

# John Henry

When John Hen-ry - was a lit-tle ba - by, \_\_\_ You could hold him in the palm of your hand. \_\_\_ He

gave a long and lone - some cry: "Gon - na

be a steel - driv - ing man, Lord, Lord, Gon - na be a steel driv - ing man."

<p>2. Well, every Monday morning When the birds begin to sing You can see John Henry coming on the line You can hear those hammers ring, Lord Lord, You can hear those hammers ring.</p> <p>3. Well, the Captain said to John Henry Gonna bring that steam drill around. Gonna bring that steam drill out on the job. Gonna whop that steel on down, Lord, Lord, Gonna whop that steel on down."</p> <p>4. Well, John Henry said to the Captain, "Lord a man ain't nothing but a man, But before I'd let your steam drill beat me down, I'd die with a hammer in my hand, Lord, Lord I'd die with a hammer in my hand."</p> <p>5. Then John Henry told his Captain, Lightening was in his eye, Captain bet your last red cent on me,</p>	<p>For I'll beat it to the bottom or I'll die, Lord, Lord. Yes I'll beat it to the bottom or I'll die."</p> <p>6. Now the man who invented the steam drill, He thought he was mighty fine. But John Henry drove the steel fifteen feet, The steam drill only made nine, Lord, Lord, The steam drill only made nine.</p> <p>7. John Henry hammered in the mountains; His hammer was striking fire. But he worked so hard, it broke his poor heart, And he laid down his hammer and he died, Lord, Lord. He laid down his hammer and he died.</p> <p>8. They took John Henry to the graveyard, And they buried him in the sand. And every locomotive comes a roaring by, whistles, "There lies a steel-driving man, Lord, Lord, There lies a steel-driving man."</p>
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## John Henry Chord Chart

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