

# The First Noel

For SATB Choir and Keyboard

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English Carol

W. Sandys' *Christmas Carols*, 1833  
Arranged by DAN FORREST  
(ASCAP)

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

No - el,

Rubato, with warmth and wonder ♩ = 69-76

(always feel in a slow 1)  
*mp*

1 2 3 4

No - el, Born is the  
No - el, No - el, No -

*poco rit.* *mf*

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

*poco rit.* *f*

5 6 7 8

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

9 10 11 12

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

*mp* *simile*

*p*

13 14 15 16

(L.H. smooth and unaccented)

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

17 18 19 20

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

*mp*

21 22 23 24

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

*mp*

25 26 27 28

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*

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 -

49 50 51 52

*cresc. poco a poco*

tin - ued both day and night. No - el, No -

53 54 55 56

*mf*

*unis. mf*

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

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

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

57 58 59 60

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*

Born is the King of Is - ra - el, No -

*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 -

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

*Red.* \*

**With forward motion**

let us all with one accord 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.* **f**

85 86 87 88

S. *a tempo*  
el, No - el, No - el, No - el!

A. *a tempo*  
el, No - el, No - el, No - el!

T. **f** *a tempo*  
No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el!

B. **f** *a tempo*  
No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el!

**f** *a tempo*

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*

No - el, No -

105 106 107 108

King, *p*

el, No - el, No - *p*

el, *p*

109 110 111 112

*rit.*

el. *rit.*

*mp* *rit.*

113 114 115 116 117