

There Ain't Half Been Some Clever Bastards

(Written by Ian Dury, Hardy Robins & Godfrey Russell 1978. Recorded by Ian Dury and the Blockheads.)

(CM7)(Bm7)(Am7)(G)(D7)(D7) (x2)

(D+)(G)Noel Coward was a **(D7)**charmer.

(C)As a **(D7)**writer he was **(G)**brahma.**(E7)(A7)(D7)**

(G)Velvet jackets and py**(D7)**jamas,

"The **(C)**Gay Di**(D7)**voice" and other **(G)**dramas.

There **(A7)**ain't half been some clever bastards

(D)(Lucky bleeders, lucky bleeders)

There **(A7)**ain't half been some clever bas**(D)**tards. **(G)**

(D+)(G)Van Gough did some eyeball **(D7)**pleasers.

(C)He must have **(D7)**been a pencil **(G)**squeezer.**(E7)(A7)(D7)**

He **(G)**didn't do the Mona **(D7)**Lisa,

(C)That was **(D7)**an Italian **(G)**geezer.

(chorus)

(D+)(G)Einstein can't be classed as **(D7)**witless.

(C)He claimed **(D7)**atoms were the **(G)**littlest.**(E7)(A7)(D7)**

(G)When you did a bit of **(D7)**split-em-ness

(C)Frighten **(D7)**everybody **(G)**shitless

There **(A7)**ain't half been some clever bastards.**(D)**

(CM7)Probably got **(Bm7)**help from their **(Am7)**mum

Who had **(G)**help from her **(D7)**mum.

There **(A7)**ain't half been some clever bas**(D)**tards.

^(3/4) **(CM7)**Now that we've **(Bm7)**had some,

Let's **(Am7)**hope that there's **(G)**lots more to **(D7)**come. ^(4/4)

(instrumental – verse chords)

(chorus)

(D+)(G) Okey-dokey **(D7)** Oh!

(C)(D7) Segovia **(G)(E7)(A7)(D7)**

(G) Da-laa la-laa da-daa **(D7)**da-lee ,

(C) De dump di **(D7)** dump, de dump-dump-diddle **(G)** lum-lee.

There **(A7)**ain't half been some clever bastards

(D)(Lucky bleeders, lucky bleeders) **(x3)**

There **(A7)**ain't half been some clever **(D)**...**(G)** bastards

