The Lion Sleeps Tonight

Also known as "Wimoweh", "Wimba Way" or "Awimbawe", is a song written and recorded originally by Solomon Linda with the Evening Birds or the South African Gallo Record Company in 1939, under the title "Mbube".

Intro:

C F C G7

Dee deedee dee dee, dee dee-dee dee, de-wee-um, um, a-weh
C F C G7

Dee deedee dee dee, dee-dee dee, de-wee-um, um, a-weh

Bridge:

C
A-wim-a-weh A-wim-a-weh A-wim-a-weh A-wim-a-weh
C
G7
A-wim-a-weh A-wim-a-weh A-wim-a-weh
C
F
A-wim-a-weh A-wim-a-weh A-wim-a-weh
C
G7
A-wim-a-weh A-wim-a-weh A-wim-a-weh
C
G7

C F C G7
In the jungle, the mighty jungle, The lion sleeps to-night;
C F C G7
In the jungle, the mighty jungle, The lion sleeps to-night

Chorus:

C F C G7
We-eee - ee-ee-ee ee um, um, a-weh
C F C G7
We-eee - ee-ee-ee ee um, um, a-weh

C F C G7 Near the village, the quiet village, The lion sleeps to-night C F C G7 Near the village, the quiet village, The lion sleeps to-night

Chorus

C F C G7 Hush my dar-ling, don't fear my darling, The lion sleeps to-night C F C G7 Hush my dar-ling, don't fear my darling, The lion sleeps to-night

Chorus

C F C G7
We-eee - ee-ee-ee ee um, um, a-weh (fade)

