

THE FIRST NOEL

Text and Music: Traditional
English carol, ca. 17th century

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Intro *brightly* ah _____

Tenor Lead

Bari Bass

The an - gels were sing - ing in heav - ens a - bove, _____ The

ah _____

shep - herds were watch - ing with won - der and love,

sky was as bright as a

ah _____ sil - ver - y morn the

ritard

13 night that our Sav - ior was born. 14 15 Sav - ior was born. 16 The _____

was born. _____



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Verse 1

17 18 19 20

first No - el the An - gel did say Was to

Detailed description: This block contains the first system of musical notation for Verse 1, covering measures 17 through 20. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "first No - el the An - gel did say Was to".

21 22 23 24

cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields where they lay, In

Detailed description: This block contains the second system of musical notation for Verse 1, covering measures 21 through 24. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the accompaniment remains in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields where they lay, In".

25 26 27 28

fields where they lay keep - ing their sheep On a

Detailed description: This block contains the third system of musical notation for Verse 1, covering measures 25 through 28. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the accompaniment remains in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "fields where they lay keep - ing their sheep On a".

29 30 31 32

cold win - ter's night that was so deep. No -

Detailed description: This block contains the fourth system of musical notation for Verse 1, covering measures 29 through 32. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the accompaniment remains in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "cold win - ter's night that was so deep. No -".

Chorus 1

el, No - el, No - el, No - el!

Born is the King of Is - ra - el! Oh,

Interlude

Born is the King of Is - ra - el! They

Verse 2

look - ed up and saw a star Shin - ing

50 in the East 51 be - yond 52 them far, 53 And

54 to the earth 55 it gave 56 great light, 57 And

58 so it con - tin - ued 59 both day 60 and night. 61 No -

Chorus 2

62 el, 63 No - el, 64 No - el, 65 No - el!

No - el,

ritard

66 67 68 69

Born is the King of Is - ra - el! No -

Coda *ritard*

70 71 72 73

el, No - el, No - el, No - el!

Tag *slowly ritard*

74 75 76 77

Born is the King of Is - ra - el!