

The First Noel

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For SATB Choir and Keyboard

English Carol

W. Sandys' *Christmas Carols*, 1833
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(ASCAP)

Rubato, with warmth and wonder ♩ = 69-76 *p*

No - el, *p*

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(always feel in a slow 1) *mp*

1 2 3 4

No - el, *mf* Born is the

No - el, *poco rit.* No - el, *mf* No -

No - el, *poco rit.* No - el, *f*

5 6 7 8

Full orchestral accompaniment for SATB: BP1857A. SSA (BP1926) and TTB (BP1930) voicings available.

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BP1857-2

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King, No - el. *a tempo*
el, No - el The — *unis. p*

9 10 11 12

first — No - el, the — an - gels did say, Was to

13 14 15 16

(L.H. smooth and unaccented)

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

17 18 19 20

fields _____ where _ they lay _ keep - ing their sheep, On a

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

S.
el, _____ No - el, No - el, No - el!

A.
el, _____ No - el, No - el, No - el!

T. *mp*
No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el!

B. *mp*
No - el, _____ No - el, No - el, No - el!

mp *mf*

21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32

mf

Born is the King — of Is - ra - el.

mf

mp

33 34 35 36

mf

simile They — look - ed —

37 38 39 40

unis. mp

Saw a star Shin-ing in the

unis.

up and — saw — a star Shin-ing in — the

41 42 43 44

east, be - yond them far. And to the

east, be - yond them far.

45 46 47 48 *mp*

earth it gave great light, And so it con -

cresc. poco a poco

49 50 51 52

tin - ued both day and night. No -

mf *unis. mf* No -

No - el, No -

53 54 55 56 *mf*

el, No - el, *poco rit.*

el, No - el, No - el, No - el, *poco rit.*

el, No - el, No - el,

57 58 59 60

poco rit.

Born is the King — of Is - ra - el, *non rit.* *poco più mosso*

Born is the King of Is - ra - el, *non rit.* *poco più mosso*

f *non rit.* *mf cresc. poco a poco* *poco più mosso*

61 62 63 64

No - el, No - el, No -

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

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

65 66 67 68

f *poco rit.* *unis. f*

el! Then

f *poco rit.* *unis. f*

f *poco rit.*

69 70 71 72

With forward motion

let us all with one ac - cord Sing

With forward motion

f

73 74 75 76

unis.

prais - es to our heav'n - ly Lord, That

unis.

77 78 79 80

hath made heav'n and earth of naught, And

81 82 83 84

with His blood man-kind hath bought. No

poco rit.

85 86 87 88

S. *a tempo*
A. *a tempo*
T. *a tempo*
B. *a tempo*

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

89 90 91 92

Moving forward

poco rit. *f* *più forte*

Born is the King, No - el, No -

poco rit. *f* *più forte*

poco rit. *f* *più forte*

93 94 95 96

rit. *ff*

el, Born is the King, No - el!

rit. *ff*

rit. *ff*

97 98 99 100

poco rit. *p a tempo*

No - el,

poco rit. *a tempo*

poco rit. *a tempo mp*

101 102 103 104

No - el *poco rit.* Born is the *mp*

No - el, No - el, *p* *poco rit.* No - *mp*

105 106 107 108

King, *p*

el, No - el, No - *p*

109 110 111 112

rit.

el. *rit.*

mp *rit.*

113 114 115 116 117

Red.

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Break Forth, O Joyful Heart (BP1642)	SATB
Carol of Joy (BP1791)	SATB
Cradle Carol, A (BP1824)	SATB
First Noel, The (BP1857)	SATB
Friendly Beasts, The (BP1792)	SATB
Hosanna to the King (BP1771)	SATB
Hymn of Mercy (BP1765)	SATB
In Thee, Almighty King (BP1695)	SATB
King of Love My Shepherd Is, The (BP1688)	SATB
Look, Ye Saints! (BP1736)	SATB
Nearer, Still Nearer (BP1755)	SATB
Never a Brighter Star (BP1719)	SATB
Sun of My Soul (BP1605)	SATB
To Behold Thee (BP1654)	SATB