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String Hosanna! and Percussion!



- percussion join recorders
and violins in
the school assembly

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a selection of favourites, old and new,
with specially written parts to involve
beginners from the very first term.

Preface to the 1994 edition

This set of percussion parts, and the accompanying cassette tape to "String Hosanna", have been specially planned for ease of use by non-specialist music teachers. The parts themselves make musical sense, they have shape and variety, and above all they should prove fun to perform.

At first glance, looking at a "score" with all the parts set out one beneath the other can be intimidating; but later you should soon see a fairly simple pattern emerging.

In fact, on many occasions individual parts have their own "ostinato" - a little pattern which is repeated over and over. These ostinato patterns have been highlighted to help you see how the music is assembled. These are the basic ingredients of the piece, and the score is the recipe showing when to add them! *Lord of the Dance* opposite has a castanet or claves two-bar rhythm for the verse, and then for the chorus another two-bar pattern with tambourine and cymbal added.

When first listening to the tape and score reading, start by just following one part or rhythm, then focus on another and gradually build up an image of how the various elements fit together.

Some songs have very simple accompaniments, just a single instrument with a single ostinato pattern.

Other pieces require two alternating instruments, and finally come those that use combinations of instruments and different ostinati.

The instrumentation is as varied as possible, ranging from one appearance for the cowbell and guiro up to eight or nine for drums, triangle and cymbals. For the tuned percussion parts, suggestions are made; but obviously use what is to hand. These parts range from using a single note, or for two people with two notes each, up to a few (not too demanding) melodic flourishes. They are listed below.

There is a separate book available which contains all the violin parts, and also the melody line for pieces one to sixteen. In this percussion score, the melody line is again included for pieces one to sixteen, and then for the later copyright works, the violin part instead. A full index appears on the back cover, which also indicates a selection of publications in which all the songs appear, and in the same key.

This selection has been carefully made so as not to infringe other people's copyright; but if this has happened inadvertently credit will be given in any further printing and the appropriate licences paid.

All the violin and percussion parts are my own, as are all the performances on the accompanying cassette tape. There are no restrictions on their non-commercial use within schools; and schools should feel free to photocopy individual pages of this percussion book and then highlight children's own lines as necessary.

Kerry Milan. October 1994.

tuned percussion requirements:

Jesus' Hands are Kind Hands	F# G and A B	A House is a House for Me	D E F# G A B
Daisies are our Silver	A B and C' D'	Thank You for my Friends	E F and C G C'
For the Beauty of the Earth	B C and D' E'	Who put the Colours in the Rainbow?	E F# and G A
All Creatures of our God and King	D A D'	The Wise Man and the Foolish Man	C D E F G A BbC
Give Me Oil in my Lamp	D E F# A	Try Again	C'D'
Morning has Broken	D'	He Made Me	E F G A B C' D'
Tell Me the Stories of Jesus	D E F	Have You Heard the Raindrops?	F
The Sun that Shines across the Sea	D E F# G A B C' D'	I'm Going to Paint a Perfect Picture	C D E F G A B C' D' E'

Preface to the 2002 edition

Because of copyright considerations, the melody parts to numbers 17 - 26 are not shown here, nor are they included in the performances. The melodies to numbers 1 - 16 are included, and a full version of these pieces can be heard by simply clicking on the [song's title](#).

In addition, clicking on the name of an [individual instrument](#) will trigger a one-verse performance of that instrument.

A third alternative is to click the recorder symbol alongside these pieces, which gives a performance of all the percussion, plus the recorder.



For those songs where the melody is not included (17 - 26), again the individual instruments can usually be heard separately, and also together by clicking on the percussion symbol:



A third alternative here is a version without the melody; but including the violin part:



Have fun.

KEM.

Simple Things / Lord of the Dance

Simple Things has one verse.
Lord of the Dance has four verses.



4/4

castanets (or claves)

4/4

CHORUS

tambourine

cymbal

Jesus' Hands were Kind Hands



2 verses

tambourine

Kum Ba Yah, my Lord



4 verses



Spirit of God



2 verses

Fine

Musical score for tambourine and drum. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is for the tambourine, indicated by a small square icon. The bottom staff is for the drum, indicated by a small circle icon. Both staves are in 3/4 time, key signature of one sharp. The tambourine part features eighth-note patterns, with a section highlighted in light blue. The drum part features quarter-note patterns. The score concludes with a repeat sign and two endings. The first ending ends with a 'Fine' instruction, and the second ending ends with another 'Fine' instruction.

Musical score for the first section of the piece. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is for the piano and the bottom staff is for the cello. The key signature is one sharp, indicating G major. The time signature is common time (indicated by a 'C'). The score includes several measures of piano music, followed by a measure of cello music. A dynamic instruction 'cymbal (soft stick)' is placed above the cello staff. The score concludes with three endings, each labeled 'D.C. al Fine'. The first ending starts with a piano dynamic, the second ending starts with a cello dynamic, and the third ending starts with a piano dynamic.



Can You Count the Stars?

J. Lloyd Williams (1855-1928)

2 verses

triangle

Indian bells

A musical score page showing measures 11 and 12 of the first movement of Beethoven's Violin Concerto. The score consists of five staves. The top two staves are for the Violin (indicated by a violin bow icon) and the Flute/Oboe (indicated by a flute icon). The bottom three staves are for the Bassoon (indicated by a bassoon icon), Clarinet (indicated by a clarinet icon), and Cello/Bass (indicated by a cello/bass icon). The key signature is one sharp (D major). Measure 11 starts with eighth-note patterns in the Violin and Flute/Oboe staves. Measure 12 begins with a sustained note in the Bassoon staff, followed by eighth-note patterns in the Violin, Flute/Oboe, Clarinet, and Cello/Bass staves.

God Who Made the Earth



3 verses

A musical score for a cabasa and a guitar. The top staff shows a melody in G major with a key signature of one sharp. The bottom staff shows a rhythmic pattern for the cabasa, consisting of eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note pairs. The cabasa part starts with a grace note followed by a sixteenth note, then pairs of eighth notes, and so on. The guitar part consists of eighth-note pairs.

Daisies are our Silver



K.G. Finlay (1882-1974)

4 verses

For the Beauty of the Earth



This works well with the drum playing throughout; but if there are beginner cellists available they could play the open D string notes where indicated.

4 verses



When a Knight won his Spurs

Trad. Collected by C. Sharp (1859-1924)

3 verses

cymbal
wood blocks



All Creatures of our God and King

4 verses

pizz. cello D or drum
chime bars or glock.

Give Me Joy in my Heart Give Me Oil in my Lamp



4 verses

Morning has Broken



3 verses

Gaelic Folk Melody



All Night, All Day



2 verses

American Spiritual

shaker

Fine

Fine

cabasa
(or sandpaper blocks)

D.C. al Fine

D.C. al Fine

God is Love



4 verses

side drum

cymbals

side drum

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus



3 verses

Musical notation for three staves. The top staff is in G major, 6/8 time. The middle staff has a tambourine icon and is in common time. The bottom staff is in G major, 6/8 time.

The Sun that shines
across the Sea.



1 verse

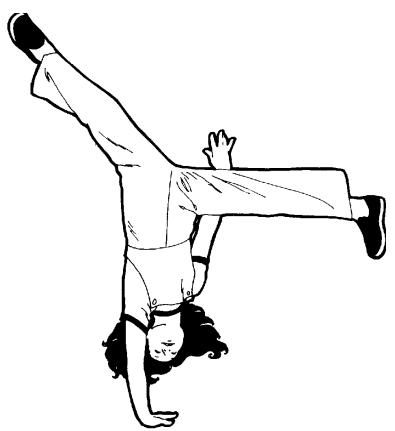
Musical notation for two staves. The top staff is in G major, 4/4 time. The bottom staff is in G major, 4/4 time. A glockenspiel icon is shown on the first staff.

J've Got a Body

Use line one for the chorus, and then again for the beginning of each verse.

Use line two for the "action" section of the verses, once, twice or three times as necessary. Use line one again for the chorus.

If violinists can keep alternating between plucking and bowing, this should add to the fun!



A musical score page showing five staves. The top staff is labeled "pizz strings" and has a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps, and common time. The second staff is labeled "drum" and has a bass clef. The third staff is labeled "wood blocks" and has a bass clef. The fourth staff is labeled "cow bell" and has a bass clef. The bottom staff is labeled "chime bars" and has a treble clef. Each staff has a measure number "1" at the beginning. The "drum" staff contains vertical stems with horizontal dashes. The "wood blocks" staff contains vertical stems with horizontal dashes and some short horizontal strokes. The "cow bell" staff contains vertical stems with horizontal dashes. The "chime bars" staff contains vertical stems with horizontal dashes. There are vertical bar lines dividing the measures. The page ends with three "Fine" markings.

arco

cymbal

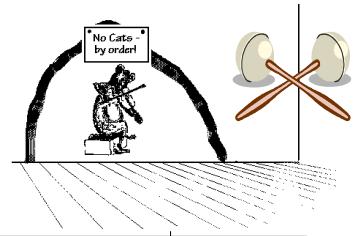
wood blocks

cow bell

D.C. al Fine



A House is a House for Me



6 verses

4 pizz strings
(tenor recorders)

triangle

xylophone [chime bars] [glock.]

claves

2

2

2

3/4 time signature, 4 measures per section.

Instrumentation: Pizzicato strings (tenor recorders), triangle, xylophone (chime bars/glock.), claves.



Paint Box

3 verses

intro.

violins (bowed)

verse

drum

shaker

4/4 time signature, 4 measures per section.

Instrumentation: Drums, shakers.

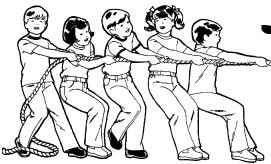
chorus

guiro

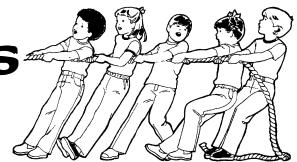
triangle

4/4 time signature, 4 measures per section.

Instrumentation: Guiro, triangle.



Thank You for my Friends



4 verses violins

pizz arco

Musical score for 'Thank You for my Friends' featuring four staves:

- Violins:** Playing pizzicato (pizz) and arco.
- Chime bars:** Playing sustained notes.
- Xylophone:** Playing sustained notes.
- Clapping:** Indicated by '(clap, clap)' with a stick figure icon.

Musical score for 'Thank You for my Friends' featuring four staves:

- Violins:** Playing pizzicato (pizz) and arco.
- Chime bars:** Playing sustained notes.
- Xylophone:** Playing sustained notes.
- Clapping:** Indicated by '(clap, clap)' with a stick figure icon.



Who Put the Colours in the Rainbow?



violins

2 verses

tambourine

chime bars

Musical score for 'Who Put the Colours in the Rainbow?' featuring three staves:

- Violins:** Playing eighth-note patterns.
- Tambourine:** Playing eighth-note patterns.
- Chime bars:** Playing sustained notes.

triangle

Musical score for 'Who Put the Colours in the Rainbow?' featuring three staves:

- Violins:** Playing eighth-note patterns.
- Tambourine:** Playing eighth-note patterns.
- Triangle:** Playing eighth-note patterns.



The Wise Man and the Foolish Man

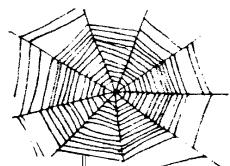


2 verses

violins

verse 1: claves
verse 2: shakers (or sandpaper blocks)
xylophone

pizz. violins



Try Again



3 verses
D.C. for Chorus

pizz. violins
chorus: triangle
verse: cymbal
xylophone
D.C. for Chorus
D.C. for Chorus



He Made Me



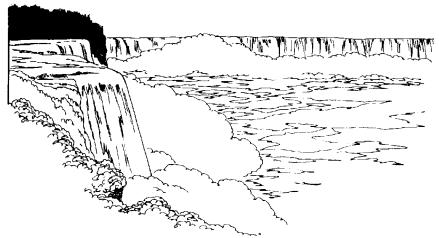
3 verses

violins

chime bars



Have You Heard the Raindrops?



3 verses

Verse violins pizz arco

claves

Indian finger bells

glock

claves

Indian finger bells

claves

chorus



J'm Going to Paint

3 verses

chorus violins

tambourine

chime bars

4th time to Coda

4th time to Coda

4th time to Coda

Verse

triangle

tambourine

Coda

Coda

Coda

Coda



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