

River

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DEMO

REHEARSAL MARK

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repeat ad lib. *mp*

Soprano 1
pa pa pa pa pa pa

Soprano 2
pa pa pa pa pa pa

Mezzo-Soprano
pa pa pa pa pa pa

Mezzo-Soprano
mp
din din din din din din

Alto 1
mp
din din din din din din

Alto 2
mp
din din din din din din

din din din din din din din din din

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rubato

11 *mp*

S1
com - in' on__ Christ - mas, they're cut - tin' down trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing

S2
com - in' on__ Christ - mas, they're cut - tin' down trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing

M1
com - in' on__ Christ - mas, they're cut - tin' down trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing

M2
com - in' on__ Christ - mas, they're cut - tin' down trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing

A1
com - in' on__ Christ - mas, they're cut - tin' down trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing

A2
com - in' on__ Christ - mas, they're cut - tin' down trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing

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S1
songs of__ joy__ and peace... Oh, I wish I had a riv - er__ I could__ skate a -

S2
songs of__ joy__ and peace... Oh, I wish I had a riv - er__ I could__ skate a -

M1
songs of__ joy__ and peace... Oh, I wish I had a riv - er__ I could__ skate a -

M2
songs of__ joy__ and peace... Oh, I wish I had a riv - er__ I could__ skate a -

A1
songs of__ joy__ and peace... Oh, I wish I had a riv - er__ I could__ skate a -

A2
songs of__ joy__ and peace... Oh, I wish I had a riv - er__ I could__ skate a -

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S1
— this cra - zy — scene — I wish I had a riv - er — I could — skate — a -

S2
— this cra - zy — scene — I wish I had a riv - er — I could — skate — a -

M1
— this cra - zy — scene — I wish I had a riv - er — I could — skate — a -

M2
— this cra - zy — scene — I wish I had a riv - er — I could — skate — a -

A1
— this cra - zy — scene — I wish I had a riv - er — I could — skate — a -

A2
— this cra - zy — scene — I wish I had a riv - er — I could — skate — a -

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S1
way — on — I wish I had a riv - er so — long — I would

S2
way — on — I wish I had a riv - er so — long — I would

M1
way — on — I wish I had a riv - er so — long — I would

M2
way — on — I wish I had a riv - er so — long — I would

A1
way — on — I wish I had a riv - er so — long — I would

A2
way — on — I wish I had a riv - er so — long — I would

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S1 I made my_ ba - by_ cry_

S2 *mf legato* doo doo doo_ doo_

M1 I made my_ ba - by_ cry_

M2 din_ oo din din din din

A1 din_ oo din din din din

A2 din_ oo din din din din_ din din du du

40

S1 *mp* He

S2 doo doo_ doo doo_ doo_ doo doo_ *mp* He

M1 *mp* He

M2 din din din din din din din din_ *mp* He

A1 din din din din din din din_ din_ *mp* He

A2 din din din din_ din din din din din_ din din_ *mp* He

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S1
way on I'm so hard to hand - le, I'm

S2
way on I'm so hard to hand - le, I'm

M1
way on I'm so hard to hand - le, I'm

M2
way on I'm so hard to hand - le, I'm

A1
way on I'm so hard to hand - le, I'm

A2
way on I'm so hard to hand - le, I'm

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S1
self - ish and I'm sad, now I've gone and lost the best ba - by that I _____ ev - er had _____

S2
self - ish and I'm sad, now I've gone and lost the best ba - by that I _____ ev - er had _____

M1
self - ish and I'm sad, now I've gone and lost the best ba - by that I _____ ev - er had _____

M2
self - ish and I'm sad, now I've gone and lost the best ba - by that I _____ ev - er had _____

A1
self - ish and I'm sad, now I've gone and lost the best. ba - by that I _____ ev - er had _____

A2
self - ish and I'm sad, now I've gone and lost the best. ba - by that I _____ ev - er had _____

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S1 fly

S2 fly

M1 fly

M2 fly

A1 fly din din din din din din din din

A2 fly din din din din din din din din

67

S1 Oh, I wish I had a riv - er, I could skate a - way

S2

M1 oo oo

M2 oo oo

A1 oo oo

A2 oo oo

77 *mp* *rubato*

S1 It's com - in' on___ Christ - mas, they're

S2 doo doo doo___ It's com - in' on___ Christ - mas, they're

M1 din___ din___ It's com - in' on___ Christ - mas, they're

M2 din din din din___ It's com - in' on___ Christ - mas, they're

A1 din din din___ din___ It's com - in' on___ Christ - mas, they're

A2 din din din din___ din___ It's com - in' on___ Christ - mas, they're

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S1 cut - tin' down. trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing songs of___ joy___ and peace...

S2 cut - tin' down. trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing songs of___ joy___ and peace...

M1 cut - tin' down. trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing songs of___ joy___ and peace...

M2 cut - tin' down. trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing songs of___ joy___ and peace...

A1 cut - tin' down trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing songs of___ joy___ and peace...

A2 cut - tin' down trees. They're put - tin' up rein - deer and sing - ing songs of___ joy___ and peace...

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S1
da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da

S2
din din din din din din din din din

M1
da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da

M2
din din din din din din din din din

A1
da pa pa pa pa pa pa pa da

A2
— din din din din din din din din din din din du du

repeat as often as possible on one breath, *al niente*.
All singers sing independantly, without tempo,
choose a notelength you like.
It should sound like churchbells in the distance.

96 *decresc. e rall.*

S1
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa dam

S2
din din din din din din din dam

M1 *decresc. e rall.*
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa dam

M2
din din din din din din din dam

A1 *decresc. e rall.*
pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa dam

A2
din din din din din din da dam