

It Don't Mean a Thing (If It Ain't Got That Swing)

Standard Key

Irving Mills

Duke Ellington

Fast Swing [Duke Ellington 1932] ($\text{♩} = 214$)

A1

G_{MII} G_{MII/F#} G_{MII/F} G_{MII/E} E_b⁷ D⁷ G_{MII}

It don't mean a thing if it ain't got that swing,

C⁷ F^{7sus} B_b⁶ D^{7(#5)}

doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah. It

A2

9 G_{MII} G_{MII/F#} G_{MII/F} G_{MII/E} E_b⁷ D⁷ G_{MII}

don't mean a thing, all you got to do is sing,

13 C⁷ F^{7sus} B_b⁶ B_b⁶

doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah. It

B

17 F_{MI}⁷ B_b⁷ E_{bMA}⁷ E_{bMA}⁷

makes no diff'rence if it's sweet or hot; Just

21 G_{MII}⁷ C⁷ F⁷ D⁷

give that rhythm ev - 'ry - thing you got. It

A3

25 G_{MII} G_{MII/F#} G_{MII/F} G_{MII/E} E_b⁷ D⁷ G_{MII}

don't mean a thing if it ain't got that swing,

29 C⁷ F^{7sus} B_b⁶ B_b⁶

doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah.