my big mouth...a couple guys had to put me in my place
Em Bm Am C
When I see those guys these days...we just laugh and say, "Do you remember when?"

G Am G Am
CHORUS 2: That's when a smoke was a smoke...and goovin' was groovin'
G Am G Am
And dancin' meant everything...we were young and we were improvin'
G Am G Am
Laughin', laughin', with our friends...holdin' hands meant somethin', baby
G Am G Am
Outside the club, Cherry Bomb...our hearts were really thumpin'
G Am G Am G Am G Am (fiddle lead into break)
Say yeh, yeh, yeh.....say, yeh, yeh, yeh

BREAK: (drums & guitar only) G Am G Am G Am G Am
Say yeh, yeh, yeh.....say, yeh, yeh, yeh

G Am G Am
Seventeen has turned thirty-five....I'm surprised that we're still livin'
G Am G Am
If we've done any wrong....I hope that we're forgiven
Em Bm Am C
Got a few kids of my own....and some days I still don't know what to do
Em Bm Am C
I hope that they're not laughin' too loud...when they hear me talkin' like..this to you

REPEAT CHORUS 1 (repeating G Am G Am fading to end)