

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

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Irving Mills

Duke Ellington

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

A1

1 D_{MI} D_{MI/C#} D_{MI/C} D_{MI/B} B_b⁷ A⁷ D_{MI}
It don't mean a thing if it ain't got that swing,

5 G⁷ C^{7sus} F⁶ A^{7(#5)}
doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah.

It

A2

9 D_{MI} D_{MI/C#} D_{MI/C} D_{MI/B} B_b⁷ A⁷ D_{MI}
don't mean a thing, all you got to do is sing,

13 G⁷ C^{7sus} F⁶ F⁶
doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah.

It

B

17 C_{MI}⁷ F⁷ B_{bMA}⁷ B_{bMA}⁷
makes no diff'rence if it's sweet or hot; Just

21 D_{MI}⁷ G⁷ C⁷ A⁷
give that rhythm ev - 'ry - thing you got. It

A3

25 D_{MI} D_{MI/C#} D_{MI/C} D_{MI/B} B_b⁷ A⁷ D_{MI}
don't mean a thing if it ain't got that swing,

29 G⁷ C^{7sus} F⁶ F⁶
doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah, doo wah.