Summertime-George Gershwin.txt

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(original version)
Words & Music:Ira & George Gershwin & Dubose Heyward
From the opera "Porgy & Bess"


Am7    Bm7/A    Am7   Bm7/A  [2 beats each]

       Am7 Bm7/A [continue the intro vamp]
Summertime------and the living is easy.
         Dm7   Em7/D   Dm7  Em7/D          E7
Fish are jumping-------, and the cotton is high.
           Am7 Bm7/A [continue the intro vamp]
Oh, your daddy's rich, and your mama's good-looking.
    CM7          Am7   D7    G9sus4    [back to original intro vamp]
So, hush, little baby, don't you----cry.


One of these mornings, you're going to rise up singing,
Then you'll spread your wings and you'll take to the sky.
But until that morning there's a-nothing can harm you
With Daddy and Mammy standing by.

2.  Doug French's corrected version (truer to the original):

INTRO VAMP:  Dm6  A7 [2 beats each, repeat as you will end on Dm6]

A+    Dm6  A7  Dm6      A7        Dm6  A7  Dm6
Summertime------and the living is ea---sy.
A7   Dm6 Gm7  Bb6  Gm7         BbM7   G#dim A  E7(#9)  A  Am6
Fish are jumping-----, and the cotton is--- high.
A7-5     Dm6     A7  Dm6        A7         Dm6 A7  Dm6
Oh, your daddy's rich, and your ma is good-looking.
G7  F            Dm    G     Gm7    Dm    Dm#7
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CHORDS:

A+ = x 0 3 2 2 1 or 5 4 3 2 2 x           Am6 = 5 x 4 5 5 x
Dm6 = x x 0 2 0 1                         BbM7 = 6 x 7 7 6 x
Bb6 = x 1 3 3 3 3 or 10 10 12 10 11 10
G#dim = 4 5 6 4 x x or x 11 12 13 12 x    E7(#9) = 0 2 0 1 3 3 or x 7 6 7 8 x
A7-5 = 5 x 5 6 4 x or x 0 1 0 2 x         Dm#7 = x 5 7 6 6 5 or x x 0 2 2 1
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