

The First Noel

For 2-Part* and Piano

Duration: ca. 2:45

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French Carol

With quiet joy ($\text{♩} = 100$)

Piano

Part I

Part II

4

5

no breath

no breath

7

* Available separately:
3-Part Mixed, 2-Part
and ShowTrax CD

shep - herds in fields where they lay. In _____

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fields where they lay keep - ing their

fields where they lay keep - ing their

no breath

sheep on a cold win - ter night _____ that

no breath

sheep on a cold win - ter night _____ that

21

mf

was _____ so deep. No -

was _____ so deep. No - el, _____ no -

mf

19

el, no - el, _____ no - el. _____

el, no - el, no - el.

22

Born, the King of Is - ra - el.

Born is the King ____ of Is - ra - el.

29

mf

They -

29

33

look - ed - up and - saw - a

mf

33

star shin - ing in - the east - be -

36

41

mf

Star of
mf
 yond them far. And to the
 won - der, star of might.
 earth it gave great light, and
 Star with roy - al beau - ty
 so it con - tin - ued both day and
 45

49

f

bright. West - ward lead - ing,

night. No - el, no - el, no -

48

still pro - ceed - ing, guide us

el, no - el. Born is the

51

to thy per - fect light.

King of Is - ra - el.

54

mf

Then
mf

Then

57

61

en - tered in those wise men

en - tered in those wise men

61

three, full rev' - rent ly up -

three, full rev' - rent ly up -

64

The musical score consists of two staves of music for two voices. The top staff uses a treble clef and the bottom staff uses a bass clef. Both staves are in common time and have a key signature of four sharps. The music begins with a short silence followed by a melodic line. At measure 57, the bass line starts with a sustained note and a bass drum, followed by eighth-note chords. The vocal parts enter at measure 61 with the lyrics 'en - tered in those wise men'. The bass line continues with eighth-note chords. The vocal parts re-enter at measure 64 with the lyrics 'three, full rev' - rent ly up -'. The bass line continues with eighth-note chords.

69

on _____ their knee, and of - fer'd
 on their knee, and of - fer'd

67

there in His pres - ence their
 there in His pres - ence their

70

gold and myrrh, and frank - in - cense. *mf*
 gold and myrrh, and frank - in - cense. No -

73

77

mf

No - el,

no - el, no - el.

el, no - el,

no - el,

no - el.

77

f

Born the King of Is - ra - el.

f

Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

81

*mf**mp*