

# River

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*mp* *mf* *mp* *mp*

**Tenor 1**  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa

**Tenor 2**  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa

**Bass 1**  
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa

**Bass 2**  
pam pa pa pam pa pa pam pa pa pam pa pa

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**T1**  
da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa

**T2**  
da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa

**B1**  
da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da pa pa pa pa pa

**B2**  
dam pa pa pam pa pa pam pa pa pam pa pa dam pa pa pam pa pa

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T1  
8  
way on But it don't snow here stays pret - ty green. I'm gon - na

T2  
8  
way on it don't snow here stays pret - ty green.

B1  
8  
way on it don't snow here stays pret - ty green.

B2  
8  
way on it don't snow here stays pret - ty green.

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T1  
8  
make a lot of mon - ey, then I'm gon - na quit this cra - zy scene

T2  
8  
make a lot of mon - ey, then I'm gon - na quit this cra - zy scene

B1  
8  
make a lot of mon - ey, then I'm gon - na quit this cra - zy scene

B2  
8  
make a lot of mon - ey, then I'm gon - na quit this cra - zy scene

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T1  
8  
I wish I had a riv - er I could skate a - way on I

T2  
8  
I wish I had a riv - er I could skate a - way on I

B1  
8  
I wish I had a riv - er I could skate a - way on I

B2  
8  
I wish I had a riv - er I could skate a - way on I

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T1  
made my\_ ba - by\_ cry\_

T2  
made my\_ ba - by\_ cry\_

B1  
oo oo doo doo doo\_ doo\_

B2  
oo dum din din dum\_ din din dum din din dum\_ din din

*mf legato*

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T1  
din din din din din din din din din doo doo\_

T2  
din din din din din din din din din doo doo\_

B1  
doo doo\_ doo doo\_ doo\_ doo doo\_

B2  
dum din din dum\_ din din dum din din dum\_ din din

*p*

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T1  
doo\_ He tried hard to help me, you know he put me at ease. And he

T2  
doo\_ tried hard to help me, put me at ease.

B1  
tried hard to help me, put me at ease.

B2  
dum din din dum\_ tried hard to help me, put me at ease.

*mp*

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T1 Oh, I wish I had a riv - er\_\_\_ I could\_ skate a - way\_\_\_ on\_\_\_\_\_ I

T2 Oh, I wish I had a riv - er\_\_\_ I could\_ skate a - way\_\_\_ on\_\_\_\_\_ I

B1 Oh, I wish I had a riv - er\_\_\_ I could\_ skate a - way\_\_\_ on\_\_\_\_\_ I

B2 Oh, I wish I had a riv - er\_\_\_ I could\_ skate a - way on\_\_\_\_\_ I

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T1 wish I had a riv - er so\_\_\_ long\_\_\_\_\_ I would teach my feet to\_\_\_

T2 wish I had a riv - er so\_\_\_ long\_\_\_\_\_ I would teach my feet to\_\_\_

B1 wish I had a riv - er so\_\_\_ long\_\_\_\_\_ I would teach my feet to\_\_\_

B2 wish I had a riv - er so\_\_\_ long\_\_\_\_\_ I could reach my feet to\_\_\_

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T1 fly\_\_\_\_\_ Oh,\_\_\_ I

T2 fly\_\_\_\_\_

B1 fly\_\_\_\_\_

B2 fly\_\_\_\_\_

75

T1 *mp* It's com - in' on\_\_ Christ - mas, they're

T2 *mp* com - in' on\_\_ Christ-mas,

B1 *mp* doo doo doo com - in' on\_\_ Christ-mas,

B2 *mp* dum din din dum\_\_ din din dum din din dum\_\_ com - in' on\_\_ Christ-mas,

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T1 cut - tin' down. trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing songs of\_\_ joy\_\_ and peace.

T2 cut - tin' down. trees. put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing songs of\_\_ joy\_\_ and peace.

B1 cut - tin' down. trees. put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing songs of\_\_ joy\_\_ and peace.

B2 cut - tin' down. trees. put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing songs of\_\_ joy\_\_ and peace.

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T1 Oh, I wish I had a riv - er\_\_ I could\_\_ skate *no breath* a - way

T2 Oh, I wish I had a riv - er\_\_ I could\_\_ skate *no breath* a - way

B1 Oh, I wish I had a riv - er\_\_ I could\_\_ skate *no breath* a - way

B2 Oh, I wish I had a riv - er\_\_ I could\_\_ skate\_\_ dum din din dum\_\_ din din