

# Blowin' in the Wind

Bob Dylan

Strum: D D U D U D U  
1 + 2 + 3 + 4 +

C F C  
How many roads must a man walk down

F G7  
Before you call him a man?

C F C Am  
Yes, 'n' how many seas must a white dove sail

F G7  
Before she sleeps in the sand?

C F C  
Yes, 'n' how many times must the cannon balls fly

F G7  
Before they're for-ever banned?

Chorus:

F G7 C Am  
The answer, my friend, is blowin' in the wind,  
F G7 C  
The answer is blowin' in the wind.

C F C  
How many times must a man look up

F G7  
Before he can see the sky?

C F C Am  
Yes, 'n' how many ears must one man have

F G7  
Before he can hear people cry?

C F C  
Yes, 'n' how many deaths will it take till he knows

F G7  
That too many people have died?

Chorus

C F C  
How many years can a mountain exist

F G7  
Before it's washed to the sea?

C F C Am  
Yes, 'n' how many years can some people exist

C F G7  
Be-fore they're al-lowed to be free?

C F C  
Yes, 'n' how many times can a man turn his head,

F G7  
Pretending he just doesn't see?

Chorus twice

Blowin' in the Wind is a song written by Bob Dylan in 1962 and released on his album *The Freewheelin' Bob Dylan* in 1963. Although it has been described as a protest song, it poses a series of rhetorical questions about peace, war and freedom. The refrain "The answer, my friend, is blowin' in the wind" has been described as "impenetrably ambiguous: either the answer is so obvious it is right in your face, or the answer is as intangible as the wind."

