

# WHAT'S HAPPENING BROTHER

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♩ = 97

Am<sup>9</sup>

Measures 1-4 of the bass line. The key signature has one flat (Bb). The time signature is 4/4. The notation includes a bass staff with eighth and sixteenth notes, and a guitar fretboard diagram below it. The fretboard diagram shows fingerings: 0 0 2 2 3, 0 0 0 2 2 3, 0 0 0 0 2 2 X 3, and 0 2 2 0 3.

5

Measures 5-8 of the bass line. The notation includes a bass staff and a guitar fretboard diagram. The fretboard diagram shows fingerings: 0 2 2 2 2 3, 0 2 2 2 2 3, and 0 2 2 2 0 3.

9

Bbm<sup>9</sup>

Measures 9-12 of the bass line. The key signature changes to two flats (Bb, Eb). The notation includes a bass staff and a guitar fretboard diagram. The fretboard diagram shows fingerings: 1 3 3 3 3 0 4, 1 1 3 3 0 4, and 1 1 3 3 1 0 1 3.

13

Dm7b<sup>5</sup>

G13b<sup>9</sup>

G7b<sup>9</sup>b<sup>13</sup>

Cm<sup>9</sup>

Measures 13-15 of the bass line. The notation includes a bass staff and a guitar fretboard diagram. The fretboard diagram shows fingerings: 0 0 5 6 7 0 3 4 0, 3 3 3 0 3 3, and 3 3 5 3 5 3 5.

16

Fsus

F<sup>9</sup>

Fm<sup>9</sup>

Measures 16-19 of the bass line. The notation includes a bass staff and a guitar fretboard diagram. The fretboard diagram shows fingerings: 3 5 3 5 3 5 5, 3 4 5 3 3 4 5 3, 3 4 5 3 3 3, and 1 1 1 2 3 3 1.

20

Bbsus

Bb13

Bbm<sup>9</sup>

E<sup>b</sup>7b<sup>9</sup>

Abmaj<sup>7</sup>

Measures 20-23 of the bass line. The notation includes a bass staff and a guitar fretboard diagram. The fretboard diagram shows fingerings: 0 1 1 1 0 1 0, 3 3 3 3 4 3 0 1 3 3, 1 3 4 0 1 2 1 1 3, and 4 4 3 3 1 3 3.

24

Fsus

F<sup>9</sup>

Measures 24-27 of the bass line. The notation includes a bass staff and a guitar fretboard diagram. The fretboard diagram shows fingerings: 1 4 5 3 4 1 1 1, 3 3 4 5 3 3 4 5 3, and 3 4 5 3 3 3.

27 Fm<sup>9</sup> B<sup>bsus</sup> B<sup>b13</sup> B<sup>bsus</sup>

31 B<sup>bsus</sup> A<sup>bmi</sup><sup>9</sup> G<sup>mi</sup><sup>9</sup>

35 C<sup>mi</sup><sup>7</sup> F<sup>mi</sup><sup>11</sup>

38 B<sup>bsus</sup>

41 B<sup>bsus</sup> A<sup>bmi</sup><sup>9</sup> G<sup>mi</sup><sup>9</sup>

46 C<sup>mi</sup><sup>9</sup> F<sup>mi</sup><sup>7</sup> B<sup>bsus</sup> B<sup>b7</sup>

50 B<sup>bsus</sup> B<sup>b7</sup> A<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>

54

58

61

*Abm<sup>9</sup>*

63