

How Long Blues

Leroy Carr - 1928

(Big Joe Turner - 1956, T-Bone Walker - 1959)

Acoustic guitar
A harp
Stomp box
Tambourine

8-Bar (E)

E E7 A7 A7
E B7 E E

1. How long, baby how long,
Has that evening train been gone?
How long, how, how long, baby, how long?
2. Went to the station, didn't see no train.
Down in my heart, I have an aching pain.
How long, how, how long, baby, how long?
3. I feel disgusted, I feel so bad
Thinking 'bout the good time that I once had had.
How long, how, how long, baby, how long?
4. I could see the green grass growing on the hill;
I ain't seen no greenback on a dollar bill.
How long, how, how long, baby, how long?
5. You're gonna be sorry you feel so blue.
When you want me, baby, I declare I want, want you.
How long, how, how long, baby, how long?

[Solo on Verse Chords]

6. Don't have no money for to ride the train.
I would ride the rugs, baby, to be with you again.
How long, how, how long, baby, how long?
7. How long, baby how long
Must I keep my, my watching point?
How long, how, how long, baby, how long?