C
I have bought a small apartment
  F  C
In a lonely part of town
C
There are 27 storeys
  G  C
It's a long way to the ground

C
There I live with my friend Myrtle
  F  C
My companion, my best friend
C
She ain't human; she's a turtle
  G  C
And I'll love her to the end

C
She was standing at my window
  C  F  C
On a cold and cloudy day
C
Till some wild and wilful wind blew
  G  C
My poor Myrtle clean away

Chorus:
C
Will the turtle be unbroken
  F  C
By and by Lord, by and by
C
Lord help my Myrtle as she hurtles
  G  C
Through the sky Lord, through the sky

C
I ran downstairs, I was crying
  F  C
I must find her, I must know
C
My poor Myrtle would be lying
  G  C
Several hundred feet below

Chorus:
C
Would she sunder into sections
  F  C
As her shell fell to the ground
C
Would I find two hundred plectrums
  G  C
My friend Myrtle all around

Chorus:
C
Oh caretaker, poor caretaker
  F  C
Why do you lie there stone cold dead
C
Poor man went to meet his maker
  G  C
Something landed on his head

C
Chorus: “And the turtle was unbroken”

C
Undertaker, undertaker
  F  C
Lay that poor man in his grave
C
Good Lord took the old caretaker
  G  C
But my best friend she was saved

C
Yes the turtle was unbroken
  F  C
By and by Lord, by and by
C
Lord help my Myrtle as she hurtles
  G  C
Through the sky Lord, through the sky

Repeat Chorus: