

BALLAD OF THE EASY LIFE

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Shimmy Tempo (♩ = 96)

Macheath

Chords: Bsus4 Bm

(Spoken) "A question please: Is this what you call a living? take a tip from Mack The Kife."

p molto rit.

men - tal, just starve your - self and do a lot of
wor - thy to be a brave and sac - ri - fic - ing

simile

read - ing up in some gar - ret where the rats are
per - son. I soon found out it was - n't re - im -

F#m7

breed - ing, Should you sur - vive, it's pure - ly ac - ci -
burs - in', de - cid - ed to con - tin - ue be - ing

B7(b9)

den - tal. If that's your pleas - ure, go on, live that
earth - y. The no - ble poor are no - bly un - der -

E

p

E7 Bb7(b5)

way fed. but since I've had it up to here, I'm
And be - ing brave will bring an emp - ty

A

through. There's not a dog from here to Tim - buk -
fame. You're all a - lone with no one else to

E7 Bb7(b5)

tu would care to live that life a sin - gle
blame, you're min - gling with the great but you are

A(#5) Bm(sus4) Bm7

day. dead. So lis - ten close ly to — Mack The
Where's the per - cent - age? Ask — Mack The

Gm A F#m7(b5) D/E E7(b9)

Knife: the bulg - ing pock - et makes the eas - y
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1. A 2. A

life. Now life. _____

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