

## The Oregon Whale Song

In 1970, a dead whale washed up onto the shore in Oregon, USA. It quickly started to smell as the whale began to rot.

The local people were not pleased that they had a dead whale on their beach. But, they didn't really know what to do with it. What does a town do with 7 tonnes of whale?

It was too heavy to move.

It was too big to cut up.

It was too dead to swim back into the sea itself.

Fortunately, an engineer in town came up with a great plan.



### Intro: G C C D

**G** **D** **Em - D - C** **G** **Am D**

Well as bad days go, this is off the scale. What am I supposed to do with a 7 tonne whale?

**G** **Bm** **C** **Cm**

I tried to push it, but it won't shift. It's starting to rot and it really stinks

**D** **B** **Em7 - Em C** **Bm - Am** **D** **G**

It's a major operation, disposing of a deceased cetacean (cetacean is another word for whale).

**Em** **B** **C** **D**

But hold on, what's this thought. Lurking at the back of my mind?



**G**

Dynamite! I'll solve all my problems with dynamite.

**C D Bm C - D**

I'll blow the whale up into tiny little pieces: tasty treats for all the seagulls

**G**

Dynamite! I'll solve all my problems with dynamite.

**C D B Em**

Nothing can go wrong. I'm just strapping a whale to a half ton bomb

**C-Bm-Am C-Bm-Am C-Bm-Am D G**

It'll be like Christmas day, raining beautiful snowflakes of the decomposing body of a big dead whale.

**C-G Am G C D**

Every year we'll celebrate this day and the great decision that I made by finding and exploding another

**G**

massive dead whale.



**G**                  **D**                  **Em – D**    **C**                                  **G**                                  **Am D**

We've put dynamite down, and I've laid the fuse. But we weren't really sure how much explosive to use.

**G**                  **Bm**                          **C**                          **Cm**

Everyone's come to see it from nearby towns. It's nearly time for the big count down...

**D**                  **B**                  **Em7 – Em C**                                  **Bm - Am**                  **D**                          **G**

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**Em**                  **B**                          **C**                          **D**

Five, four, three and two and one...

**G**

Dynamite! We've blown a whale up with dynamite.

**C D Bm C - D**

To blow the whale up into tiny little pieces: tasty treats for all the seagulls

**G**

Dynamite! We've blown a whale up with dynamite.

**C D B Em**

I'm really not sure why, whale blubber is flying quite so high.

**C-Bm-Am C-Bm-Am C-Bm-Am D G**

Run for as fast as you can, some blubber's just crushed a van, Maybe this wasn't such a good plan.

**C-G Am G C D G**

Every year we'll remember this day, and the great mistakes that I made, when I tried to explode a big dead whale.

