

I. The First Nowell

Voice and Descant Recorder I

1. The first Nowell the lay
in fields where they

Descant Recorder II

Treble Recorder ad lib.

Glockenspiel

Xylophone

Voice and Descant I

an - gel did say was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay ; deep. Now -
keep - ing their sheep, on a cold win - ter's night in that was so deep. Now -

Descant II

Treble

Glock.

Xylo.

NOTE: When treble recorders are available, all descants should play the tune.

Voice and Descant I

- ell, — Now - - ell, Now - - ell, Now - - ell, born is the King— of Is - - ra - - el.

Descant II

Treble

Glock.

Xylo.

2. They lookèd up and saw a Star,
Shining in the East, beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so, it continued both day and night.
Nowell etc.
3. And by the light of that same Star
Three wise men came from country far ;
To seek for the King was their intent,
And to follow the Star wherever it went.
Nowell, etc.
4. This Star drew nigh to the north-west,
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
And there it did both stop and stay,
Right over the place where Jesus lay.
Nowell, etc.
5. Then entered in those wise men three,
Full reverently upon their knee,
And offered there, in His presence,
Their gold, and myrrh and frankincense.
Nowell, etc.
6. Then let us all with one accord,
Sing praises to our Heavenly Lord,
That hath made heaven and earth of nought,
And with His Blood mankind has bought.
Nowell, etc.

2. In Dulci Jubilo

Voice and
 Descant Recorder I

1. In dul - ci ju - bi - lo _____ let us our hom-age show; _____ our heart's

Descant Recorder II

Treble Recorder
 ad lib.

Glockenspiel

Xylophone
 (low F \sharp for F)

Voice and
 Descant I

joy re - cli - - - neth in prea - se - pi - o, _____ and like a bright star shin - - - eth ma-tris in

Descant II

Treble

Glock.

Xyo.

The musical score consists of ten staves of music. The first five staves are for instrumental parts: Voice and Descant Recorder I, Descant Recorder II, Treble Recorder (ad lib.), Glockenspiel, and Xylophone (low F \sharp for F). The last five staves are for vocal parts: Voice and Descant I, Descant II, Treble, Glock., and Xyo. The music is in 3/4 time with a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are integrated into the vocal line, appearing below the vocal staves. The vocal parts sing in unison, while the instrumental parts provide harmonic support.

Voice and Descant I

gre - mi - o. Al - pha - es et O, Al - pha - es et O.

Descant II

Treble

Glock.

Xylo.

2. O Jesu parvule !
My heart is sore for Thee !
Hear me I beseech Thee,
Puer optimè !
My prayer let it reach Thee.
O Princeps gloriae !
Trahe me post Te ! Trahe me post Te !

3. O Patris caritas !
O Nati lenitas !
Deep were we stainèd
Per nostra crimina ;
But Thou hast for us gainèd
Coelorum gaudia.
O that we were there, O that we were there !

4. Ubi sunt gaudia
If that they be not there
Angels there are singing
Nova cantica,
Sweet bells the while aringing
In regis curia :
O that we were there, O that we were there !

3. O Little Town of Bethlehem

Voice and Descant Recorder I

1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - - hem, how still we see thee lie! A -

Descant Recorder II

Treble Recorder ad lib.

Glockenspiel

Xylophone

Triangle

Voice and Descant I

-bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by. Yet in thy dark streets shin - - - eth the

Descant II

Treble

Glock.

Xylo.

Tri.