

PARADISE - JOHN PRINE

MEDIUM FOLK

KEY: G

INTRO (2X):

G **C** **G** **D** **G**
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G **C** **G**
When I was a child my family would travel

(G) **D** **G**
Down to Western Kentucky where my parents were born

(G) **C** **G**
And there's a backwards old town that's often re-mem-bered

(G) **D** **G**
So many times that my memories are worn

G **C** **G**
And daddy won't you take me back to Muhlenberg County

(G) **D** **G**
Down by the Green River where Paradise lay

(G) **C** **G**
Well, I'm sorry my son, but you're too late in asking

(G) **D** **G**
Mr. Peabody's coal train has hauled it a-way

G **C** **G**
Well, sometimes we'd travel right down the Green River

(G) **D** **G**
To the abandoned old prison down by Airdrie Hill

(G) **C** **G**
Where the air smelled like snakes we'd shoot with our pistols

(G) **D** **G**
But empty pop bottles was all we would kill

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INSTRUMENTAL AND/OR SOLO(S):

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G **C** **G**
Then the coal company came with the world's largest shovel

(G) **D** **G**
And they tortured the timber and stripped all the land

(G) **C** **G**
Well, they dug for their coal till the land was for-saken

(G) **D** **G**
Then they wrote it all down as the progress of man

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