

American Idiot

Green Day
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Words & Music by Green Day

Vocals Billy Joe Distortion 2
Standard tuning Standard tuning

♩ = 185

S-Gt

E-Gt

TAB

Intro

4 5 6 7

scrape strings w/edge of pick

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8 9 10 11

scrape strings w/edge of pick

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Verse

12 13 14 15

Don't want to be an A-mer-i-can I-di-ot Don't

scrape strings w/edge of pick

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16 17 18 19

S-Gt

wan- na na- tion un- der the new me- di- a And can

scrape strings w/edge of pick scrape strings w/edge of pick

E-Gt

TAB

0					6	6	6	6		(4)	4	6	6	0	0
0					6	6	4	4	4	(4)	4	4	6	0	0
					4	4	0	4	0	2	2	4	4		

20 21 22 23

S-Gt

you hear the sound of hy- ster- i- a? The sub- lim-

scrape strings w/edge of pick

E-Gt

TAB

0					6	6	6	6		(4)	4	6	6	4	4
0					6	6	4	4	4	(4)	4	4	6	4	4
					4	4	0	4	0	2	2	4	4	4	2

24 25 26 27

S-Gt

in- al mindfuck A- mer- i- ca Welcome to a

scrape strings w/edge of pick

E-Gt

TAB

0					6	6	6	6		(4)	4	6	6	4	4
0					6	6	4	4	4	(4)	4	4	6	4	4
					4	4	0	4	0	2	2	4	4	0	0

Chorus

28 29 30 31

S-Gt

new kind of ten- sion All a- cross the al- i- en na- tion Ev- ery- thing is- n't

E-Gt

TAB

6	6	6	6	6	6	(6)	6	6	6	6	6	(6)	6	6	6	6	6
6	6	6	6	6	6	(6)	6	6	6	6	6	(6)	6	6	6	6	6
4	4	4	4	4	4	(4)	4	4	4	4	4	(4)	4	4	4	4	0

32 meant to be o- kay Tel- e- vis- ion dreams of tom- or-

8 8 8 8 8 8 (8) 8 8 8 8 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 4 0

6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 0 4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 0

36 row We're not the ones who-'re meant to fol- low We that's en- ough to ar- gue Well may-

6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6

4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 0

40 be I'm the fag- got A- mer- i- ca

8 8 8 8 8 8 (8) 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 0 0

6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 0 0

scrape strings w/edge of pick

Main Riff

44 45 46 47

6 6 6 6 6 6 (4) 4 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 0 0

4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 6 6 0 0

4 4 0 4 4 2 (2) 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4

scrape strings w/edge of pick

Verse 2

48 *S-Gt* *E-Gt*

I'm not a part of a red-neck a- gen- da Now

scrape strings w/edge of pick

T
A
B

0 0 0 6 6 6 6 6 4 4 (4) 4 6 6 4

6 6 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 6 4

4 4 0 0 2 (2) 2 4 2

52 *S-Gt* *E-Gt*

ev- 'ry- bod- y do the pro- a- gan- da And sing

scrape strings w/edge of pick

scrape strings w/edge of pick

T
A
B

0 0 0 6 6 6 6 6 4 4 (4) 4 6 6 0

6 6 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 6 6 0

4 4 0 0 2 (2) 2 4 4

56 *S-Gt* *E-Gt*

a- long in the age of par- a- noi- a Wel- come

scrape strings w/edge of pick

T
A
B

0 0 0 6 6 6 6 6 4 4 (4) 4 6 6 4

6 6 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 6 4

4 4 0 0 2 (2) 2 4 2

60 *S-Gt* *E-Gt*

to a newkind of ten- sion All a- cross the al- i-

scrape strings w/edge of pick

T
A
B

0 0 0 6 6 6 6 6 4 4 (4) 4 6 6 4 4

6 6 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 6 6 4 4

4 4 0 0 2 (2) 2 4 0 0

Chorus

64 en na- tion Ev- ery-thing is- n't meant 66 to be o- kay Tel- e- vis- ion

T 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6
 A 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6
 B 4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 4 0

68 dreams of tom- or- row We're not 69 the ones who- 're meant 70 to fol- low 71

T 8 8 8 8 8 8 (8) 8 8 8 8 8 8 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6
 A 8 8 8 8 8 8 (8) 8 8 8 8 8 8 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6
 B 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 0 4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 0

72 Well that's en- ough to ar- gue Don't want 74 to be an A- mer- i- can id- i- ot One 75

T 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6
 A 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6
 B 4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 4 0 4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 0

76 na- tion con- trolled by the me- di- a 78 79

T 8 8 8 8 8 8 (8) 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 0
 A 8 8 8 8 8 8 (8) 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 0
 B 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 0

scrape strings w/edge of pick

Main Riff

80 81 82 83

S-Gt

E-Gt

scrape strings w/edge of pick

0 0 0

T	6	6	6	6	(4)	4	6	6	4	6	6	(4)	4	6	6	0	0	0
A	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
B	4	4	0	0	2	2	4	4	2	4	4	0	0	2	2	4	4	4

84 85 86 87

sl.

T	6	6	6	6	(4)	4	6	6	4	6	6	6	6	4	6	6	4	4	11
A	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	9
B	4	4	0	0	2	2	4	4	2	4	4	0	0	2	2	4	4	4	9

Solo

88 89 90 91

T	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	(10)	10	10	8	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	10	(10)	8	6	5	
A	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	(8)	8	8	6	4	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	(8)	6	4	3
B																								

92 93 94 95

sl.

T	3	3	3	3	3	5	6	(6)	5	3	3	3	8	8	9	8	8	11	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	11	9
A																												
B																												

96 97 98 99

S-Gt

E-Gt

TAB

10-10-10-10-10-10-10 (10)-10-10-8-6 8-8-8-8-8-8-10 (10)-8-6-5

8-8-8-8-8-8 (8)-8-8-6-4 6-6-6-6-6-6-8 (8)-6-4-3

100 101

S-Gt

E-Gt

TAB

3 3 3 3 3 5 6 (6) 5 3 3 3

sl.

sl.

Bridge

102 103 104 105

S-Gt

E-Gt

TAB

13 (13)

scrape strings w/edge of pick

0 0 0

Verse 3

106 107 108 109

S-Gt

E-Gt

TAB

0 0 0 0

In- for- ma- tion age of hy- ster- i- a It's go- ing out to i- di- ot A- mer- i- ca! Wel- come

scrape strings w/edge of pick

scrape strings w/edge of pick

110 to a new kind of ten-sion All a- cross the al- i- en na- tion Ev- ery-thing is- n't meant to

scrape strings w/edge of pick *sl.*

E-Gt

T A B

0 0 0

11 9

Chorus

114 be o- kay Tel- e- vis- ion dreams of tom- or- row We're not the ones who- 're

T A B

6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6

4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 4 0

118 meant to fol- low Welthat's en- ough to ar- gue

T A B

8 8 8 8 8 8 (8) 8 8 8 8 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6

6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 4 0

122

123

124

T A B

6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

4 4 4 4 4 4 (4) 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 0 4 4 4 4 4 4 4

125 126 127

S-Gt

E-Gt

TAB

(6) 6 6 6 6 6 8 8 8 8 8 8 (8) 8 8 8 8 8
 (4) 4 4 4 4 0 6 6 6 6 6 6 (6) 6 6 6 6 6

Outro

128 129 130 131

scrape strings w/edge of pick

TAB

0 0 6 6 6 6 4 4 (4) 4 6 6 4
 4 4 0 4 4 4 0 2 (4) 4 4 4 4 2

132 133 134 135

scrape strings w/edge of pick

TAB

6 6 6 6 4 4 (4) 4 6 6 0 6 6 4 (4) 4 6 6 4
 4 4 0 4 4 0 2 (4) 4 4 4 4 0 2 (4) 4 4 4 2

136 137

TAB

6 6 6 6
 4 4 4 4