

Tom Petty- Learning to Fly (1991)

Intro: (x4, drums enter third time)

F C Am G

Verse 1:

F C Am G F C Am G
 Well I started out, down a dirty road
 F C Am G F C Am G
 Started out all alone
 F C Am G F C Am G
 And the sun went down, as I crossed the hill
 F C Am G F C Am G
 As the town lit up, the world got still

Chorus:

F C Am G F C Am G
 I'm learning to fly, but I ain't got wings
 F C Am G F C Am G
 Coming down is the hardest thing

Verse 2: (half a Verse)

F C Am G F C Am G
 Well the good ol' days, may not return
 F C Am G F C Am G
 And the rocks might melt and the sea may burn

Chorus (hold final G for an extra measure)

Slide Solo (over Chorus chords)

e-----8-8vvv-----8-----
 B-----17vvv--17s---s8-----8s7s8-----
 G---17-----17s-----7s8-9s7---5vvv---s5-s5-----
 D-s17-----17s-----s5-s5-----
 A-----6-5-3vv-----
 E-----5s3vvv-0

Verse 3: (first two lines quieter)

F C Am G F C Am G
 Well some say life will beat you down
 F C Am G F C Am G
 Break your heart, steal your crown
 F C Am G F C Am G
 So I started out, for God knows where
 F C Am G F C Am G
 I guess I'll know when I get there

Chorus 2: (hold final G an extra two measures)

I'm learning to fly, around the clouds
 But what goes up, must come down

Interlude: (Intro x2, syncopated strumming,
all downstrokes on G second time through)

Chords Used:

F (xx3211)
 C (x32010)
 Am (x02210)
 G (320003)

(Palm-mute
 same chords
 or power
 chords for
 Guitar 2)



Chorus

Chorus 2

Chorus 3: (to fade)

F	C	Am	G	F	C	Am	G
I'm	learning	to	fly,				
F	C	Am	G	F	C	Am	G
I'm	learning	to	fly				