"WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS"

As heard on News of the World (HOLLYWOOD)

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1st Verse (0:02)

Moderately Slow \( \frac{4}{4} \), \( \frac{3}{4} \)

I've paid my dues

\[ \text{Cm} \quad \text{Bb/C} \quad \text{Gm7} \quad \text{Eb} \quad \text{Eb sus4} \quad \text{Eb5} \quad \text{Bb/D} \quad \text{C5} \quad \text{F5} \quad \text{Bb5} \quad \text{C5 III} \quad \text{A5} \]

D5 \quad Bb5 vi \quad F#7 \quad D/F# \quad \text{Gm} \quad \text{C/G} \quad \text{F5/5 add2/G} \quad \text{Fm/Ab} \quad \text{Bb sus 2} \quad \text{C7sus4} \quad \text{C7sus4 III}

I've done my sentence but committed no crime

And bad mistakes I've made a few

I've had my share of sand kicked in my face but I've come through And I need to go

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1st Chorus (0:35)

We are the champions my friends and

\[ C5 \]
\[ F5 \]
\[ A5 \]
\[ D5 \]
\[ Bb5 \]
\[ C5 \]

on and on and on and on

end Rhy. Fig. 1

Rhy. Fig. 2

we’ll keep on fighting ‘til the end

We are the champions we are the champions

No time for losers ’cause we are the champions of the world

\[ F5\]sup2
\[ Eb\]add2\(G\)
\[ Fm/Ab \]
\[ Bbsus4 \]
\[ C7sus4 \]

end Rhy. Fig. 2

\[ C7sus4 \]
\[ (Fm) \]
\[ (Gm7) \]
\[ (Fm) \]
\[ (Gm7/F) \]
\[ (Fm) \]
\[ (Gm7/C) \]

*I’ve taken my

chord symbols reflect piano harmonies
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**Verse (1:18)**

bowed and my curtain calls
You brought me fame and fortune and everything that goes with it I thanked

2nd Verse (1:18)

bows (CS) let fin!: though and my
(C7) sus4111

you all

But it's been no bed of roses
go to the pleasure cruise I consider it a

challenge before all human race and I'd never lose and the meters go on and on and on and on

Eb Bb5

2nd Chorus (1:51)

F5 D5 Bb5 C5

We are the champions my friends and we'll keep on fighting 'til

the end

Bb5 VI

We are the champions we are the champions
"WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS"

No time for losers 'cause we are the champions of the world

We are the champions my friends and we'll keep on fighting

Till the end

Ah we are the champions

Gr. 2 substitutes Rhy. Fill 1 (see below)

we are the champions

Gtr. 1

No time for losers 'cause

we are the champions

Gtr. 2

we are the champions

Rhy. Fill 1 (2/34)

N.C. (D/F#)

1st ring