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The First Nowell (The First Noel) Traditional

About the artist

Doctor in musicology, conductor and composer.

Compositions and arrangements from all eras, in all styles or musical genres and for any instrument or vocal training.

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About the piece



Title: The First Nowell [The First Noel]

Composer: Traditional

Arranger: Dewagtere, Bernard

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Instrumentation: Choral Sa, piano or organ or guitar

Style: Christmas - Carols

Comment: The First Nowell (also written The First Noëll) is a traditional classical English carol, most likely from the 18th century, although possibly earlier. In its current form it is of Cornish origin, and it was first published in *Carols Ancient and Modern* (1823) and *Gilbert and Sandys Carols* (1833), both of which were edited by William B. Sandys and arranged, edited and with extra lyrics written by Davies Gilbert *Hymns and Carols of God*. (Wikipedi... (more online))

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The First Nowell

Traditional English carol (18th century)

Arr. : Bernard Dewagtere

Soprano

Alto

Piano

Solo

The First Noel, the
looked up and

B m G D A7 D A7 D

3fr. 5fr. 5fr. 5fr. 5fr. 5fr.

7

S

A

An - gels did say was to cer - tain poor she - pherds in fields as they lay; In
saw a star shi - ning in the East be - yond them far; and

D G D E m D E m D A7 D

5fr. 3fr. 5fr. 5fr. 5fr. 5fr. 5fr. 5fr.

7

Pno

13

S

A

fields where they lay - keep - ing their sheep on a cold win - ter's night - that
to the earth it - grave great light and so it con - ti - nued both

B m F#m E m F#m E m D E m A

5fr. 5fr. 5fr. 5fr. 5fr. 5fr.

13

Pno

Detailed description: This is a musical score for the carol 'The First Nowell'. It is arranged for Soprano, Alto, and Piano. The score is in 3/4 time and the key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). The Soprano part is mostly silent, with a 'Solo' marking above the Alto part. The Alto part has lyrics: 'The First Noel, the looked up and'. The Piano part provides accompaniment. The score is divided into three systems. The first system covers measures 1-6. The second system covers measures 7-12. The third system covers measures 13-18. Each system includes guitar chord diagrams for the Alto part, with fret numbers (3fr., 5fr.) and fingerings (circled numbers) indicated. The lyrics are: 'An - gels did say was to cer - tain poor she - pherds in fields as they lay; In saw a star shi - ning in the East be - yond them far; and fields where they lay - keep - ing their sheep on a cold win - ter's night - that to the earth it - grave great light and so it con - ti - nued both'. The piano part includes a 'P' dynamic marking in the first system.

The First Nowell

2
19 Tutti

S
No el, No el, No el, No -

A
was so deep. No el, No - el, No - el, No
day and night.

D 5fr. A7 5fr. D 5fr. F#m D G 3fr.

Pno

24

S
el, born is the King of Is - ra - ël! They -

A
el, born is the King of Is - ra - ël!

D 5fr. A 5fr. B m E m D 5fr. A7 D 5fr. A7 D 5fr.

Pno

29

S
ë! This star drew nigh to the north - west O' - er

A
ë! This star drew night to the north - west O'er

B 7fr. E 7fr. B 7fr. F#m E A E F#m

Pno

The First Nowell

34

S Be thle - hem it took its rest; And there it

A Be thle - em it took its rest; and there it

E 7fr. F#m 7fr. E 7fr. F#m 7fr. E 7fr. B7 7fr. E 7fr.

Pno

39

S did both Pause and stay right o' - er the

A did both Pause and stay night o' - er the

F#m 4fr. G#m 4fr. F#m 4fr. G#m 4fr. F#m 7fr. E 7fr. F#m 7fr.

Pno

43

S place where Je sus lay. No el, No

A place where Je sus lay. No - el, No

E 7fr. B 7fr. E 7fr. B 7fr. E 7fr. B 7fr. E 7fr.

Pno

The First Nowell

4
47

S
el, No el, No - - - el,

A
el, No - - - el, No el,

G#m 4fr. E 7fr. A 5fr. E 7fr. B 7fr.

Pno

50

S
born is the King of Is ra -

A
born is the King of Is ra -

C#m 4fr. F#m 4fr. E 7fr. B 7 7fr. E 7fr. B 7 7fr.

Pno

rit.

53

S
ël, No Is ra - - - ël!

A
ël, No - - - Is ra - - - ël!

E 7fr. E 7fr. B 7 7fr. E 7fr.

Pno