

FIRST WE TAKE MANHATTAN

Leonard Cohen

Dm **Am**
 They sentenced me to twenty years of boredom
Dm **Am**
 For trying to change the system from within
Dm **Am**
 I'm coming now I'm coming to reward them
G **F** **E** **Am**
 First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin

Dm **Am**
 I'm guided by a signal in the heavens
Dm **Am**
 I'm guided by this birthmark on my skin
Dm **Am**
 I'm guided by the beauty of our weapons
G **F** **E** **Am**
 First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin

Chorus:

C **G** **F**
 I'd really like to live beside you, baby
C **Am**
 I love your body and your spirit and your clothes
C **Am**
 But you see that line there moving through the station
G **F** **E** **Am**
 I told you I told you I told you I was one of those

Dm **Am**
 You loved me as a loser but now your worried that I just might win
Dm **Am**
 You know the way to stop me but you don't have the discipline
Dm **Am**
 How many nights I prayed for this: to let my work begin
G **F** **E** **Am**
 First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin

Dm **Am**
 I don't like your fashion business, mister
Dm **Am**
 I don't like these drugs that keep you thin
Dm **Am**
 I don't like what happened to your sister
G **F** **E** **Am**
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Dm **Am**
And I thank you for those items that you sent me
Dm **Am**
The monkey end the plywood violin
Dm **Am**
I practiced every night and now I'm ready
G **F** **E** **Am**
First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin

Dm **Am**
Remember me, I used to live for music
Dm **Am**
Remember me, I brought your groceries in
Dm **Am**
It's Fa ther's Day and everybody's wounded
G **F** **E** **Am**
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