

## **Hamilton - Alexander Hamilton**

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He started retreatin' and readin' every treatise on the shelf
                tom:
                Bm
How does a bastard, orphan, son of a whore and a
                                                                There would have been nothing left to do
Scotsman, dropped in the middle of a
                                                                For someone less astute, he woulda been
Forgotten spot in the Caribbean by providence
                                                                Dead or destitute without a sense of restitution
                                                                Started workin', clerkin' for his late mother's landlord
Impoverished, in squalor
                Bb
Grow up to be a hero and a scholar?
                                                                Tradin' sugarcane and rum and all the things he can't afford
                                                                Scannin' for every book he can get his hands on
The ten-dollar founding father without a father
                                                                Plannin' for the future see him now as he stands on
Got a lot farther by working a lot harder
                                                                The bow of a ship headed for a new land
By being a lot smarter
                                                                In New York you can be a new man
By being a self-starter
By fourteen, they placed him in charge of a trading charter
                                                                In New York you can
                                                                Be a new man
And every day while slaves were being slaughtered and carted
                                                                Just you wait
Away across the waves, he struggled and kept his guard up
                                                                In New York you can
Inside he was longing for something to be a part of
                                                                Be a new man
                               Bh
The brother was ready to beg, steal, borrow, or barter
                                                                Just you wait
Then a hurricane came, and devastation reigned
                                                                In New York you can
    Gb
Our man saw his future drip, dripping down the drain
                                                                Be a new man
Put a pencil to his temple, connected it to his brain
                                   Gb4
                                                                In New York--
And he wrote his first refrain, a testament to his pain
                                                                New York
Well the word got around, they said, "This kid is insane, man"
                                                               Just you wait!
Took up a collection just to send him to the mainland
                                                                Alexander Hamilton (Alexander Hamilton)
"Get your education, don't forget from whence you came
                                                                We are waiting in the wings for you
And the world is gonna know your name." What's your name, man?
                                                                (waiting in the wings for you)
Alexander Hamilton
                                                                You could never back down
My name is Alexander Hamilton
                                                                You never learned to take your time
And there's a million things I haven't done
                                                                Oh, Alexander Hamilton (Alexander Hamilton)
But just you wait, just you wait
                                                                When America sings for you
                                                                          Fm
                                                                Will they know what you overcame?
When he was ten his father split, full of it, debt-ridden
                                                                Will they know you rewrote the game?
                                                                            Em
Two years later, see Alex and his mother bed-ridden half-dead
                                                                                 D
                                                                                          Gb7
                                                                The world will never be the same, oh
Sittin' in their own sick, the scent thick
And Alex got better but his mother went quick
                                                                The ship is in the harbor now
                                                                See if you can spot him
Moved in with a cousin, the cousin committed suicide
                                                                Just you wait
Left him with nothin' but ruined pride, something new inside
                                                                Another immigrant
                                                                Comin' up from the bottom
A voice saying
"You gotta fend for yourself"
                                                                Just you wait
"Alex, you gotta fend for yourself"
                                                                His enemies destroyed his rep
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Em America forgot him And me? I'm the damn fool that shot him

Gb4 Gb Em D
We fought with him There's a million things I haven't done Em Em But just you wait!

Me? I died for him

Gb7
Bm Gb What's your name, man?

Em Gb Alexander Hamilton!

( Bm )

## **Acordes**

