

THE JUMBLIES

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for unaccompanied singers
(or with piano)

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$\text{♩} = 88$
mf

S
1. They went to sea in a sieve, they did _____ in a sieve they went to sea: _____ In

A
1. They went to sea in a sieve, in a sieve they went to sea, to sea. In

T
1. They went to sea in a sieve, in a sieve they went _____ to sea, to sea: In

B
1. They went to sea in a sieve, in a sieve they went _____ to sea, to sea: In

Piano
for rehearsal
mf

[5]

S
spite of all their friends could say, on a win-ter's morn, on a stor-my day, In a sieve they went to sea! _____ And *mp*

A
spite of all their friends could say, In a sieve they went to sea, to sea! And *mp*

T
spite of all their friends could say, In a sieve they went _____ to sea, to sea! And *mp*

B
spite of all their friends could say, In a sieve they went _____ to sea, to sea! And *mp*

Piano
mp

[9]

S
when the sieve turn'd round and round, _____ and ev'-ry one cried "You'll all be drown'd, all be drown'd!" *f*

A
when the sieve turn'd round and round, _____ and ev'-ry one cried "You'll all be drown'd, all be drown'd!" *f*

T
when the sieve turn'd round and round, _____ turn'd round and round, and ev'-ry one cried "You'll all be drown'd, all be drown'd!" *f*

B
when the sieve turn'd round, turn'd round and round, and ev'-ry one cried "You'll all be drown'd, all be drown'd!" *f*

Piano
f

13

mp They called, they called a-loud, *f* "Our sieve ain't big, but we don't care a but-ton, we don't care a fig! In a

mp They called a-loud, *f* "Our sieve ain't big. Ah In a

mp They called a-loud, *f* "Our sieve ain't big. Ah In a

mp They called a-loud, Ah, Ah In a

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sieve we'll go to sea." Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

sieve we'll go to sea." Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

sieve we'll go to sea." Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

sieve we'll go to sea." Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

mp $\text{♩} = 170$

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Jumb-lies live; Their heads are green, and their hands are blue, And they went to sea in a sieve.

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4:3

27 *p*

2. They sailed a - way, _____ in a sieve they sailed so fast, sailed so fast,

2. They sailed a - way, _____ in a sieve they sailed so fast, sailed so fast.

f

2. They sailed a - way in a sieve, they did, _____ in a sieve _____ they sailed so fast, _____ With

p

2. They sailed a - way, _____ in a sieve they sailed so fast, sailed so fast,

31 *pp* *p*

Ooh _____ Ooh _____ And *p*

pp *p*

Ooh _____ Ooh _____ And *p*

pp *p*

on - ly a-beau-ti-ful pea green veil tied by a rib-and by way of a sail, to a small _____ to-bac-co pipe mast; And *p*

Ooh _____ Ooh _____ And

35 *mf*

ever-y one said, _____ who saw them go, "O won't they be soon up - set, you know! _____

mf *mf*

ever-y one said, _____ who saw them go, "O won't they be soon up - set, you know! _____

mf *mf*

ever-y one said, who saw them go, _____ who saw them go, "O won't they be soon up - set, you know, _____

mf *mf*

ever-y one said, who saw them go, _____ who saw them go, "O won't they be soon up - set, you know, _____

38

pp *cresc.* *mf* *cresc.*

For the sky is dark, and the voy-age is long, and hap-pen what may it's ex-treme-ly wrong in a

pp *cresc.* *mf* *cresc.*

For the sky is dark, and the voy-age is long, and hap-pen what may it's ex-treme-ly wrong in a

pp *cresc.* *mf* *cresc.*

you know! For the sky is dark, and the voy-age is long, and hap-pen what may it's ex-treme-ly wrong in a

pp *cresc.* *mf* *cresc.*

you know! For the sky is dark, and the voy-age is long, and hap-pen what may it's ex-treme-ly wrong in a

42

f *p*

sieve to sail so fast!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

f *p*

sieve to sail so fast, so fast!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

f *p*

sieve to sail so fast, so fast!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

f *p*

sieve to sail so fast!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

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4:3

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52 **Faster** ♩ = 96
p Legato

3. Ooh - - - - -

3. Ooh *p*

3. Ooh *p*

3. Ooh *p*

Legato

p

solo

57

S
A

solo *mf*

The wa - ter it soon came in, it did, The wa - ter it soon came in; so to keep them

62

dry, to keep them. dry they wrapped their feet In a pin-ky pa-per all fol -ded neat, And they fast-ened it down with a pin.

3 3

67

And they spent all night in a crock-er - y jar, And each of them said,

73

rit. **f** **Tempo I** ♩ = 66

f **tutti**

How wise we are! How wise we are, we are, How

How wise we are! **f** How wise we are, we are, How

How wise we are, how wise we are, how wise we are, we

How wise we are, how wise we are, how wise we are, we

77

pp *cresc.* **mf** *cresc.*

wise we are! Though the sky be dark, and the voy-age be long, Yet we ne-ver can think we were rash or wrong while

pp *cresc.* **mf** *cresc.*

wise we are! Though the sky be dark, and the voy-age be long, Yet we ne-ver can think we were rash or wrong while

pp *cresc.* **mf** *cresc.*

are! Though the sky be dark, and the voy-age be long, Yet we ne-ver can think we were rash or wrong while

pp *cresc.* **mf** *cresc.*

are! Though the sky be dark, and the voy-age be long, Yet we ne-ver can think we were rash or wrong while

81

round in our sieve we spin!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

round in our sieve we spin!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

round in our sieve we spin!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

round in our sieve we spin!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

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91 (free time)

4. Mm.. Mm..

4. Mm.. solo - free time Mm..

And all night long they sailed a-way; and when the sun, the sun went

4. Mm.. Mm..

4. Mm.. Mm..

93 **a tempo** *mp* *cresc.* *sfz*

They whis-tled and war-bled a moon - ny song To the e - cho-ing sound of a cop-per-y gong,

p *mp* *cresc.* *sfz*

When the sun went down, They war-bled a moon - ny song To the e - cho-ing sound, e - cho-ing sound of a gong,

(solo) down *mp* *cresc.* *sfz*

(tutti) *p* *mp* *cresc.* *sfz*

When the sun went down, They war-bled a moon - ny song To the e - cho-ing sound, e - cho-ing sound of a gong,

p *mp* *cresc.* *sfz*

When the sun went down, They war-bled a moon - y song To the e - cho-ing sound, e - cho-ing sound of a gong,

97 *p* *f*

In the shade of the moun-tains brown. "O Tim-bal-lo! How hap-py we are, When we

p *f*

In the shade of the moun-tains brown. "O Tim-bal-lo! How hap-py we are, When we

p *f*

In the shade of the moun-tains brown. "O Tim-bal-lo! How hap-py we are, When we

p *f*

In the shade of the moun-tains brown. "O Tim-bal-lo! How hap-py we are, When we

101 *ff*

live in a sieve and a crock-er - y jar; And all night long in the

ff

live in a sieve and a crock-er - y jar; And all night long in the

ff

live in a sieve and a crock - er - y jar; And all night long

ff

live in a sieve and a crock - er - y jar; And all night long

104

moon - light pale we sail a - way with a pea green sail, In the

moon - light pale we sail a - way with a pea green sail, In the

in the moon - light pale we sail a - way with a pea green sail, In the

in the moon - light pale we sail a - way with a pea green sail, In the

ten. 7 dim. *p*

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shade of the moun-tains brown!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

shade of the moun-tains brown." Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

shade of the moun-tains brown!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

shade of the moun-tains brown!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

mp

112

Jumb-lies live; Their heads are green, and their hands are blue, And they went to sea in a sieve.

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4:3

117 *mf* land all cov-er'd with

5. They sailed to the West - ern Sea, they did, To a land all cov-er'd with trees, And they trees.

5. They sailed to the West - ern Sea, To a land all cov-er'd with trees, with trees.

5. They sailed to the West - ern Sea, To a land all cov-er'd with trees, with trees.

5. They sailed to the West - ern Sea, To a land all cov-er'd with trees,

mf

121 **a little faster** **faster**

bought an Owl, and a use - ful Cart, And a hive of silv'-ry Bees.

Ah And a hive of silv'-ry Bees.

Ah And a pound of rice, and a Cran-ber-ry Tart, And a hive of silv'-ry Bees.

Ah And a hive of silv'-ry Bees. And they

124 **slower**

And for-ty bot-tles of Ring-Bo-Ree. And no

And a love - ly Mon-key with. lol-li-pop paws. And no

And no

bought a Pig, and some green Jack-daws. And no

127

fast (as though heard enough times already)

end of Stil-ton Cheese. Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

end of Stil-ton Cheese. Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

end of Stil-ton Cheese. Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

end of Stil-ton Cheese. Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

end of Stil-ton Cheese. Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

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a tempo

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137

♩ = 88

mf

6. And in twen-ty years they all came back, in twen-ty years or more,

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6. And in twen-ty years they all came back, in twen-ty years or more,

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And ev-'ry one said "How tall they've grown, how tall they've grown! For they've been to the

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Lakes and the Tor - ri - ble Zone, And the hills of the Chank - ly Bore";

Lakes and the Tor - ri - ble Zone, And the hills of the Chank - ly Bore";

Lakes and the Tor - ri - ble Zone, And the hills of the Chank - ly Bore";

Lakes and the Tor - ri - ble Zone, And the hills of the Chank - ly Bore";

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And they drank their health, and gave them a feast of dump-ings made of

And they drank their health, and gave them a feast of dump-ings made of

And they drank their health, and gave them a feast of dump-ings made of beau - ti - ful

And they drank their health, and gave them a feast of dump-ings made of beau - ti - ful

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beau-ti-ful yeast; And ev-'ry one said, "If we on-ly live, We too will go to sea in a
 beau-ti-ful yeast; Ah, Ah, We too will go to sea in a
 yeast; And ev-'ry one said, "If we on-ly live, We too will go to sea in a
 yeast; Ah, Ah, We too will go to sea in a

157

Sieve, To the hills of the Chank-ly Bore!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the
 Sieve, To the hills of the Chank-ly Bore!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the
 Sieve, To the hills of the Chank-ly Bore!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the
 Sieve, To the hills of the Chank-ly Bore!" Far and few, far and few, Are the lands where the

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