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*n a career that has spanned more* than two decades, John Denver has earned international acclaim as a songwriter, performer, actor and humanitarian.

Henry John Deutschendorf, Jr. began his career in the 1960s as an aspiring folk musician in the clubs of Los Angeles. The son of a U.S. Air Force officer, John took his performing name from the premier Rocky Mountain city in the state where he eventually made his home.

His first major break came in the mid-'60s when he was chosen from 250 other hopefuls as lead singer for the popular Chad Mitchell Trio, with whom he sang for two years. His songwriting talents became evident when Peter, Paul and Mary recorded his "Leaving On A Jet Plane," which became their first Number One hit.

Soon after, Denver himself was zooming up the pop charts with a string of hits, including "Take Me Home, Country Roads," "Rocky Mountain High," "Sunshine On My Shoulders," "Annie's Song," "Back Home Again" and "Thank God I'm A Country Boy," and solidifying his position as one of the top pop stars of the '70s. Many of his songs tapped into the growing appreciation and concern for the environment, which has continued as a matter of major importance for Denver and for us all.

His popularity since the early '70s may be measured in record sales that few other artists have achieved, including fourteen gold and eight platinum albums in the U.S. alone. He also has many gold and platinum sales overseas, in such countries as Australia, Germany and the United Kingdom. The album John Denver's Greatest



*Hits* is still one of the largest selling albums in the history of RCA Records, with worldwide sales of over ten million copies. He is one of the top recording artists in the sales history of the music industry.

"My music and all my work stem from the conviction that people everywhere are intrinsically the same," Denver says of the universality of music. "When I write a song, I want to take the personal experience or observation that inspired it and express it in as universal a way as possible. I'm a global citizen. I think we all are—at least we've all got to start thinking that way. I want to work in whatever I do—my music, my writing, my performing, my commitments, my home and personal life—in a way that is directed towards a world in balance, a world that creates a better quality of life for all people."



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Following are John's thoughts on such memorable songs as "Leaving On A Jet Plane," "Rocky Mountain High," "Take Me Home, Country Roads," and "Sunshine On My Shoulders," as well as many others found in this anthology.

Annie's Song

"Annie's Song" is my most popular song around the world, if not the most famous. It was written after we had been through a particularly difficult time and had come together again, in many ways closer than ever before. We really felt together and much closer from the experiences we'd been through. One day I was skiing, and I'd just finished a run that was totally exhilarating. It was an incredible physical experience. I skied right down to the lift, got on the chair and was off and up the mountain again, my thighs burning and still in the process of catching my breath. I looked out at the mountains I love, and the Colorado sky was a blue color you can only see from this altitude-my favorite color, I might add. The deep green of the trees against the white of the snow, the colorful outfits the people were wearing, the sounds of the lift as it goes over each tower, and birds singing, and laughter, and the smell of the clean, fresh air out there in the wilderness-all these things were going through my mind and it was all beautiful. It filled me completely.

I began thinking about other things that are like that for me, and my first thought was of the woman I had fallen in love with again, and how she filled me so completely. Then I started thinking of other things—things in nature. And in the ten minutes it takes to go from the bottom of the Bell Mountain lift to the top, I had written "Annie's Song." I had the melody in my head, and I knew the chords on the guitar. I skied down to the bottom of the hill, raced home, picked up my guitar and played it. Noel Stookey of Peter, Paul and Mary said that sometimes he didn't feel so much like the written, but rather the instrument of that which wants to be written. That's what this felt like to me. "Annie's Song" is a song for all lovers and, in its deepest sense, a prayer to the love in us all.

Back Home Again

"Back Home Again" has to do with spending so much time on the road, and then coming home and knowing where you are and knowing that place as HOME. I remember coming home one day and sitting up in my loft, watching that storm come across the valley, hearing Annie working down in the kitchen and feeling so good, so safe and warm and at peace. I thought about what it must be like for anyone who comes back to the place that is home to them, no matter how long they've been gone, and, as always, to say it in as personal and universal way as possible and capture the feeling of that return and that peace. I couldn't have stopped the song from coming if I'd tried.

Calypso E

"Calypso" was written for my friend, Captain Jacques Yves Cousteau—a true inspiration in my life and, I'm sure, for many others-and for Madame Cousteau. I had the pleasure and privilege of meeting Captain Cousteau and spending some time on board the Calvoso as part of a television special long ago. The chorus of the song came to me in the first free moments I had on board, almost in the time it takes to say it. Then I began struggling with the verses, wanting to say all I felt about this man and his work, his ship and his crew, and the importance of the world that he opened up for us. I just couldn't find the words for it all. Finally, one day, long after leaving Calypso and after completing the television show, back home in Aspen, I just gave up and went skiing. After a couple of runs I felt this great tension come over me. I had to get back and work on the song. I jumped in the Jeep and headed home, and in the 20 minutes it took to get there I had worked out the rest of the song. This is an example I use when I tell people about being the instrument of that which wants to be written. Sometimes what you have to do is get yourself out of the way and just let it happen. I love "Calypso." It's a song of celebration and commitment to making a difference and a contribution to the quality of life on this planet. I share that commitment. It's why I sing.

The Eagle And The Hawk 🛣

"The Eagle And The Hawk" was also written for a television show. It starred Nell Newman, the daughter of Joanne Woodward and Paul Newman, and another old friend, Morley Nelson. Morley lives in Boise, Idaho, and knows more about birds of prey than any man in the world. The song came out of the experience of holding a young golden eagle on my arm, and getting a sense of the power and majesty of this bird of prey and why it has been a symbol of every civilization in the history of man. Oh, to be an eagle, to fly like an eagle.

Fly Away

"Fly Away" was written about someone whose life just hasn't come together yet—a person who is living in a space of unhappiness, unfulfillment and dissatisfaction; lost in longing for a lover; dreaming of having children, but never willing to take responsibility for the things she wants and yet not quite content in her fantasies. So, within the fantasy, she always flies away—her mind flies away but not her heart.

Follow Me

"Follow Me" is the second song of what I call my "Jet Plane Trilogy." ("Leaving On A Jet Plane" and "Goodbye Again" are the first and third.) I suppose that my greatest longing was for someone to be with—to be *with* me in all that I am called to do. At the time I wrote this song I had found Annie, but I simply couldn't afford to take her on the road with me. I believe that I knew even then that that was not what she wanted anyway. Mary Travers of Peter, Paul and Mary saw the self-centeredness of the song, thinking it sexist, and changed the last line to "take my hand and I will follow too." I'm not completely sure it's accurate in my case, and I'm afraid I'm becoming more and more self-centered. I'm still looking for someone to "take my hand and say you'll follow me."

For Baby (For Bobbie)

"For Baby (For Bobbie)" is the first song that I wrote with the Mitchell Trio, and was the first song of mine ever recorded by anyone (the Mitchell Trio, Peter, Paul and Mary, and Bobby Darin). It was written for a girl named Bobbie, who I had fallen in love with once upon a time when I was first starting out in the world and trying to do something with my music. The song fits her well and is a very accurate representation of the shape and form of our love at the time—all that it was, and all that it was n't. Mary Travers (of Peter, Paul and Mary) heard the song differently and sang it as a love song for her daughter. It's great that a song can be appreciated on different levels like that. So, it's "For Bobbie"—a love song between a man and a woman (not quite yet a man and a woman), and "For Baby"—a love song from a woman to a newborn child. How wonderful.

Goodbye Aqain 🌿

"Goodbye Again" is the third of what I called earlier "The Jet Plane Trilogy." Annie and I were living in Aspen and we were in a much better position to afford her traveling with me when she wanted to, but Annie didn't much like to travel. She didn't like the one-night stands, the pressures of so much attention, of constantly having strangers around and having to be "on" all the time. She wanted to be home with our family and friends. Consequently, "Goodbye Again" was an ongoing, frustrating, and unhappy part of our lives. I can't imagine it having been any other way, unfortunately.

How Can I Leave You Again 🖉

Maybe it should be a "Jet Plane Quartet." I wrote this song during Christmas when I was involved in filming *Oh God*. My commitment to this project was, in many ways, a contradiction to the way I was feeling about myself and my life at the time—the energy I was giving to my career was keeping me from home and my loved ones. Christmas is a very special time—for any family. I really wanted to be there and be part of putting Christmas together in our home—going out and getting our Christmas tree, helping decorate the house and just being with the family. I got home at sunset on Christmas Eve and had to leave the morning after Christmas. As I was leaving, Annie was very sad—Christmas had not been that great for us that year. And I, too, was sad, and here I was going off "in a spaceship over the mountains." At the same time I recognized that I had made a choice a long time ago to give myself completely, to take advantage of every opportunity I can, to do the work I have the opportunity to do to make a difference in this world. "I'm a sailor who *runs* to the sea."

I'd Rather Be A Cowboy (Lady's Chains)

"I'd Rather Be A Cowboy (Lady's Chains)" is another of my favorite songs. Quite honestly, I long for a simpler life. It would be very easy for me to spend more time at home, more time in the mountains. Consequently, I think of what life would be like under different circumstances. What if I had that cabin in the mountains, and it was my woman who wanted life a little closer to the fast lane? Would I—could I love her just enough to let her go? I think so.

I'm Sorry E

"I'm Sorry" looks at women and an aspect of their lives that was becoming more and more prevalant at the time the song was written. I remember seeing the cover story in both Time and Newsweek addressing the number of women who were leaving seemingly solid, committed relationships, even marriages, to create new lives for themselves. They were finding that they weren't happy, and that the things that were supposed to be the "be all and end all" of their lives were somehow not that-that. in fact, they felt incomplete and unfulfilled. Suddenly, within the women's liberation movement, they began to find the courage to say, "Well, maybe I don't have to be stuck here, and I'm going to take a step for myself and take a different look, and perhaps create a better life for myself." It was scary and dangerous thinking for many of us, and I thought about what it must be like to be the man in that situation, with or without children, when the woman really wants to take a break and get away to make her own life. Suddenly, he is forced to look at some things that he didn't take seriously before. Now, in his pain, all of the things that built up to this particular moment have a deeper meaning. Now, what else can you say?

Leaving On A Jet Plane 🖉

"Leaving On A Jet Plane" was initially called "Oh Babe I Hate To Go." Milt Okun is responsible for that title change-I shall be forever grateful to him. The song resulted from my way of life at that time. I was working with the Mitchell Trio and lived on the road. Either I stayed where the last concert was, or I'd go to the next concert city a bit early. I didn't have a home, or even a room somewhere to pile my things. Everything was in storage in California and I lived out of suitcases on the road-always leaving on a jet plane. I was terribly lonely, and I longed for someone to "hold me like you'll never let go." And somehow in my longing, I was able to express the reality of what was going on in a lot of other lives-the lives of young men and women going off to war, leaving home and family, perhaps unsure of what they were doing and not knowing if they would ever return. Isn't it funny how in the expression of your deepest feelings, you can say more than you ever imagined for someone else?



"Matthew" was written for my father's family. My grandfather Deutschendorf came to the United States when he was twelve years old. He settled in Oklahoma and raised a family there—a family of twelve children. They grew up during the Depression years, a very difficult time in what is always a most difficult life. The thing that I remembered most from our visits to the Deutschendorf farm was the family spirit, the laughter, and the faith. The epitomy of that was my Uncle Dean, who was the second youngest of Dad's brothers. I went on my first wheat harvest with Dean and learned a great deal from him. He was killed in a car accident when he was just twenty-one, and one day, thinking about him and the family, I wrote this song.

My Sweet Lady

There are songs I've written that turned out to be prophetic to a degree. This is one of those songs. I know a part of the reality occurred in my life long after I wrote the song, and I believe that some of it is yet to come true. Oh, to love like this.

Poems, Prayers And Promises

"Poems, Prayers And Promises" is one of my very favorite songs. I sometimes feel as if I wrote the song before I could possibly have known what I was talking about. And yet I'm sure I did, if only intuitively. It's a song that comes from a very mellow space of family and friends, sitting around enjoying each other and enjoying life in a way that has no time attached to it—no urgency and no frustration, no resentment and no regrets. It's a peaceful time of being together and sharing the things that you feel very deeply, that you can't share with just anybody. And yet, within the sharing, there are things that come up that can't be expressed and the sense that everyone is feeling those things, too. How wonderful life is in moments like this, when you know you are not alone.

Rocky Mountain High 🎉

"Rocky Mountain High" was written during the first summer we lived in the Rocky Mountains. I was starting to go camping and fishing, and doing other things that I'd wanted to do all my life, and in the place where I most wanted to be. Everything was new and full of possibility, and I was so happy. I found some new friends and lost an old friend—killed on my motorcycle when he and his wife were visiting us over one weekend. Within that personal framework, there was also a big controversy going on about trying to get the 1972 Winter Olympics in Colorado. One night on a camping trip to watch the Perseid meteor shower, when it was literally "raining fire in the sky," I started writing this very personal song of my rebirth.

# Sunshine On My Shoulders 🎉

"Sunshine On My Shoulders" has an interesting background. There was a movie being made at that time and I was asked to write a song for it. The movie had to do with two people who were going to die, and somehow they knew they were going to die, and the film was about how they spent their last day together. In one of the scenes they were at the beach, laughing and playing in the water, and then making love. And yet there was this overriding sense of sadness through it all. I wrote the song in Minnesota at the time I call late winter, early spring. It was a dreary day, gray and slushy. The snow was melting and it was too cold to go outside and have fun, but God, you're ready for spring. You want to get outdoors again and you're waiting for that sun to shine, and you remember how sometimes just the sun itself can make you feel good. And in that very melancholy frame of mind I wrote "Sunshine On My Shoulders."

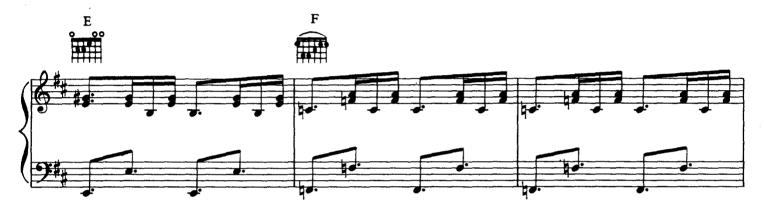
Sweet Surrender 🖉

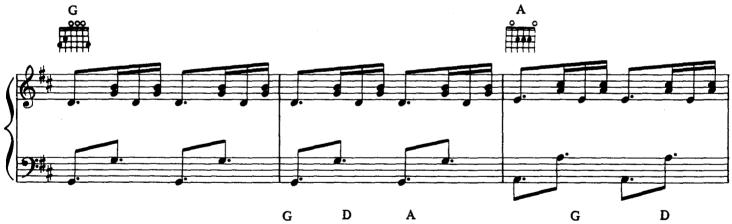
"Sweet Surrender" was written for a Walt Disney movie called The Bears And I. It is about a young Vietnam veteran coming back from the war and going up in the Northwestern woods to settle some things for his father, and for a friend who had been in the Marines and had been killed. He didn't know what he wanted to do, and he was taking some time off by himself to go honor this last request of his friend and figure out what to do with the rest of his life. I believe we are all on the same path. It takes many different forms and is found in many different places, but we're all on the same path. Joy is surrendering to what life has to offer. It's not giving up or sitting around and waiting for something to happen. It's putting yourself out there 100 percent, all that you are, and all you aspire to be. It's in reaching for the stars, and knowing that whatever you find, it's just a small part of the gift-the journey, the lessons learned, the failures and the successes. All of this is only a small part of the gift. The rest is in how it was received.

Take Me Home, Country Roads 💈

The first album that had great success for me was an album called Poems, Prayers & Promises, and the song that really made that album a sucess is one that I wrote with two friends, Bill and Taffy Danoff, from Starland Vocal Band. I met them at a place called The Cellar Door in Washington, D.C., when I was working with the Mitchell Trio and later when I started performing on my own. When I first had the opportunity to be a headliner at The Cellar Door, they asked me who I wanted for an opening act. I asked about having Bill and Taffy, who called themselves Fat City. They came and opened the shows for me. The first night we were together we went back to their place after closing, just to visit, see what was going on and enjoy being together. We had a bunch of songs we wanted to show each other. One of the songs was one they had started and were unable to complete. It was a song called "Take Me Home, Country Roads." In the wee hours of the morning, sometime between Christmas and New Year's Eve, in their basement apartment in Washington, D.C., we wrote "Take Me Home, Country Roads." It became my first Number One record.

## **American Child**

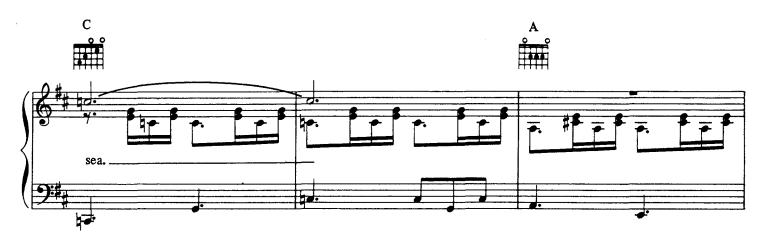


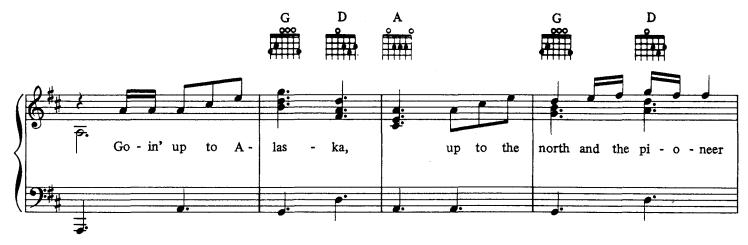


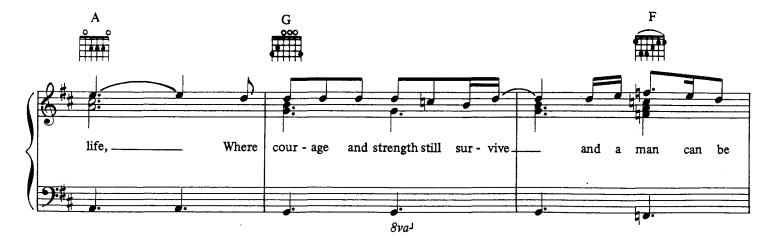


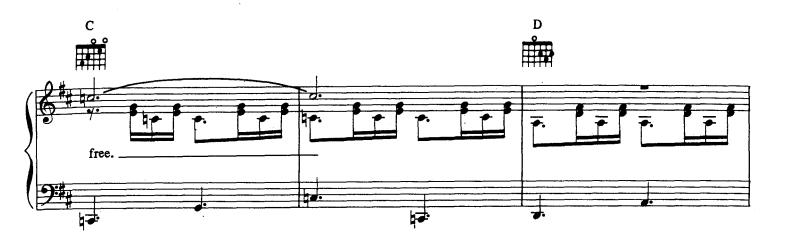
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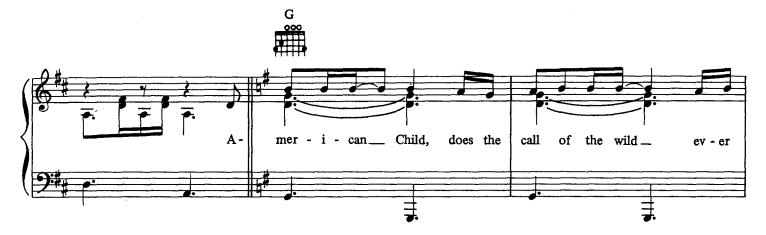


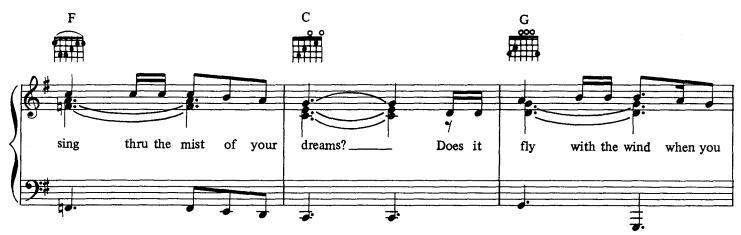


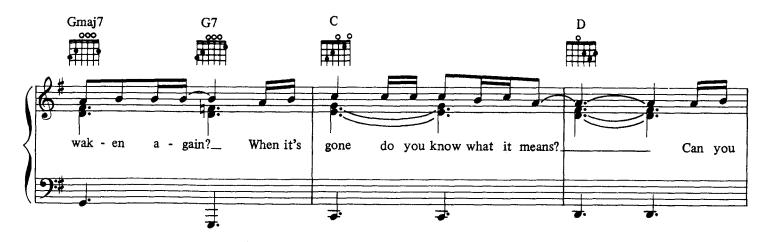


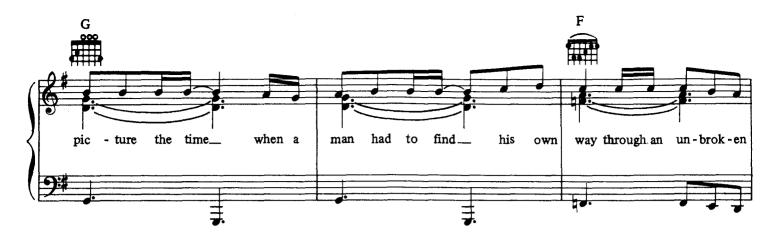


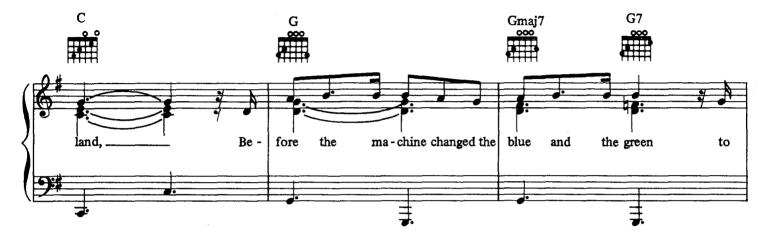


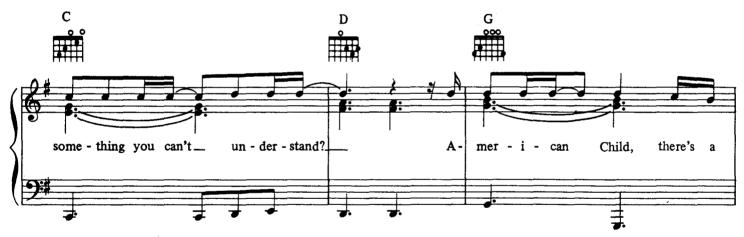


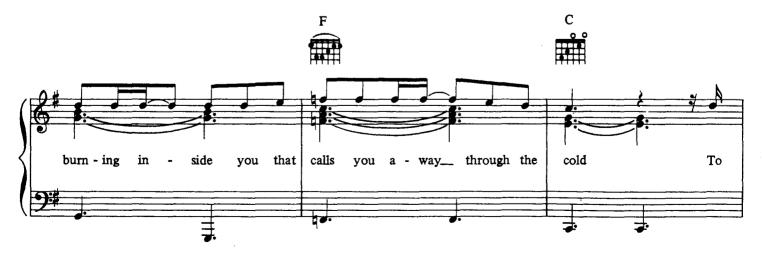




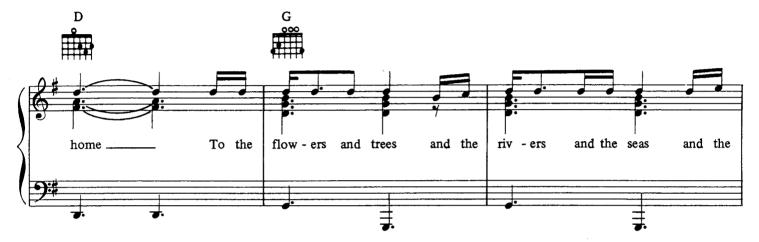


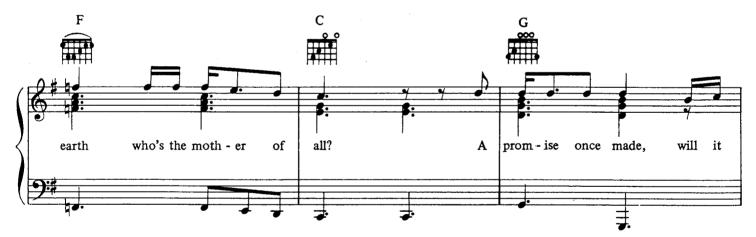


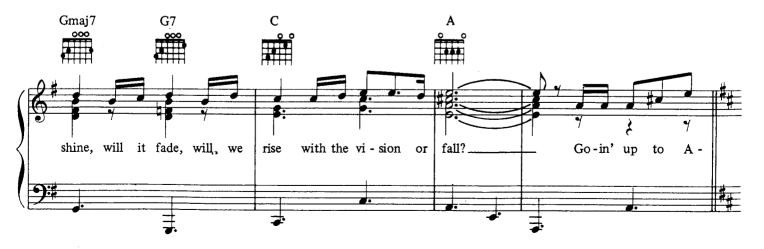


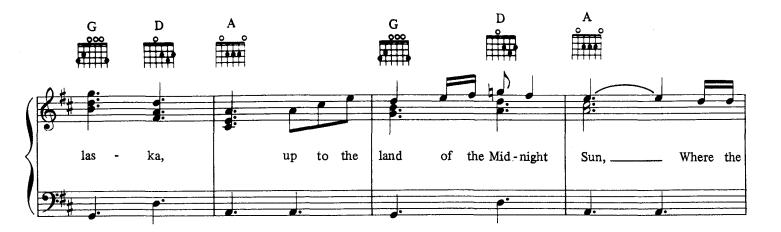


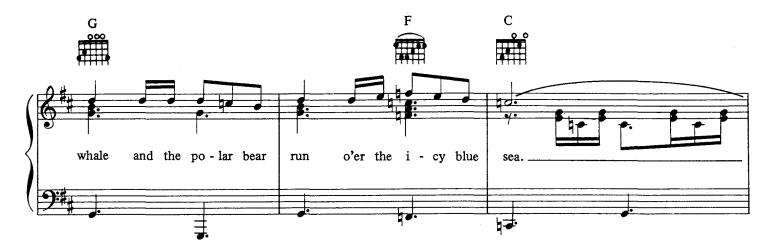


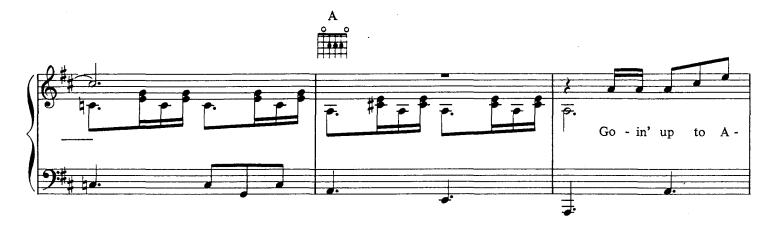


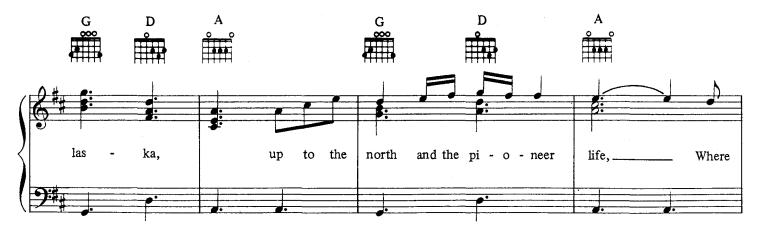


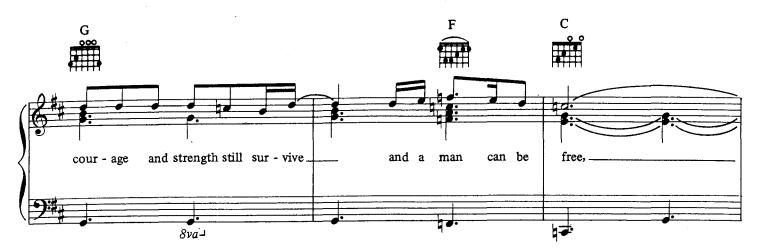


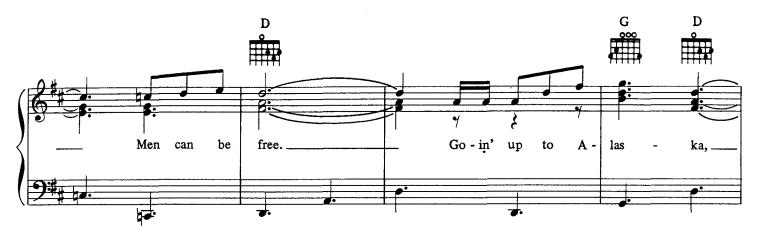


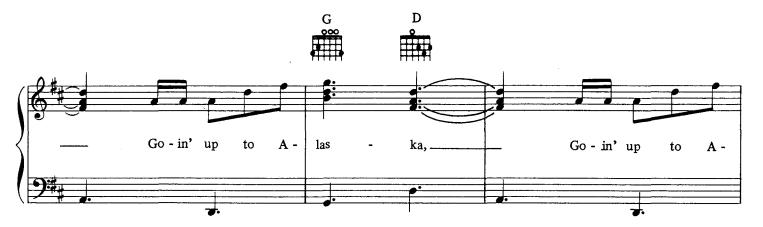


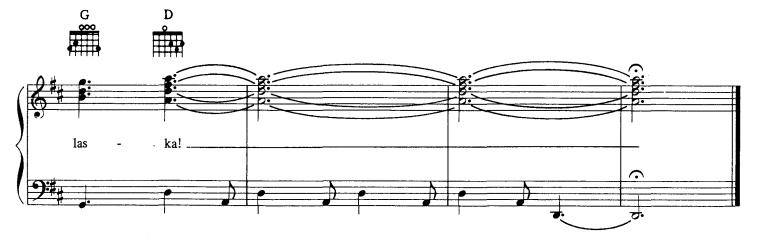








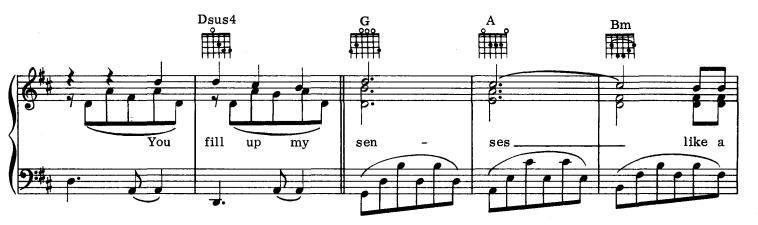


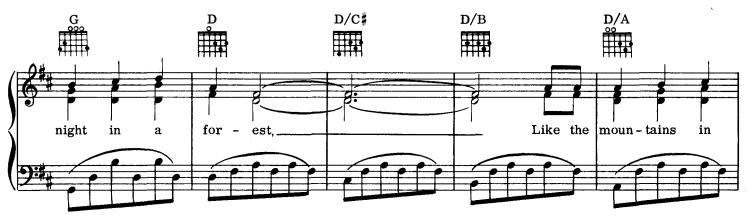


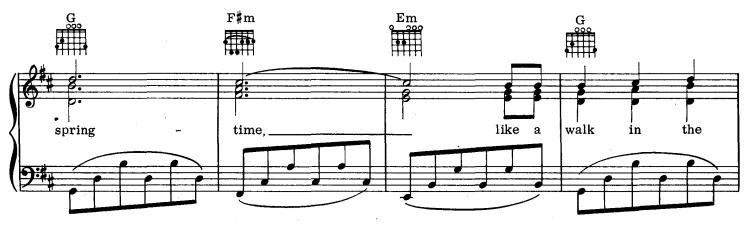
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Words and Music by John Denver

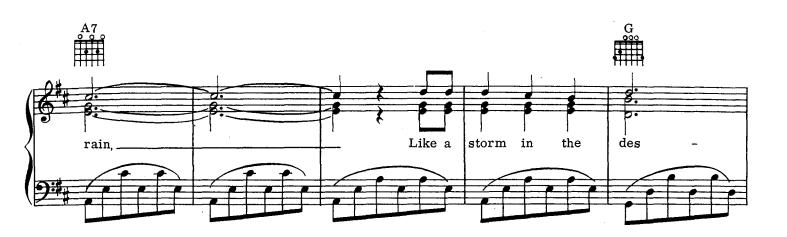


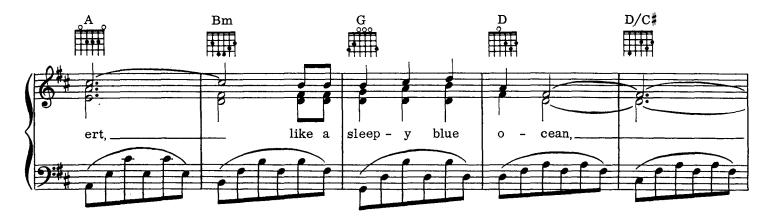


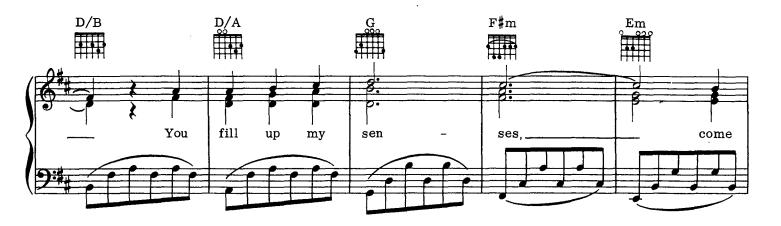


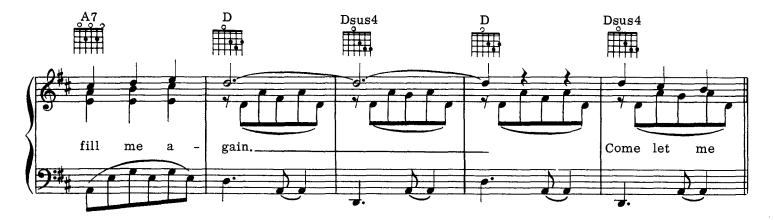


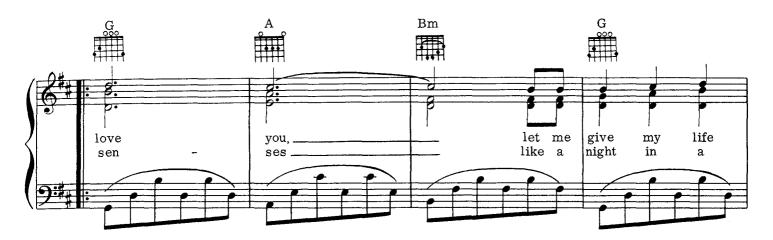
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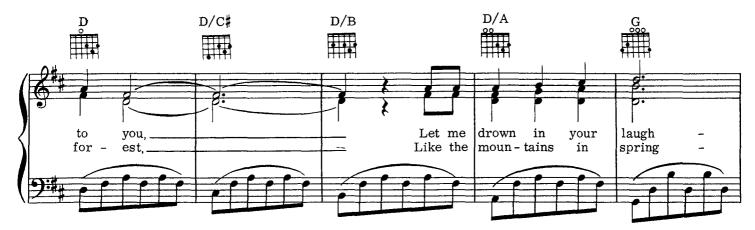


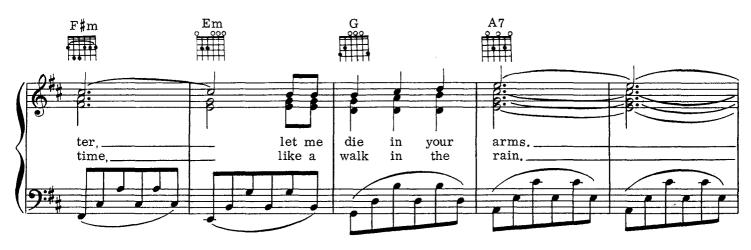


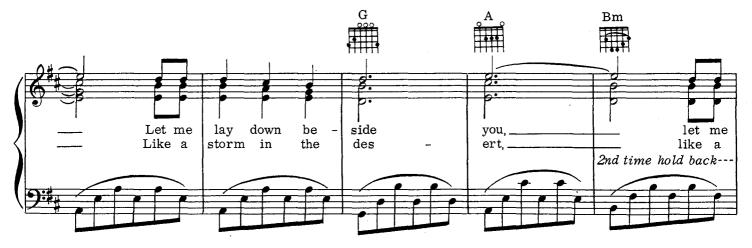


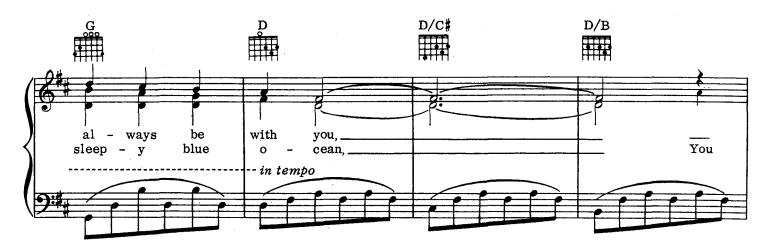


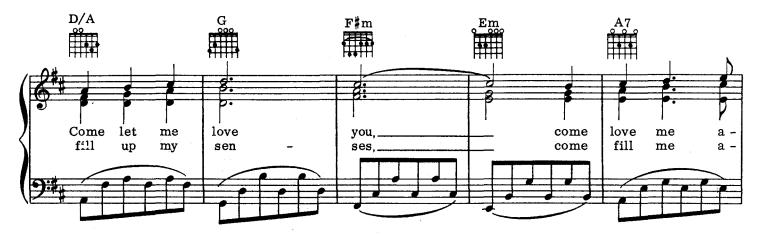


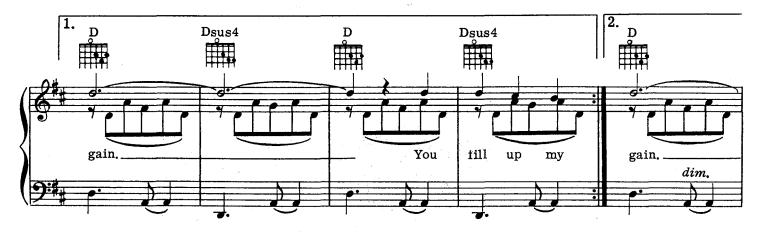


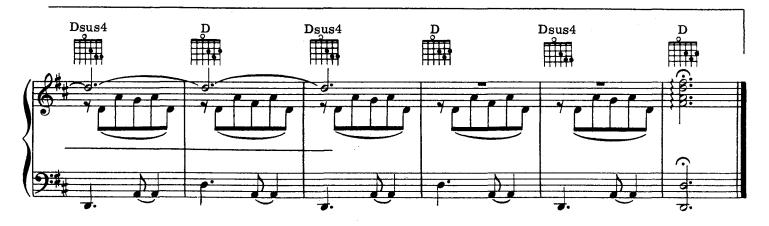










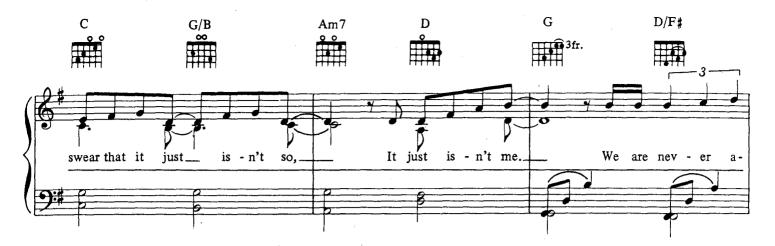


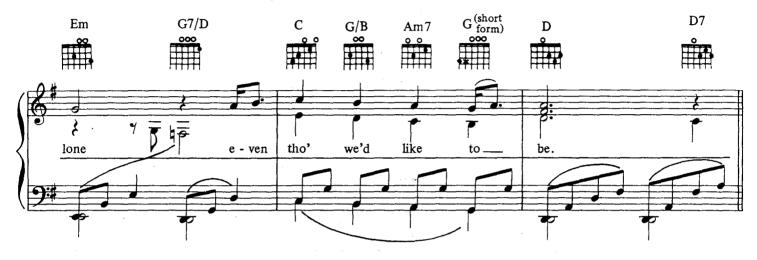
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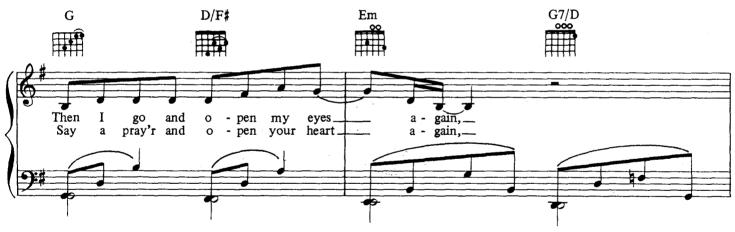
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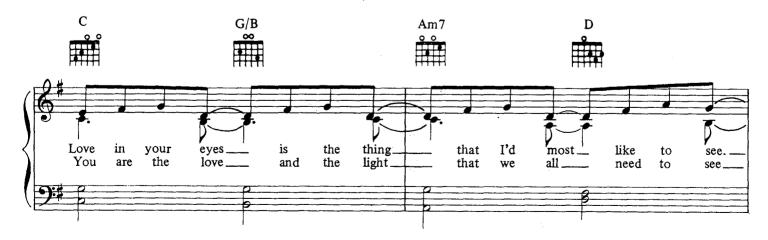


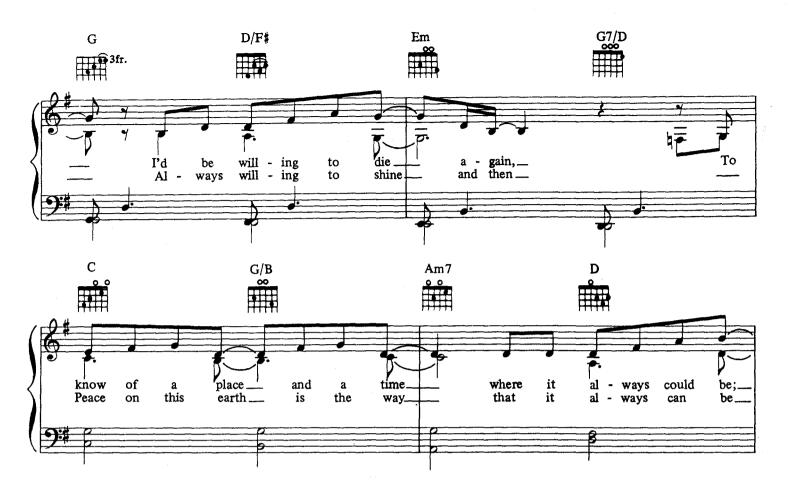
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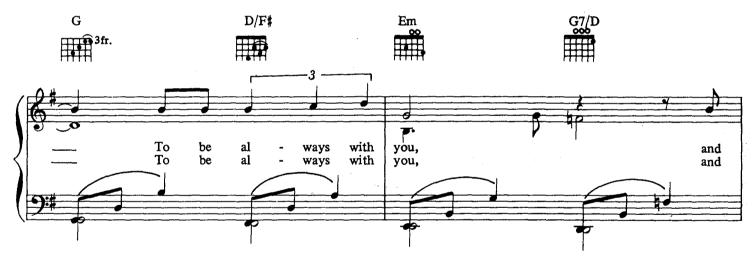


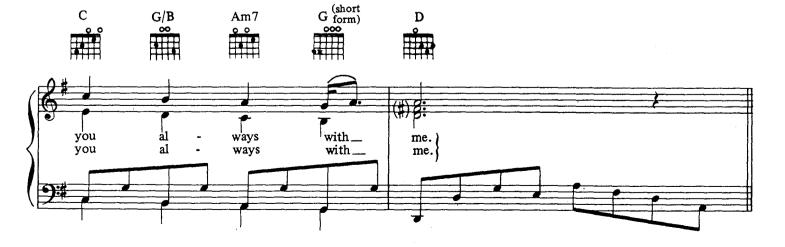


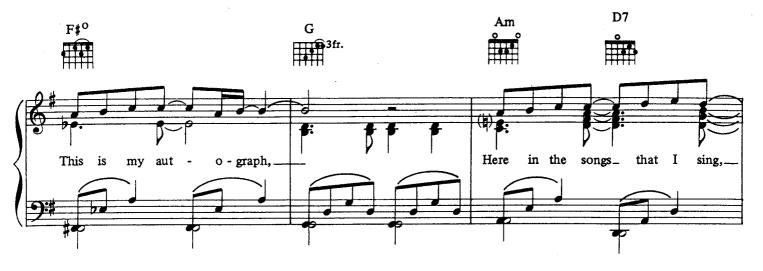




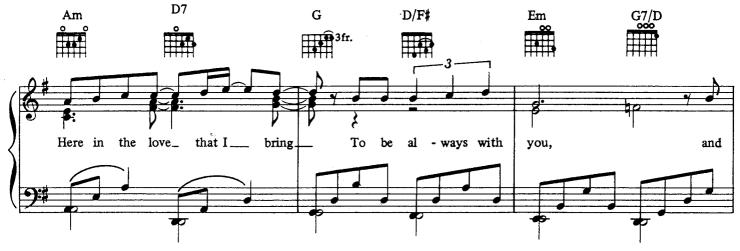


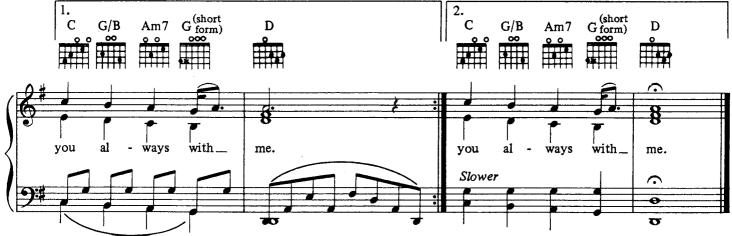










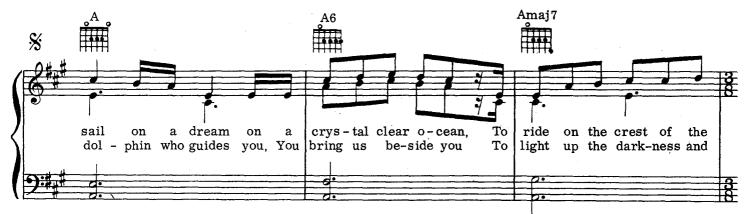


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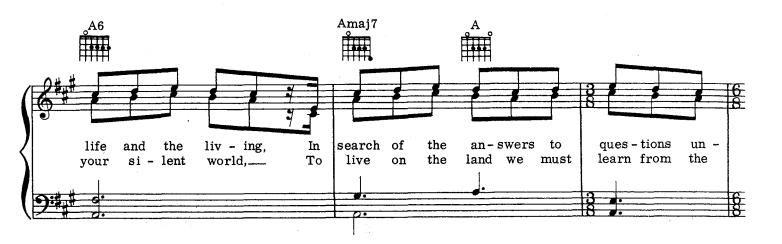




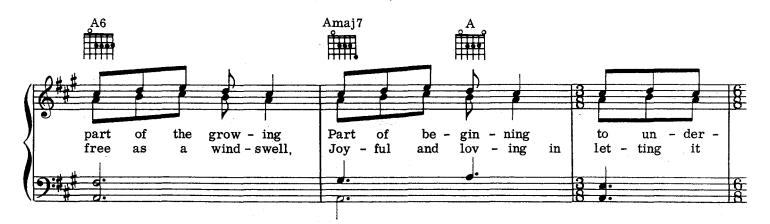




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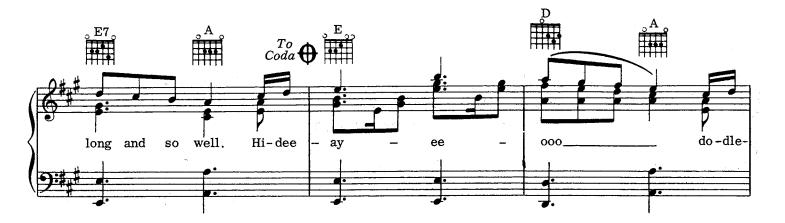


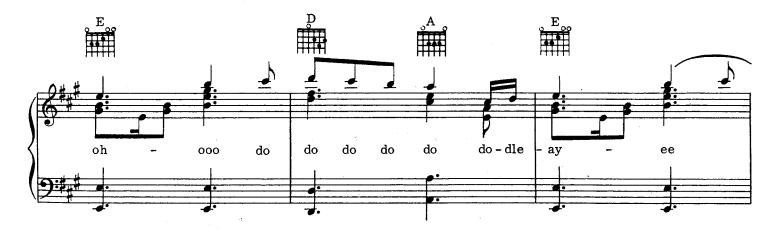


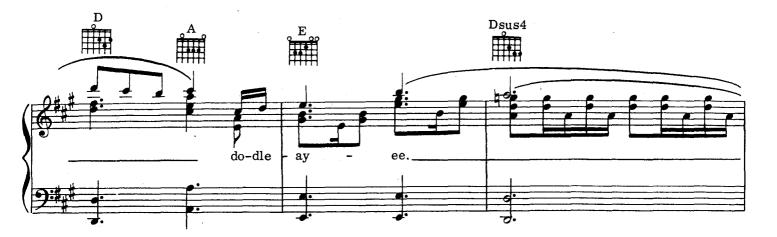


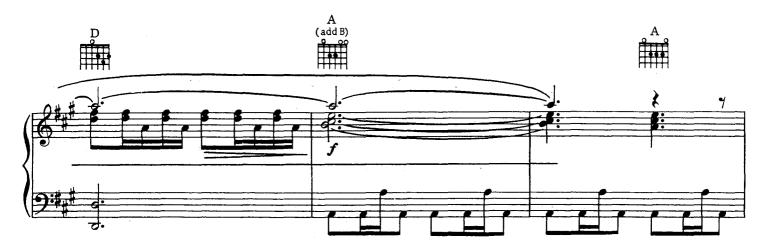




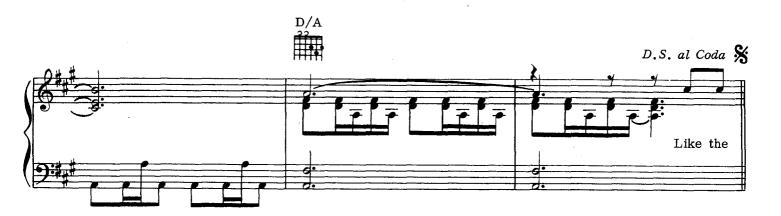


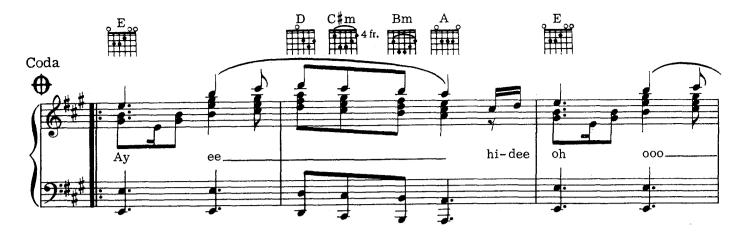


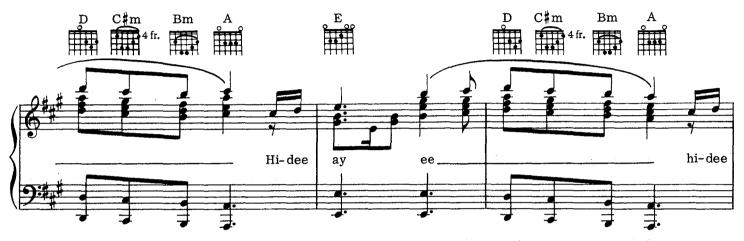




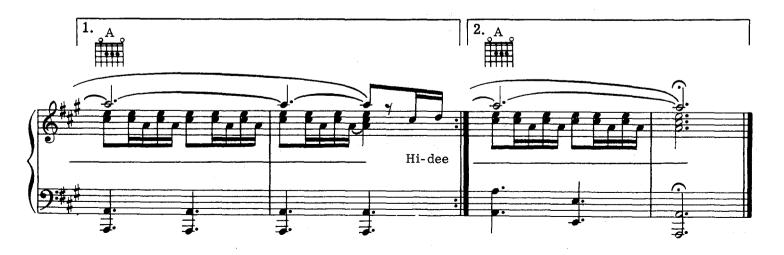








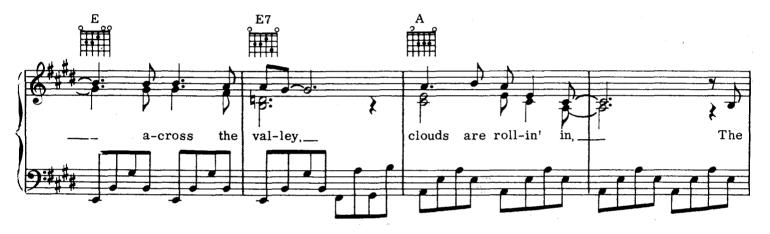




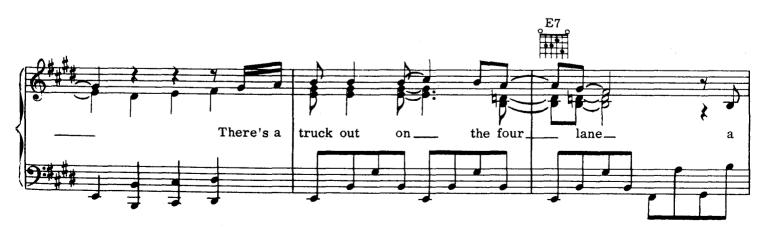
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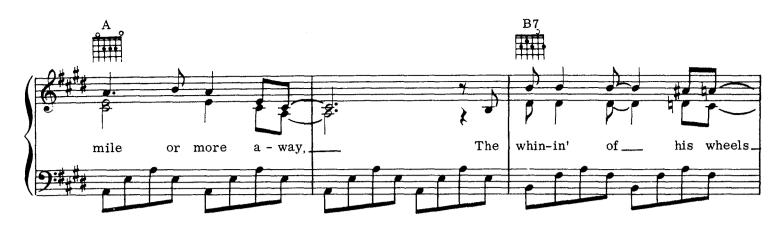


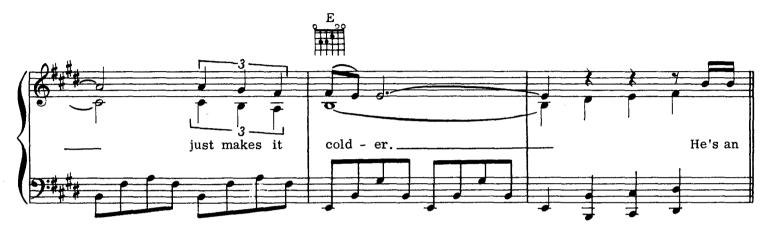


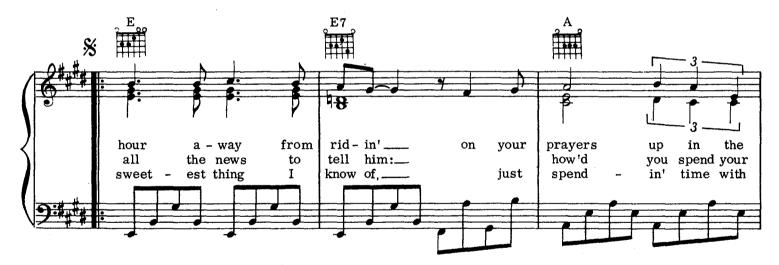


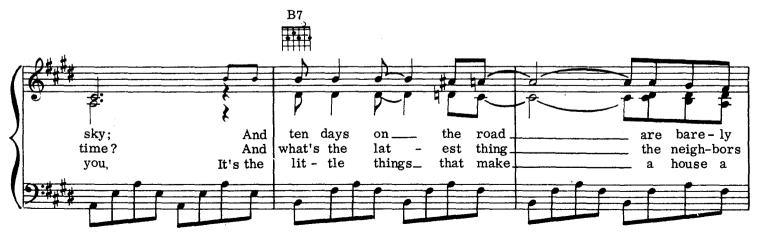


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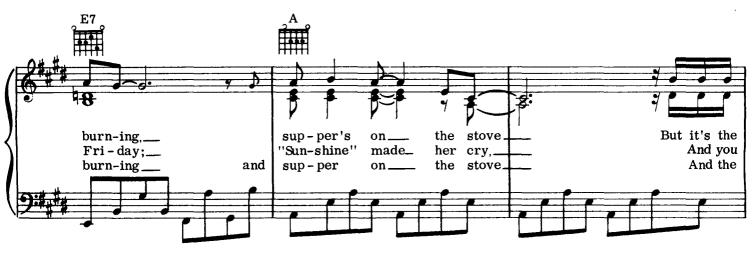


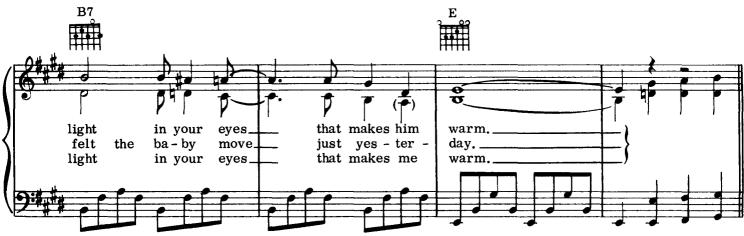


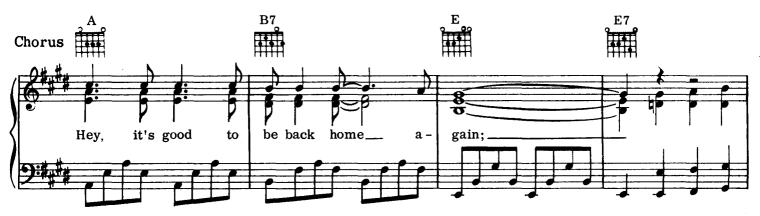


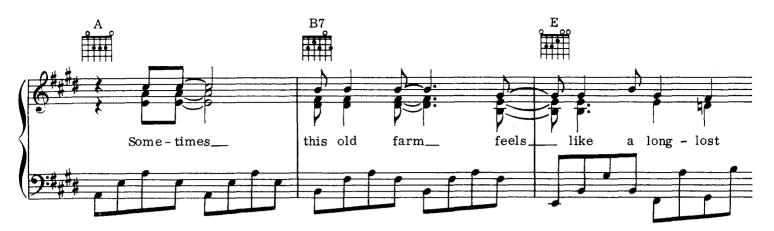




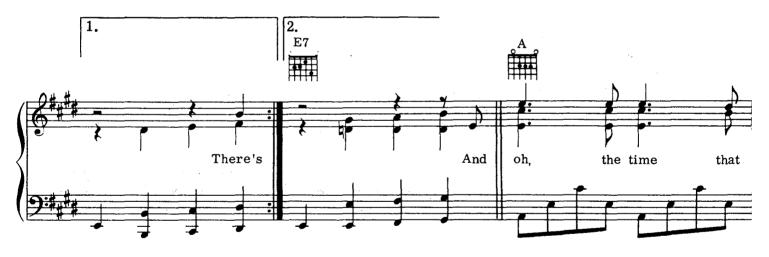




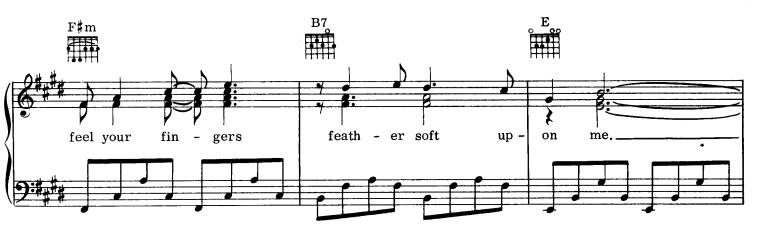


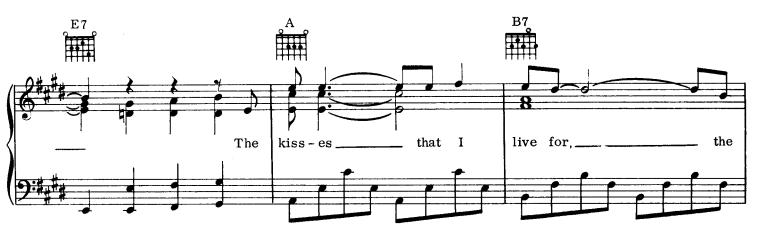


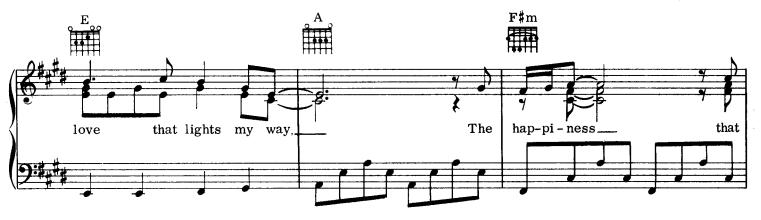












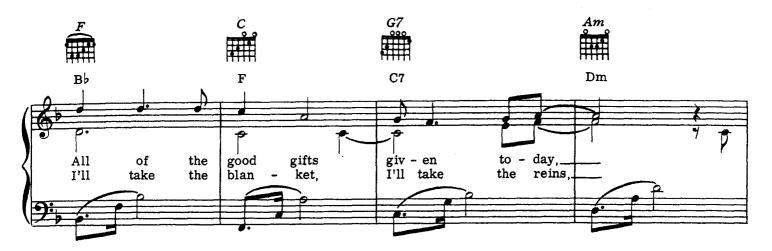


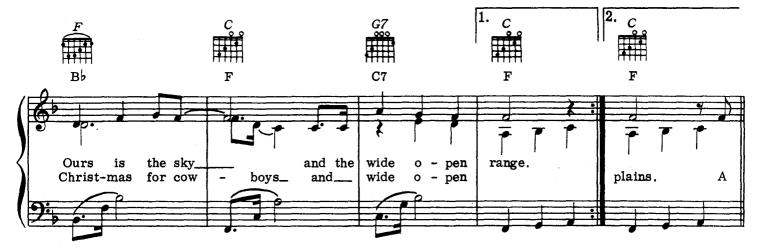
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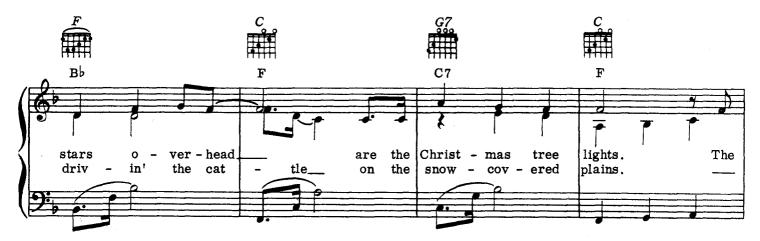


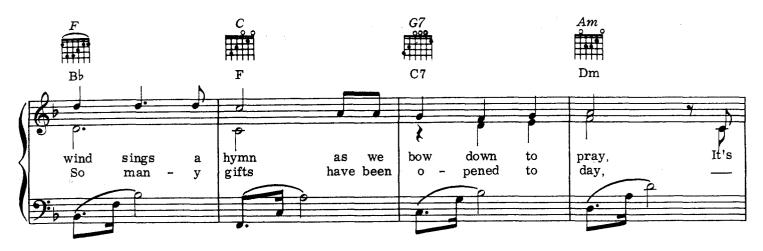
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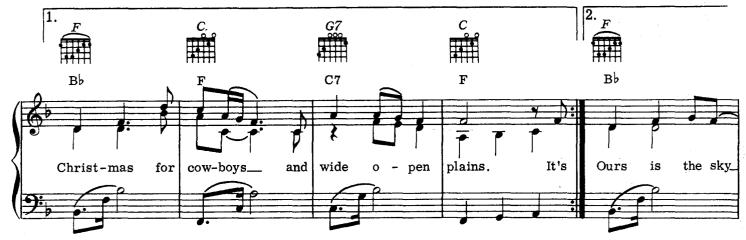


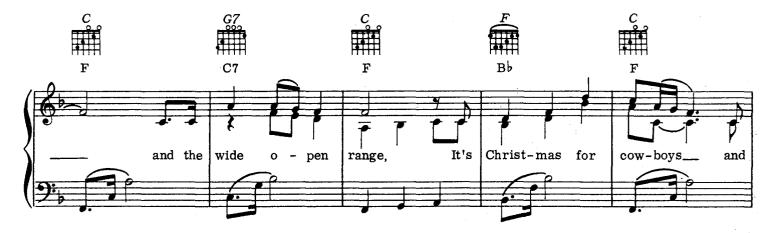


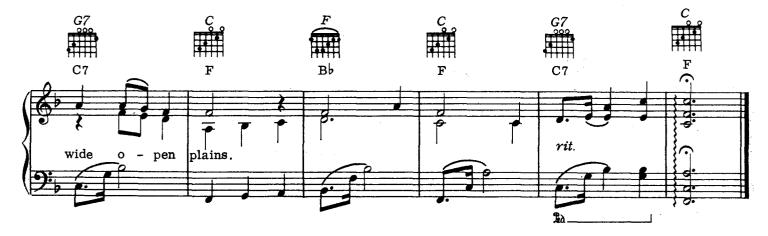






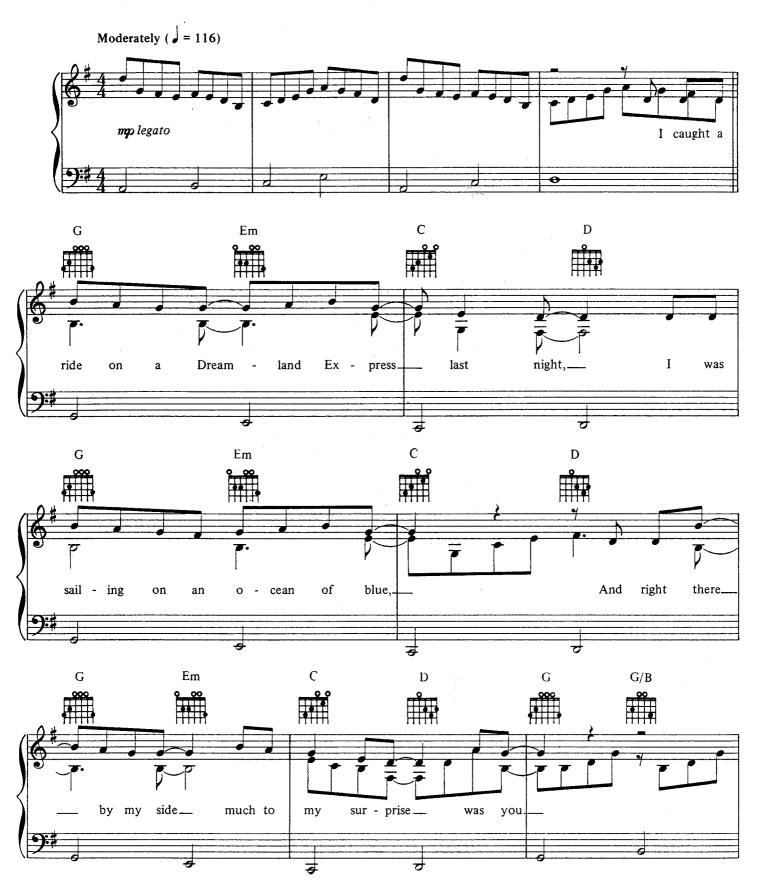




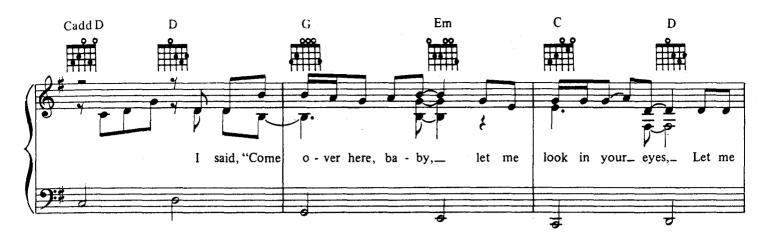


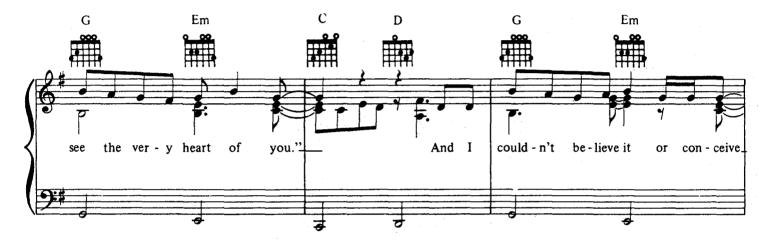
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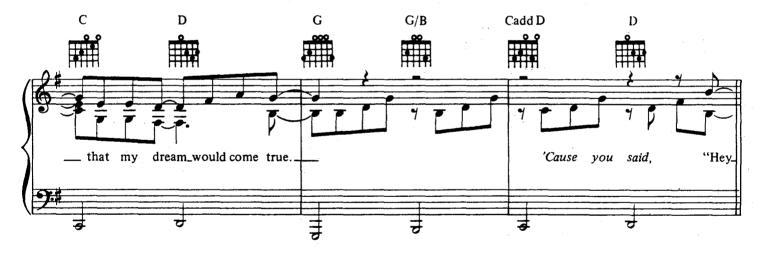
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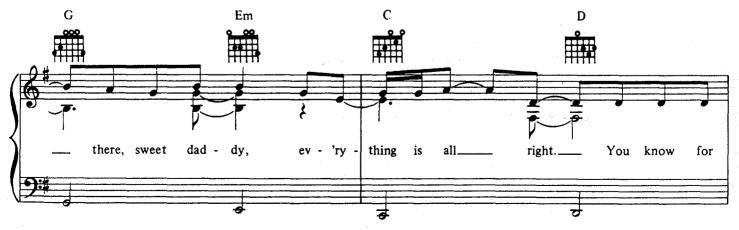


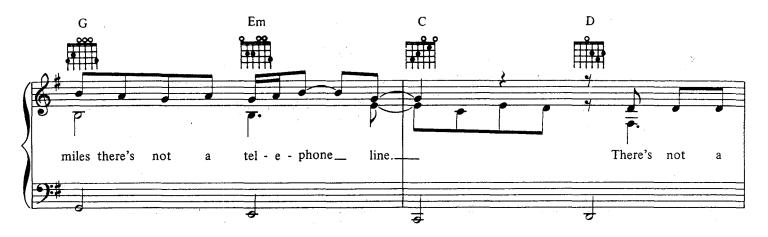
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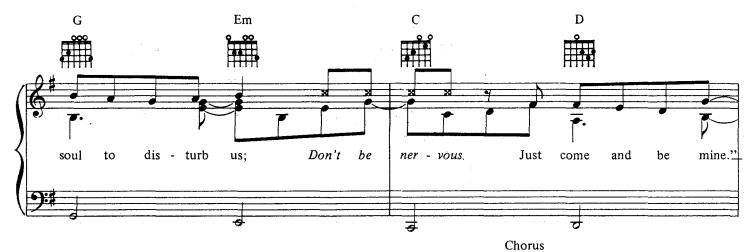


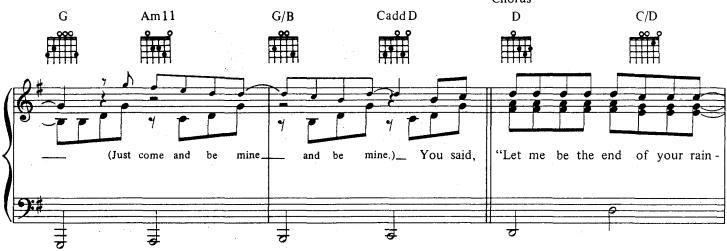


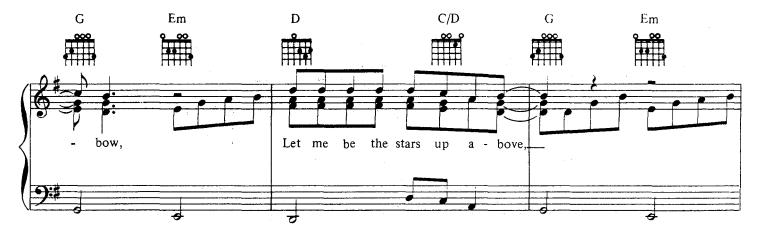


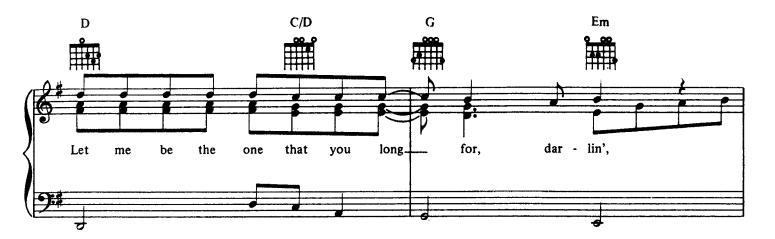


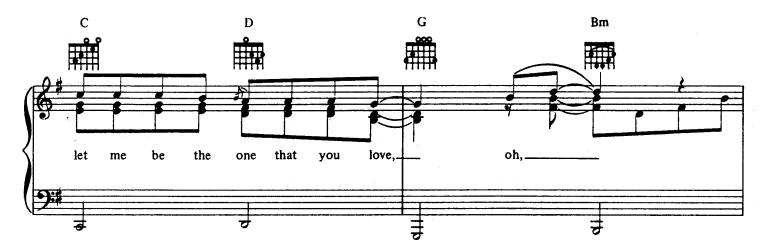


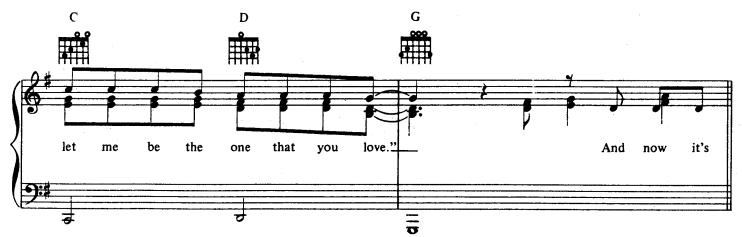


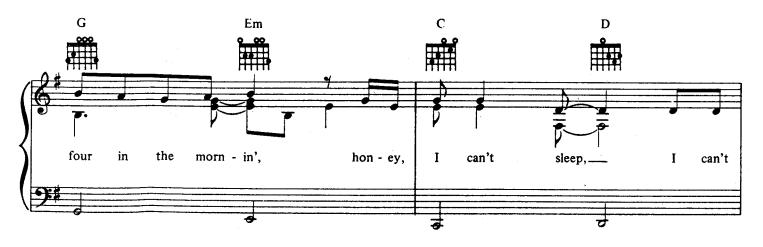


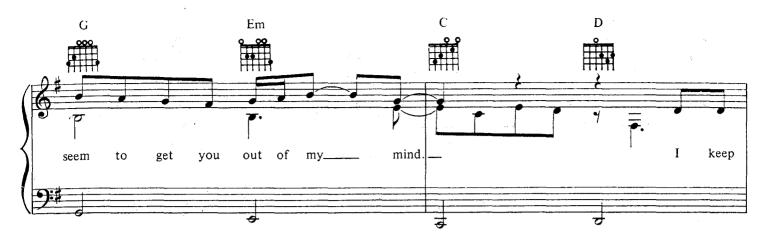


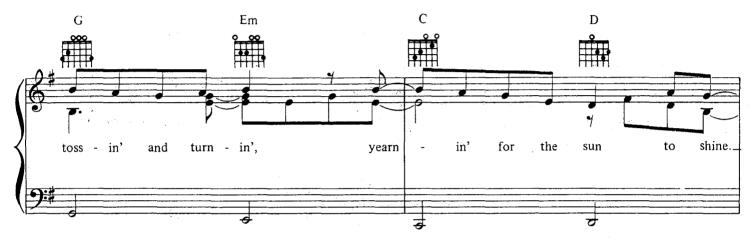


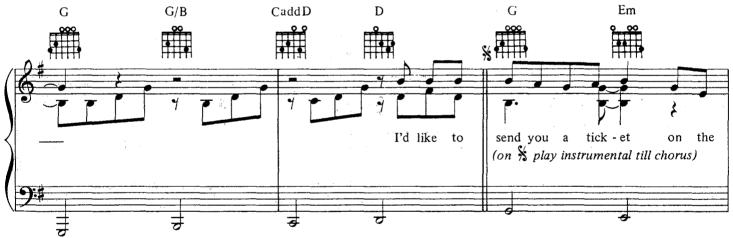


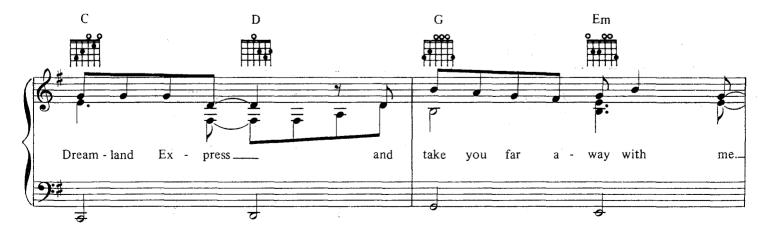


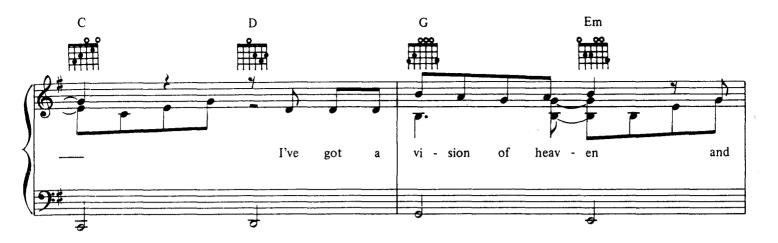


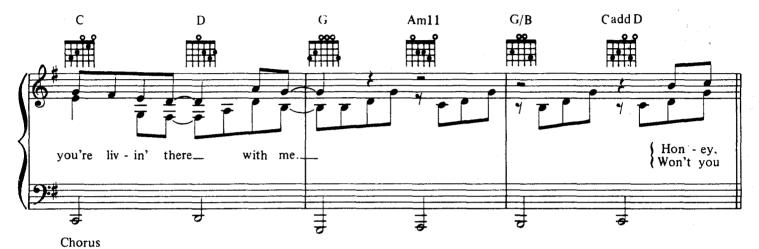


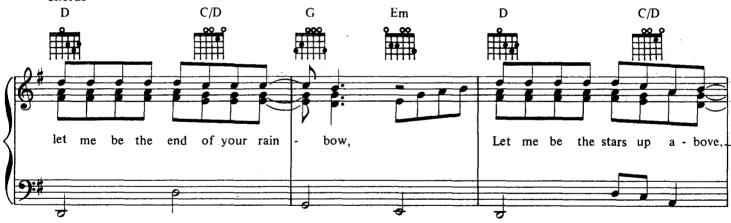


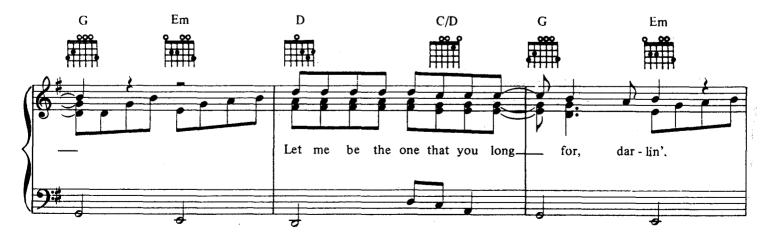


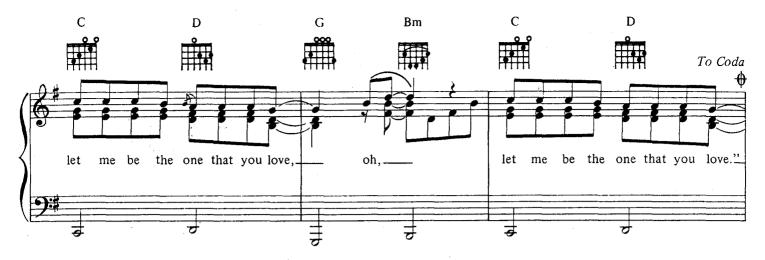


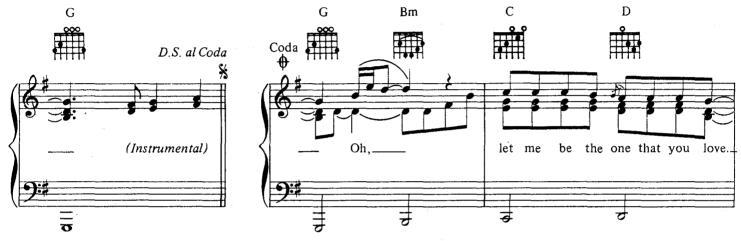














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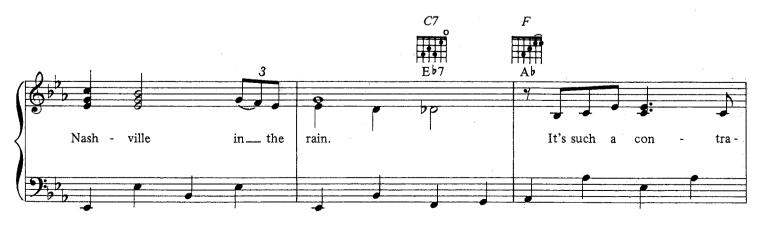
### **A Country Girl In Paris**

Words and Music by John Denver



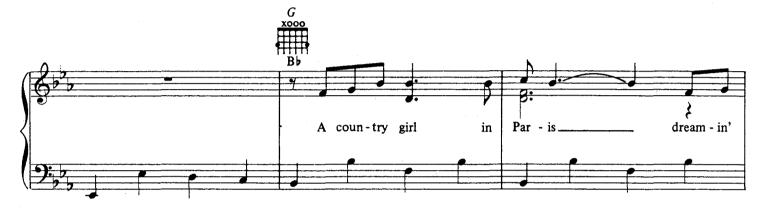


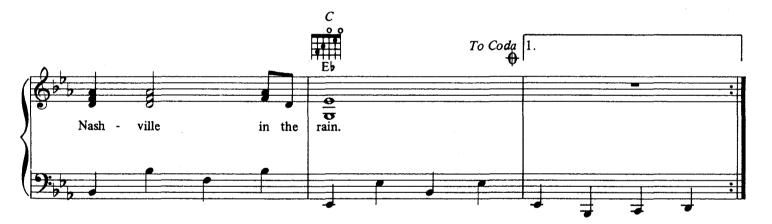


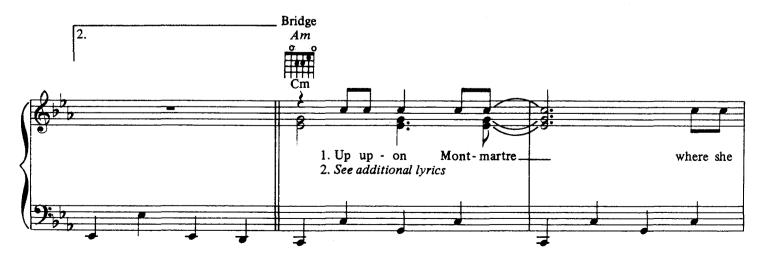


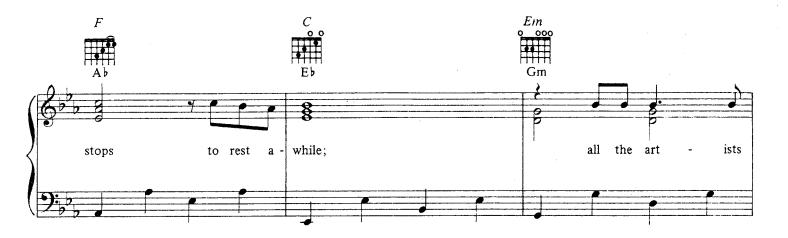
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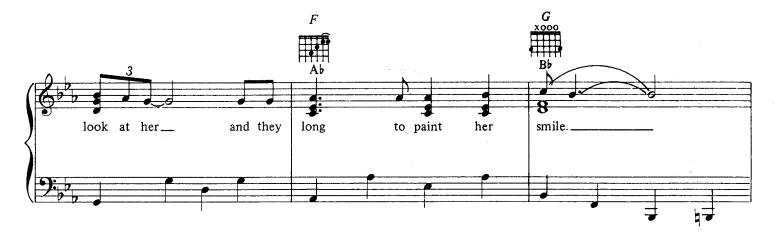


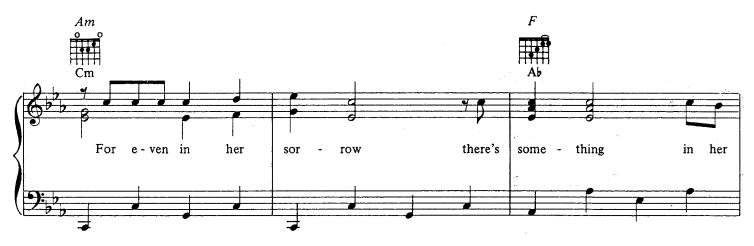




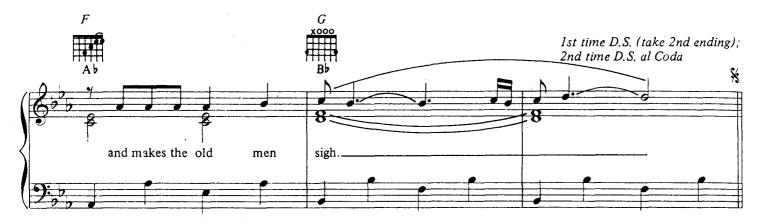


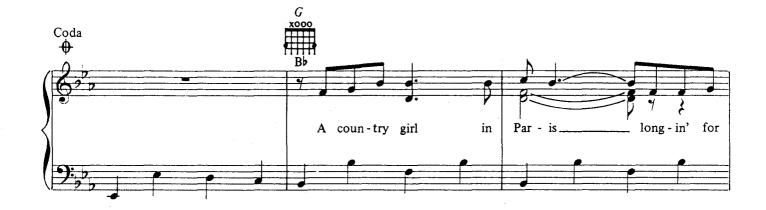


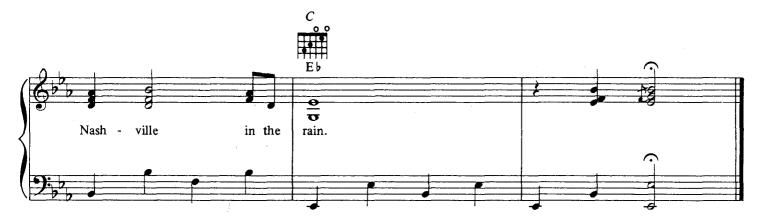












### Additional Lyrics

2. She walks along the boulevard Champs-Elysées, Thinks about a country boy three thousand miles away.
Pride is such a hard thing, such a price to pay, To be all alone in Paris, with true love so far away. (To Bridge)

3. Instrumental

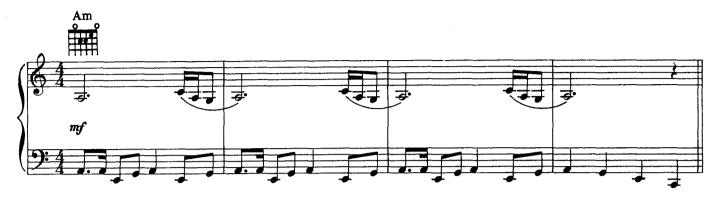
2nd Bridge: They say the loss of innocence is always linked to pain, For once the heart is opened, nothing ever is the same. So the evening lends itself to lovers and romance. The way to heal a broken heart: give true love just one more chance.

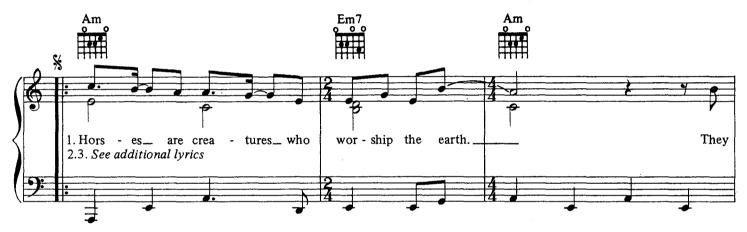
4. Repeat 1st Verse

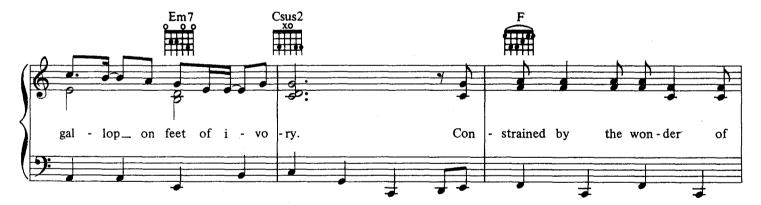
### **Eagles And Horses** (I'm Flying Again)

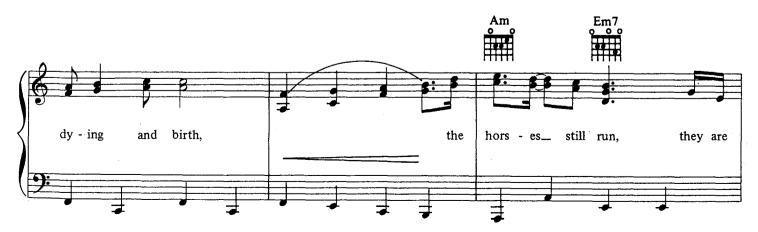
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With a driving beat

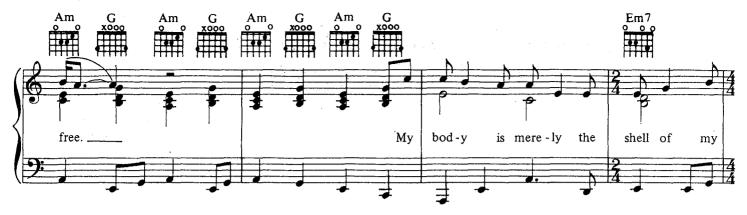


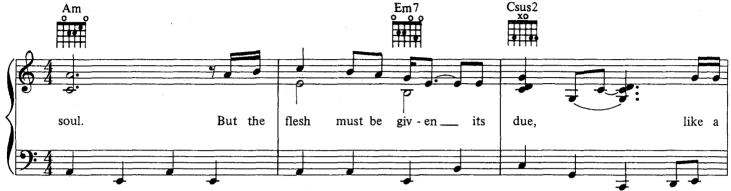


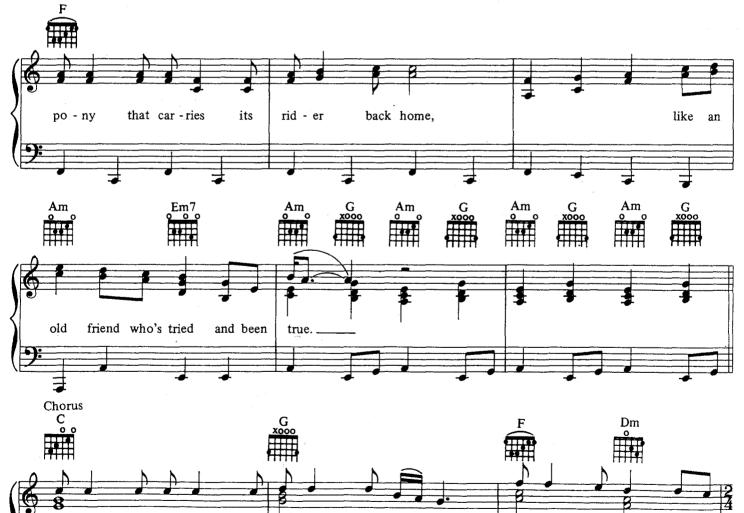




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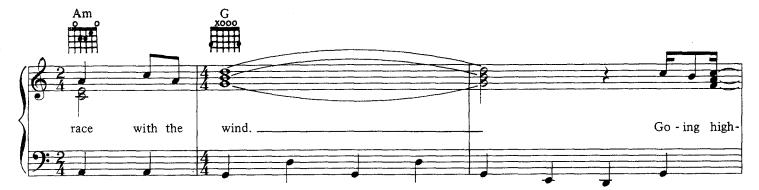


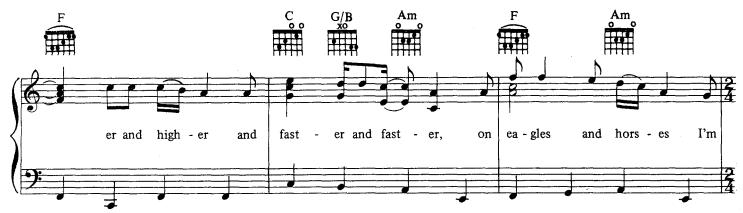


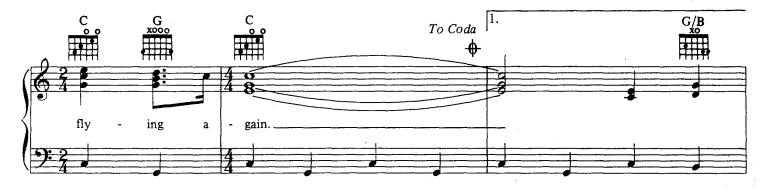


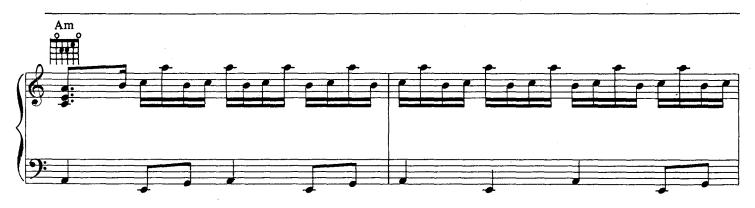
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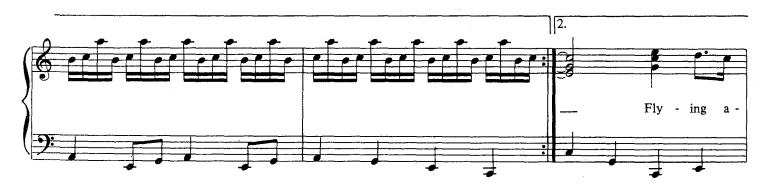
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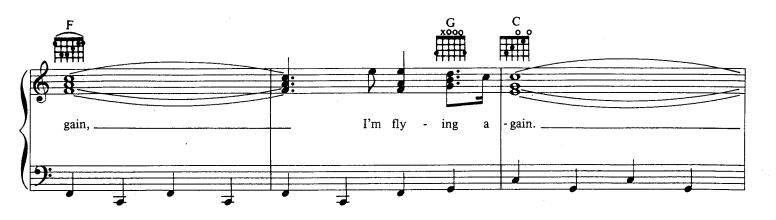


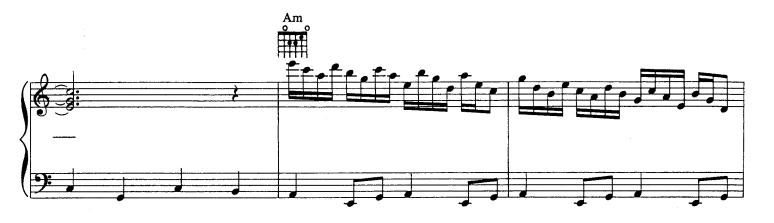




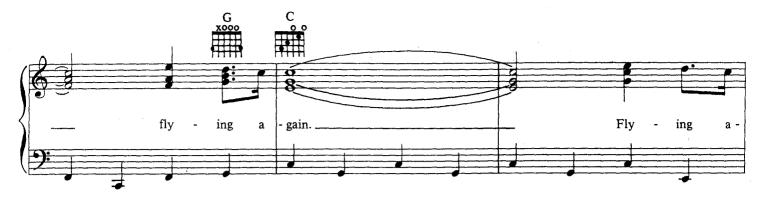


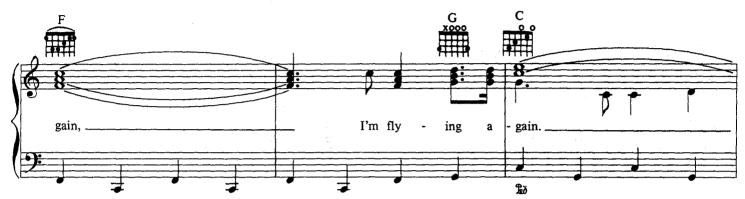












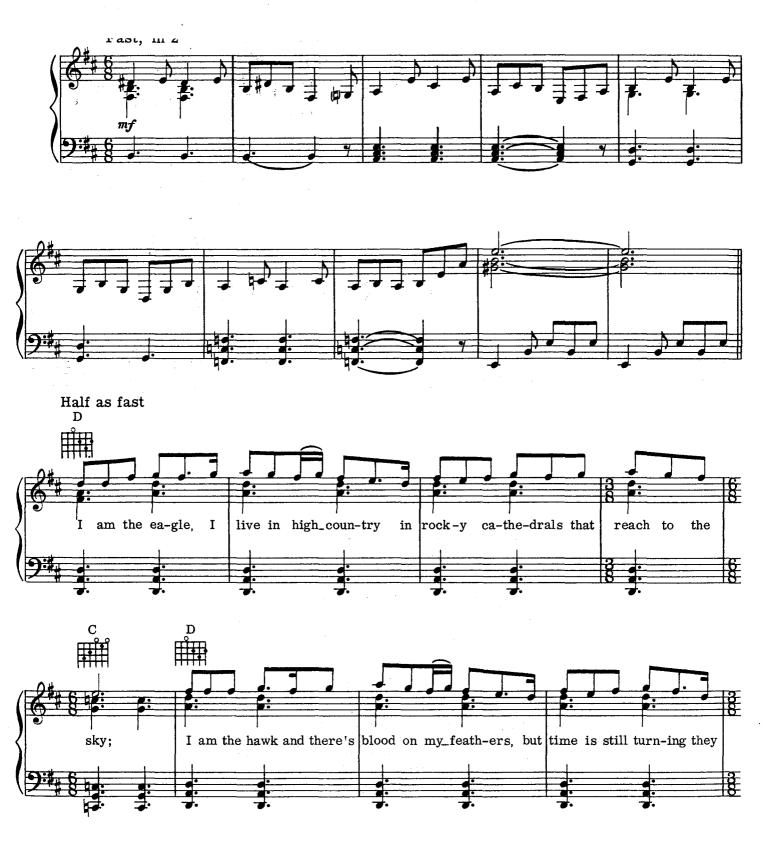


#### Additional Lyrics

- 2. Eagles inhabit the heavenly heights; They know neither limit nor bound. They're the guardian angels of darkness and light; They see all and hear every sound. My spirit will never be broken or caught, For the soul is a free-flying thing, Like an eagle that needs neither comfort nor thought To rise up on glorious wings. (To Chorus)
- 3. My body is merely the shell of my soul, But the flesh must be given its due, Like a pony that carries its master back home, Like an old friend who's tried and been true. My spirit will never be broken or caught, For the soul is a free-flying thing, Like an eagle that needs neither comfort nor thought To rise up on glorious wings. (To Chorus)

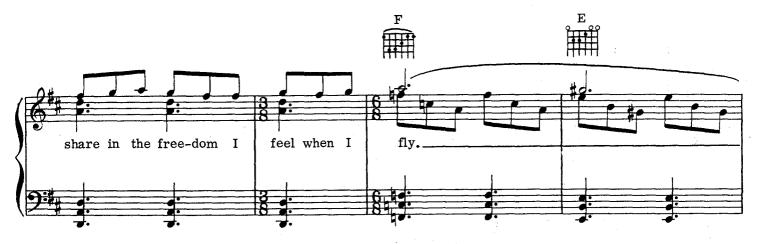
The Eagle And The Hawk

Words by John Denver Music by John Denver and Mike Taylor

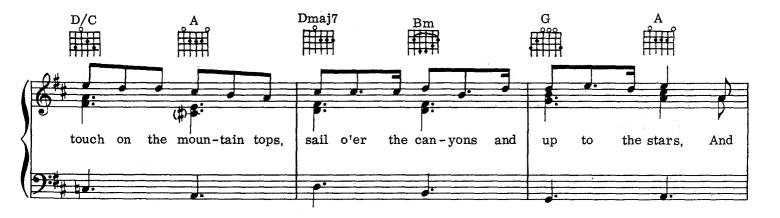


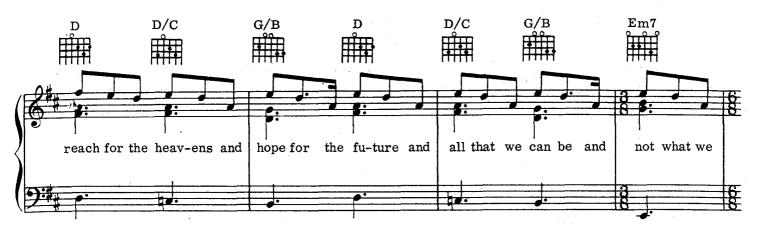
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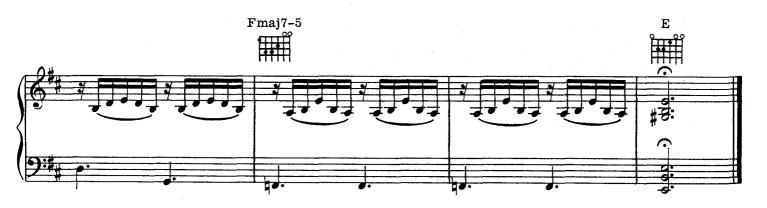










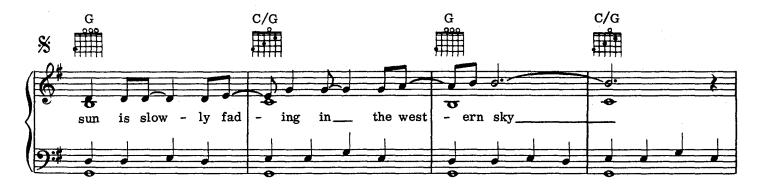


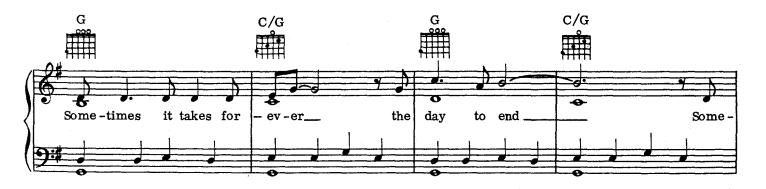
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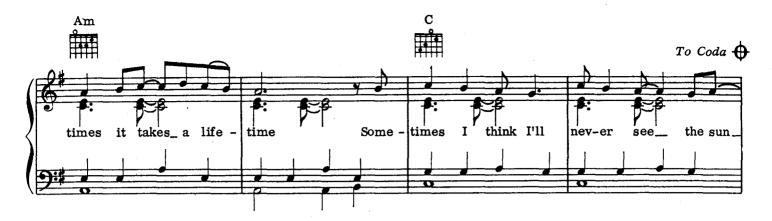


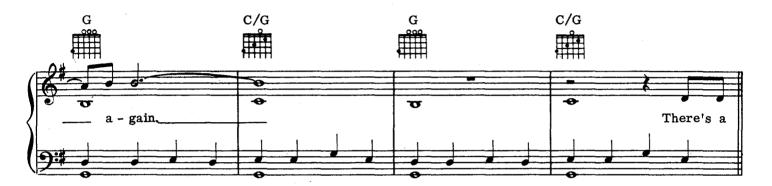




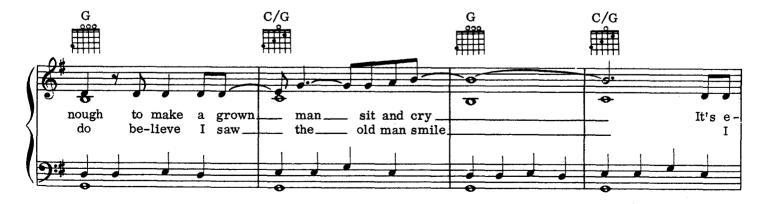


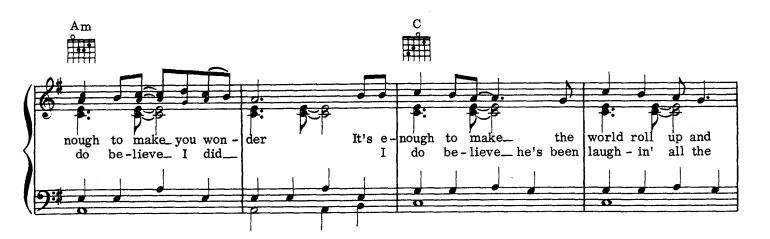
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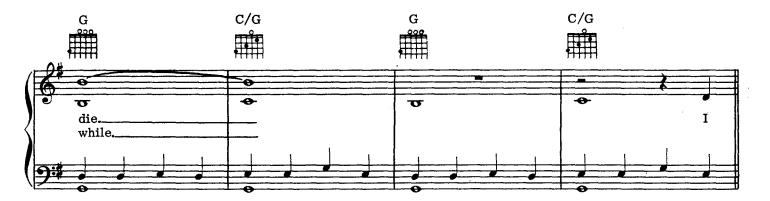






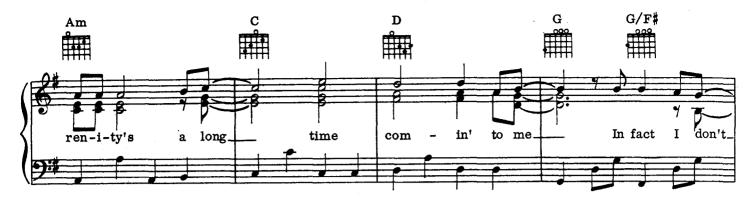




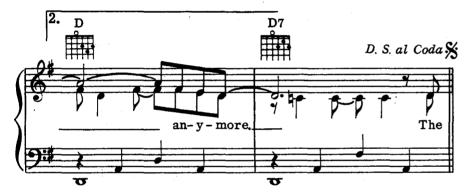


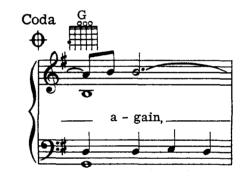




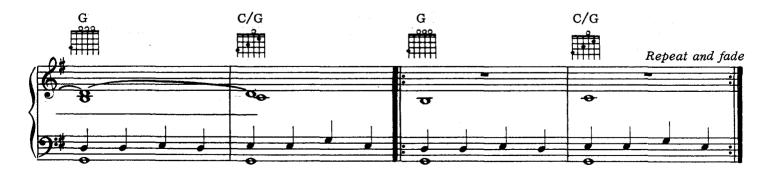






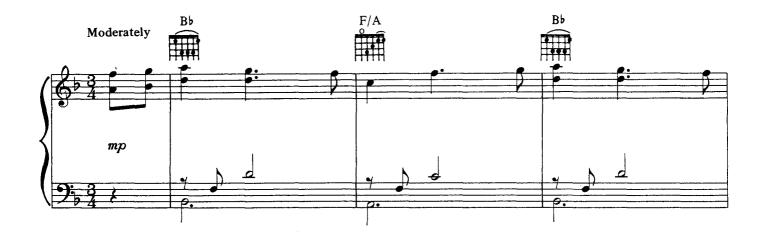


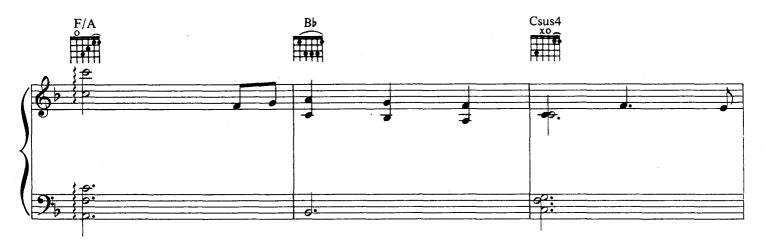


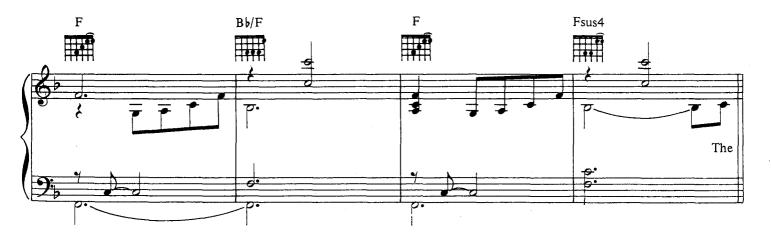


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Words and Music by John Jarvis and Joe Henry



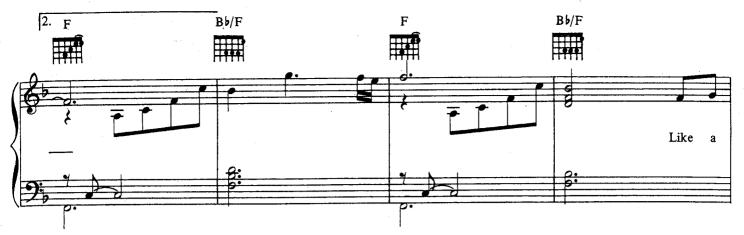


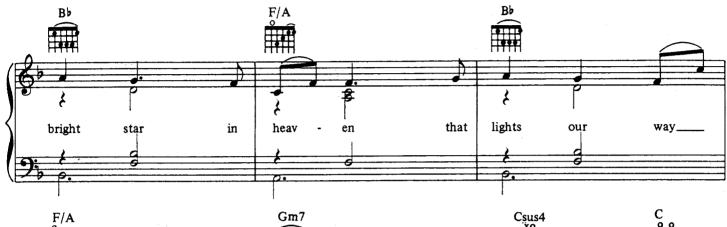


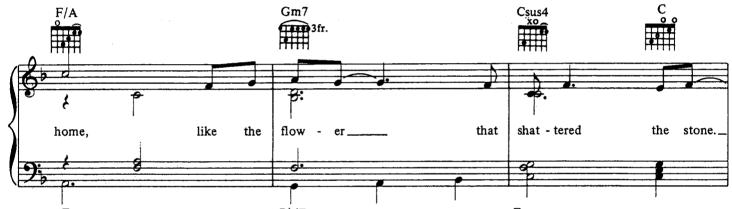
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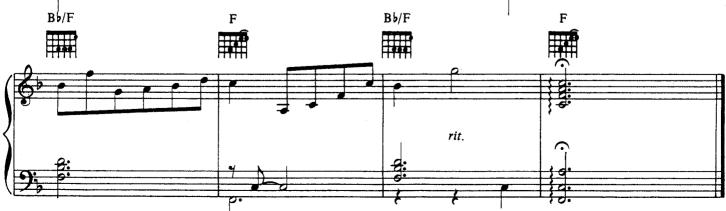










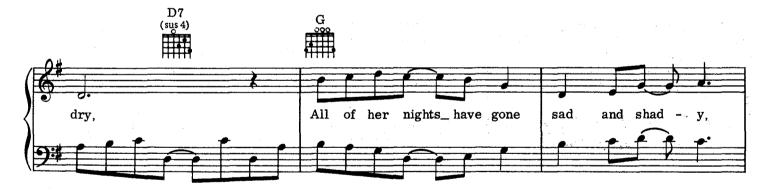


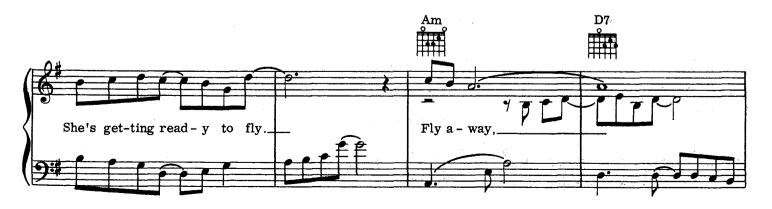
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Words and Music by John Denver

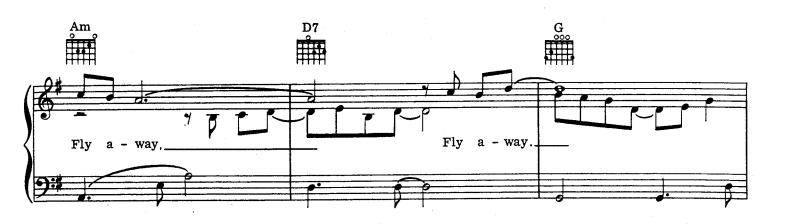


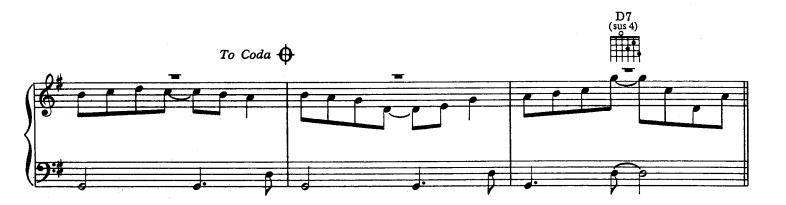


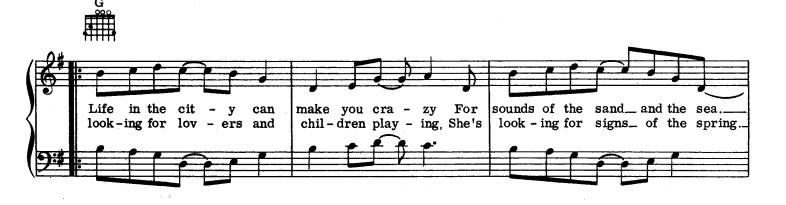


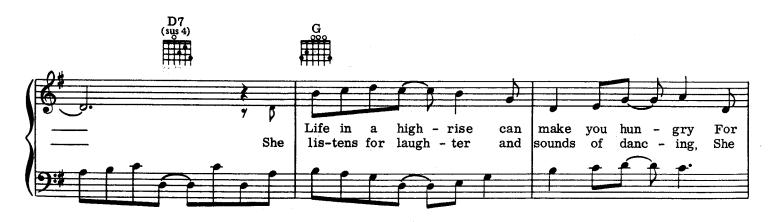


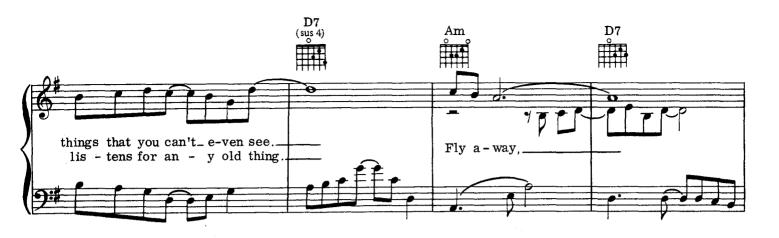
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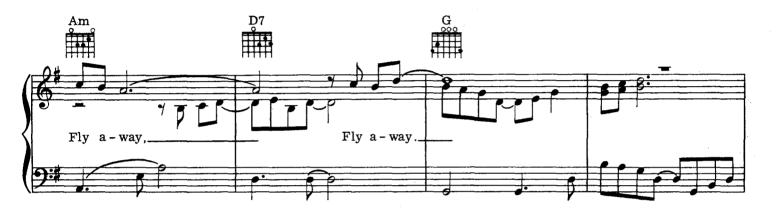


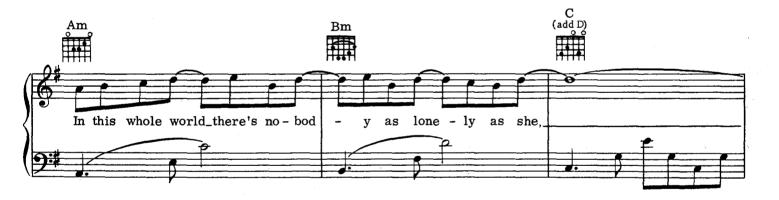






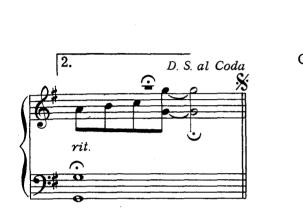




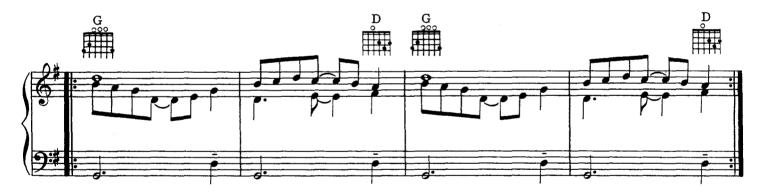








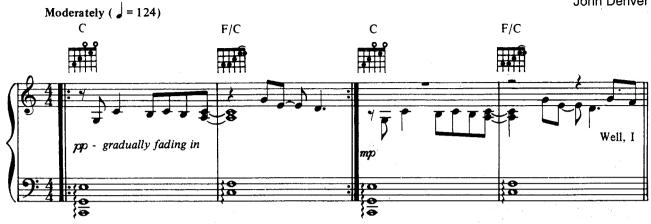


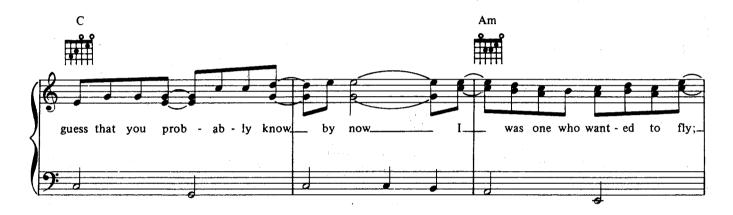


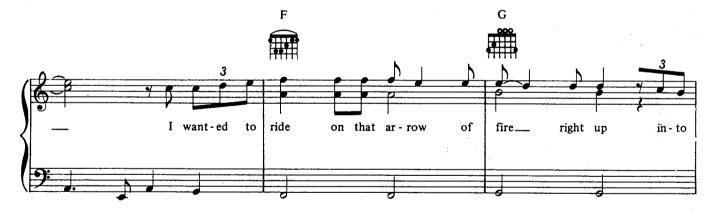


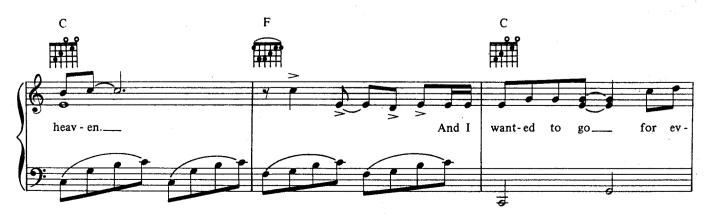
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Words and Music by John Denver

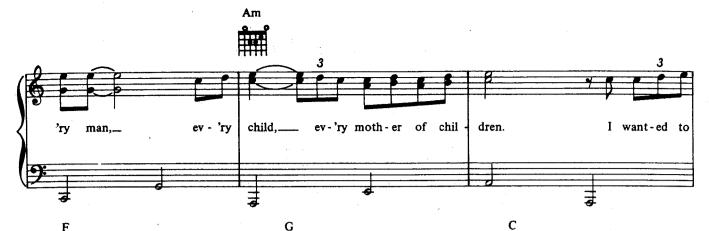


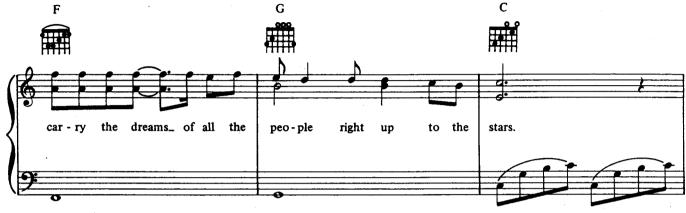




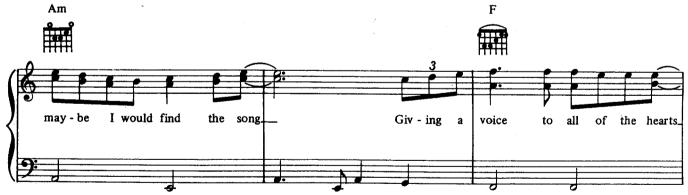


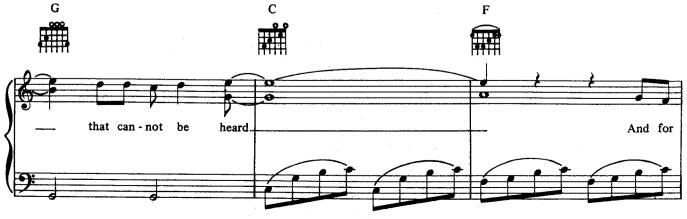
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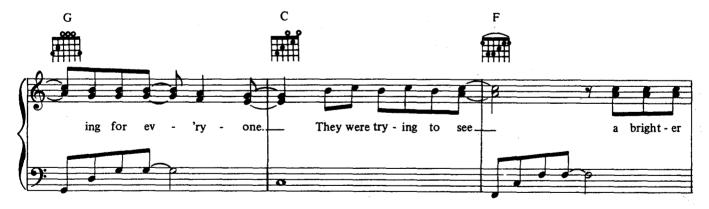




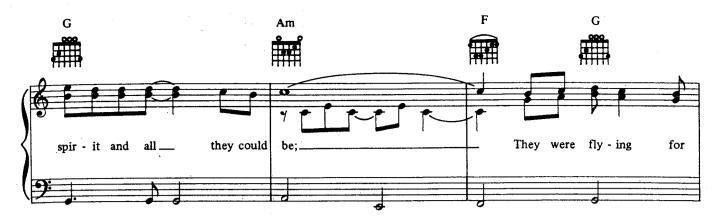


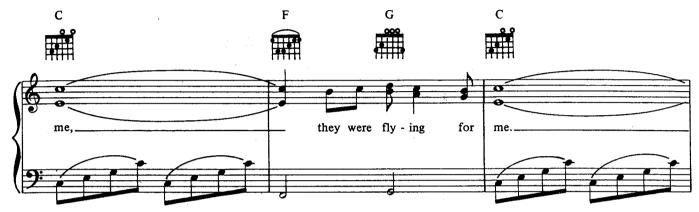


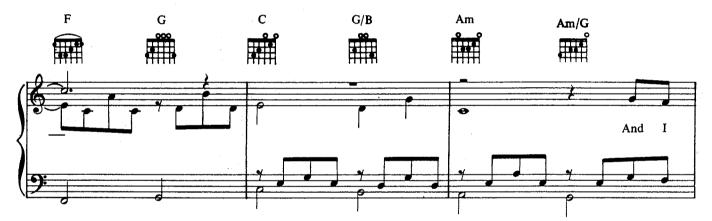


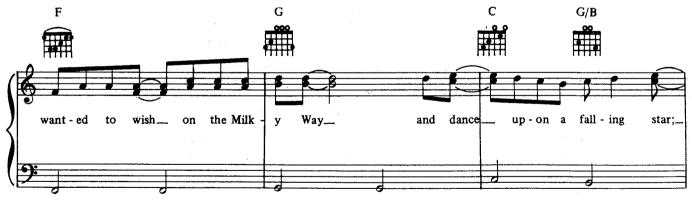




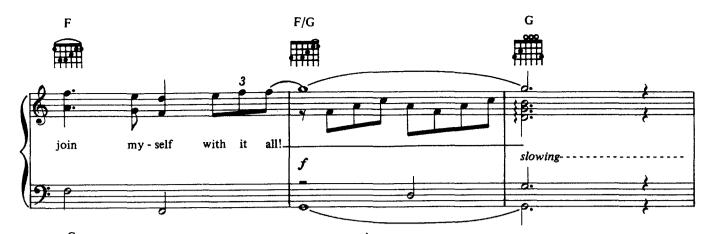


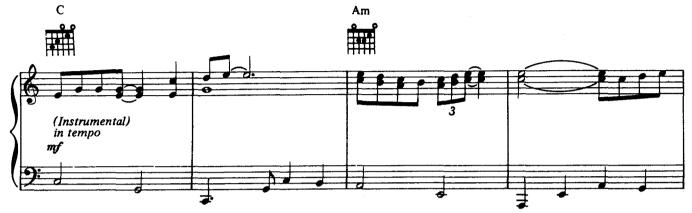


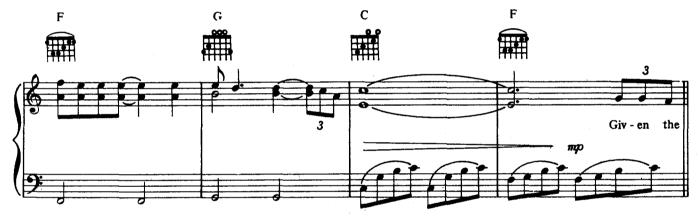




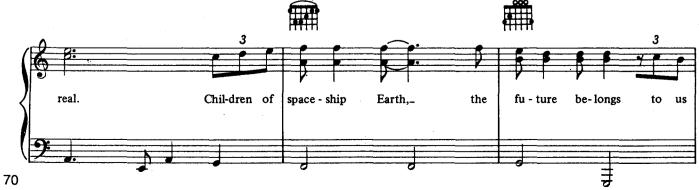


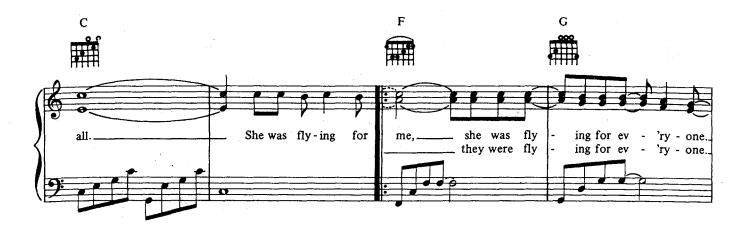


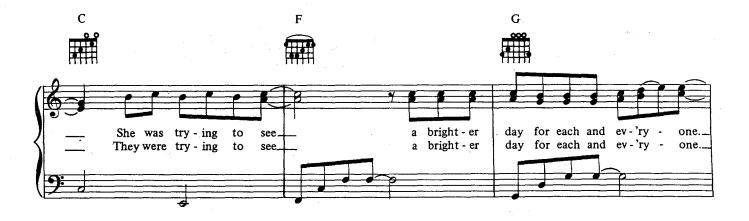




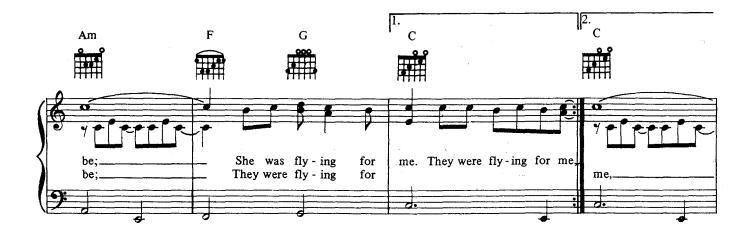


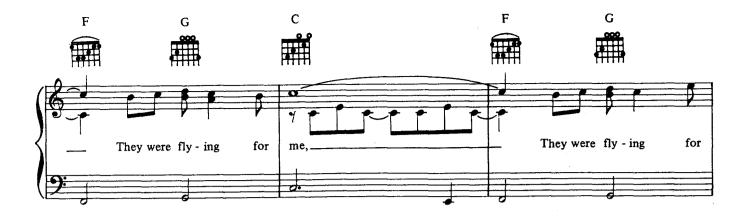


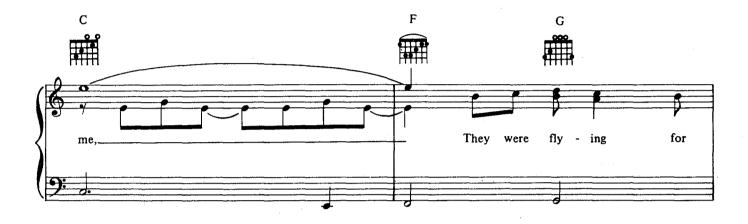


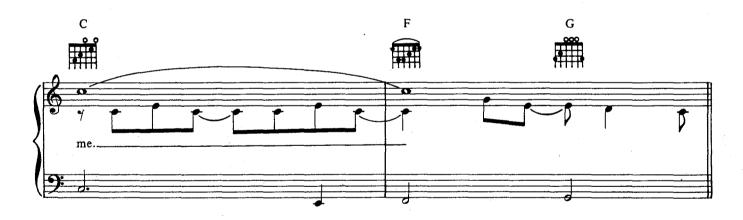


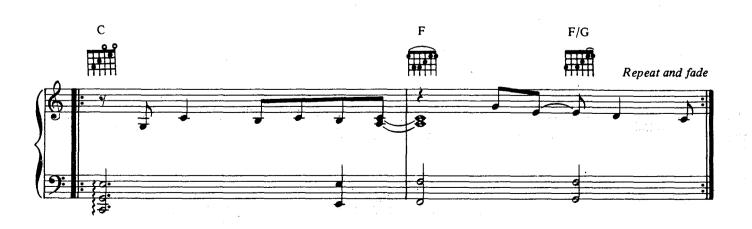








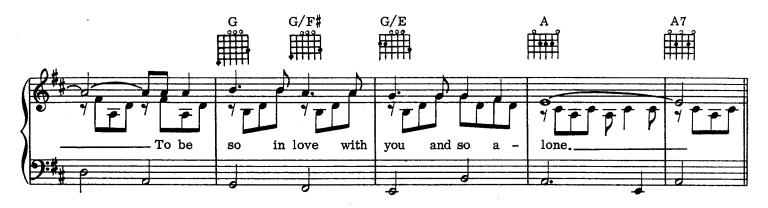


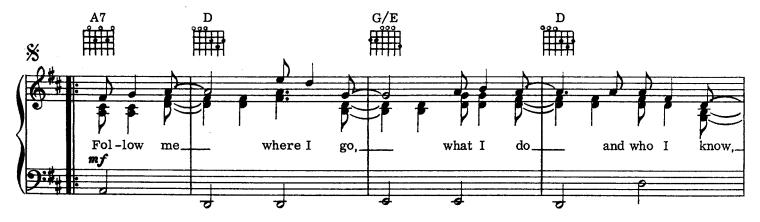


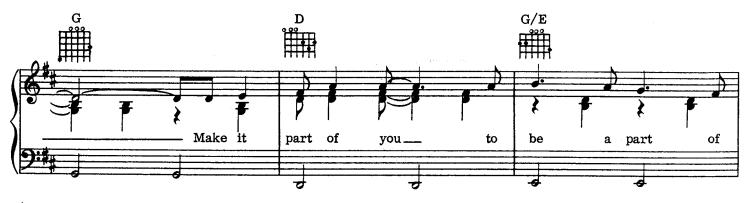
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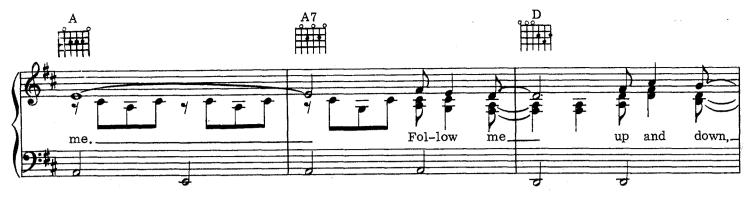




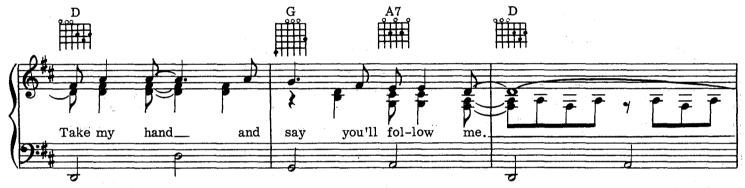


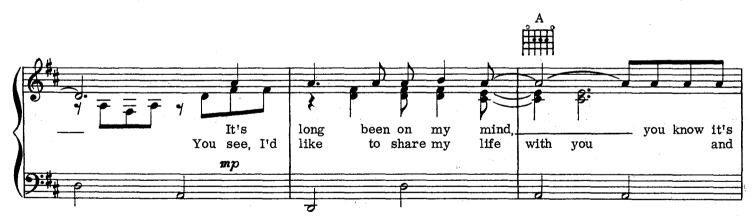
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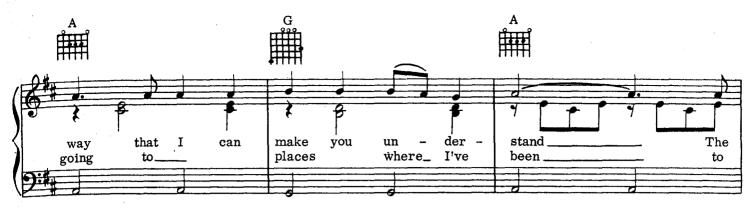


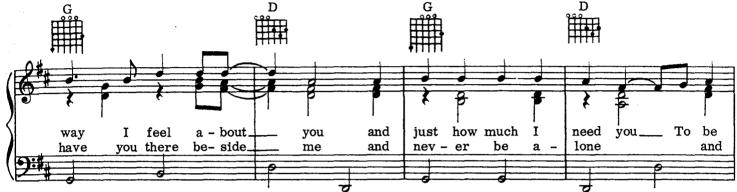


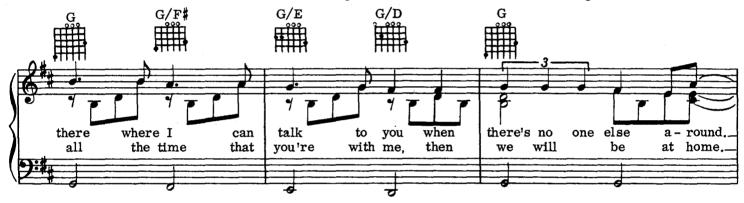


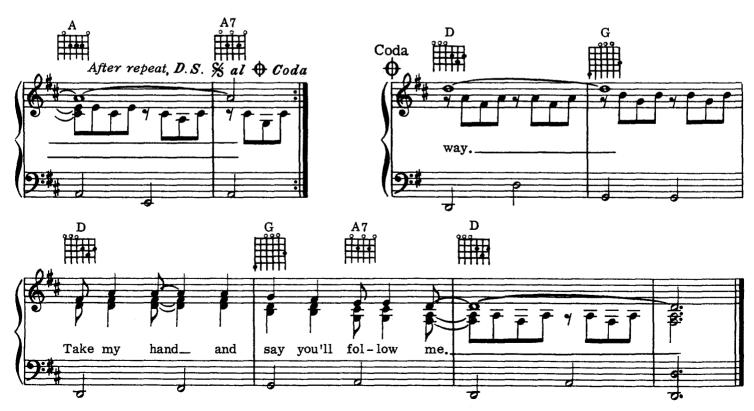








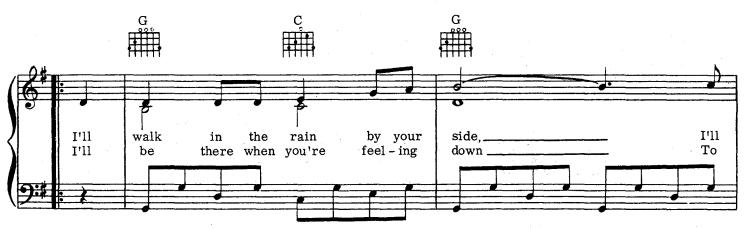




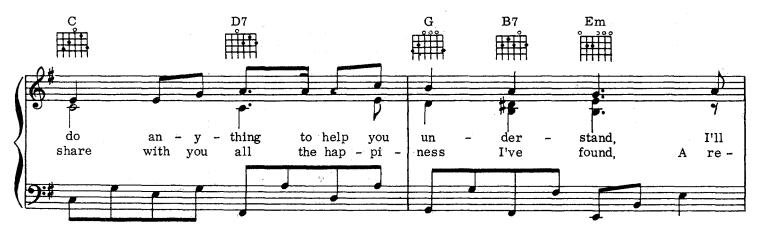
For Baby (For Bobbie)

> Words and Music by John Denver









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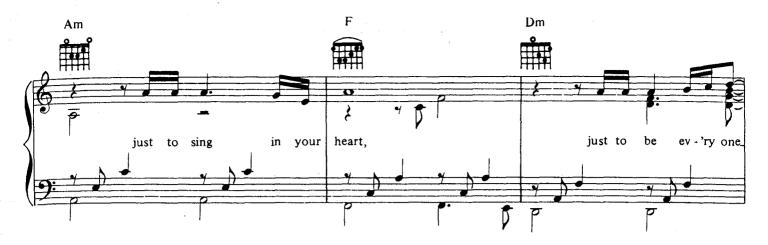


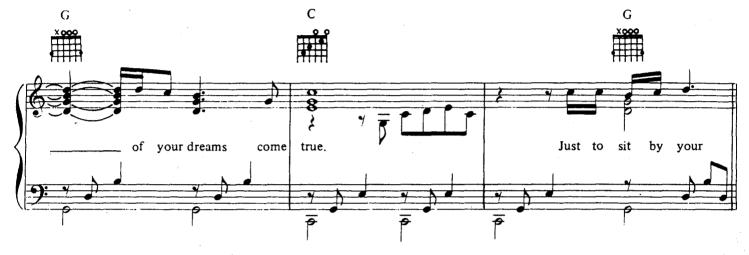
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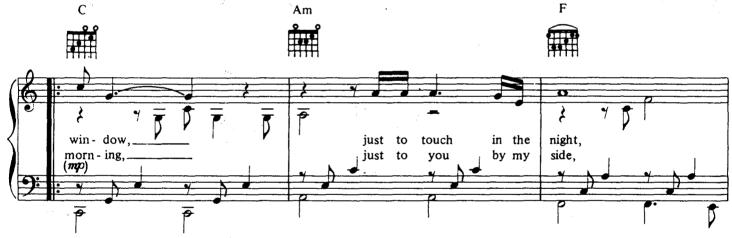
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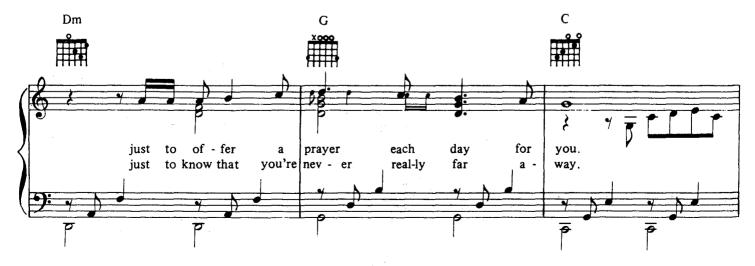


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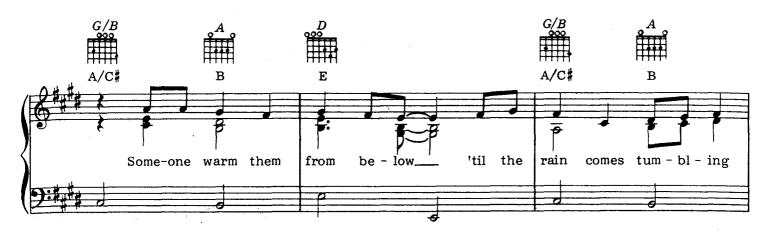


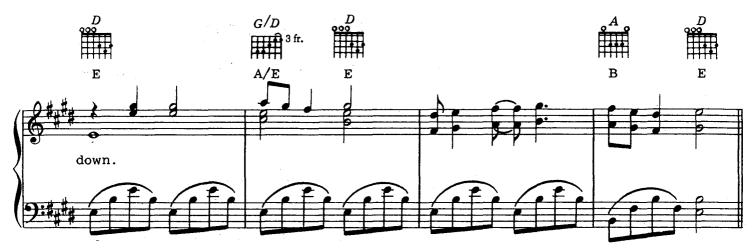


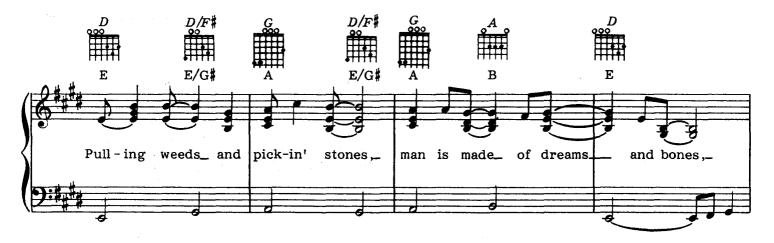
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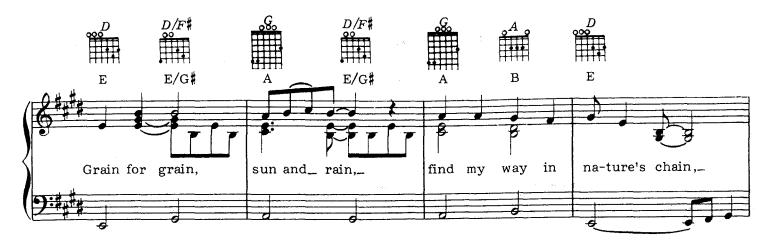


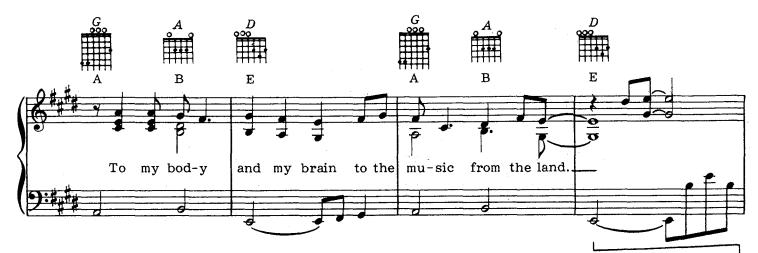


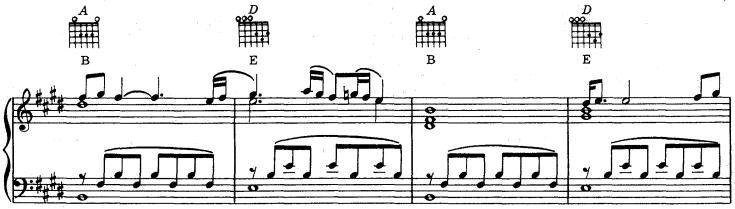


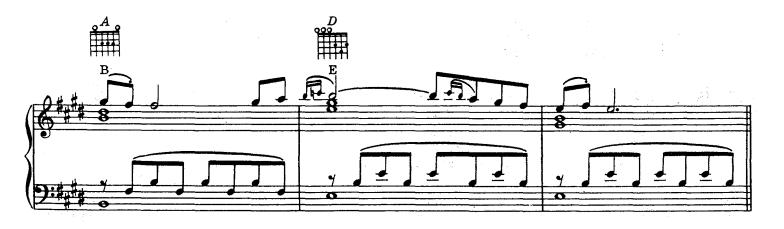


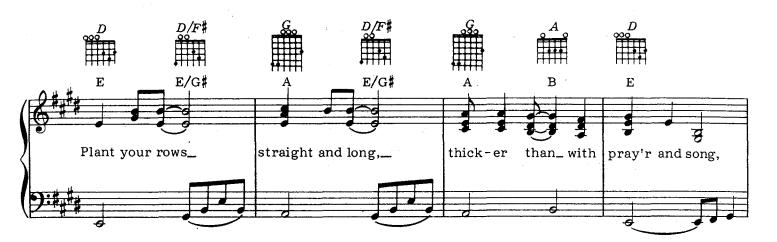




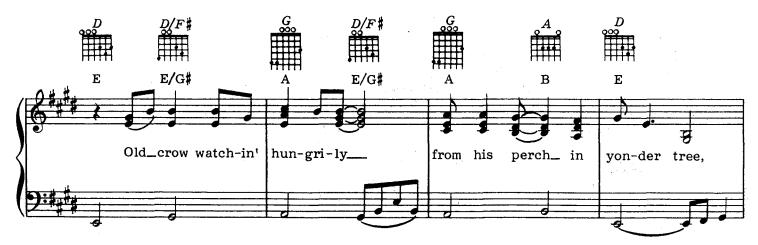


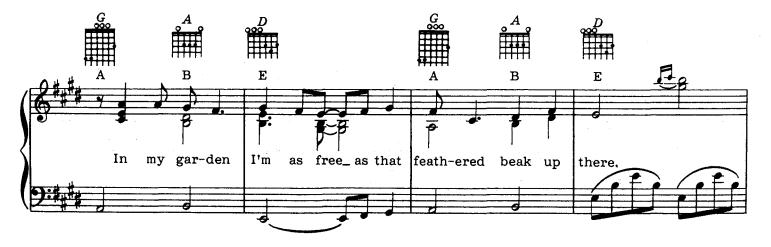


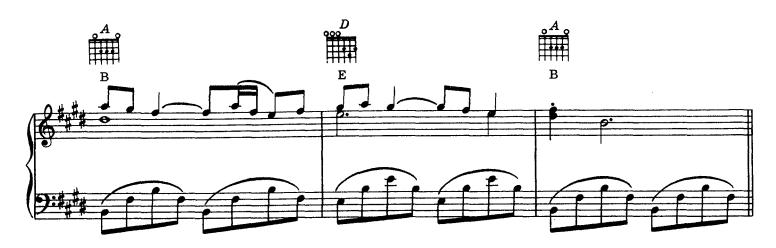


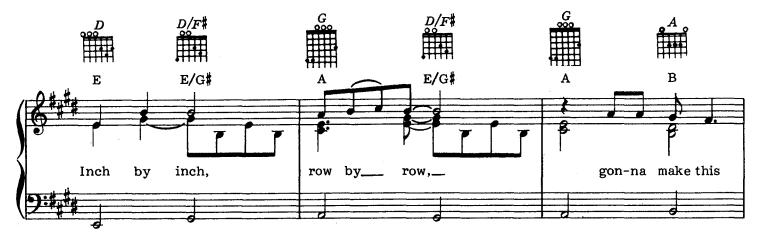


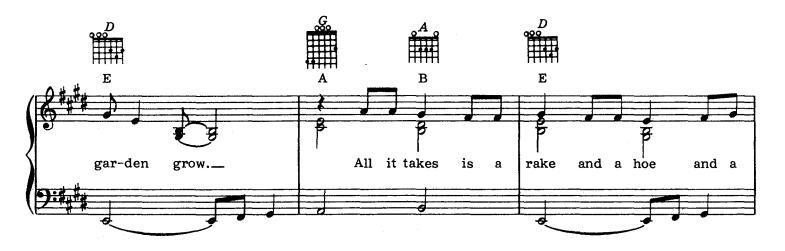


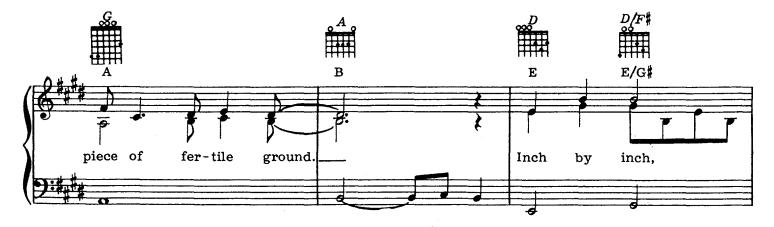


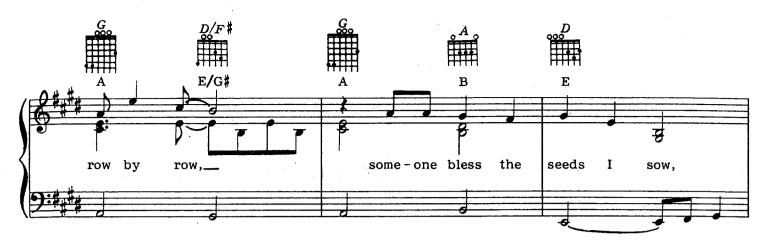


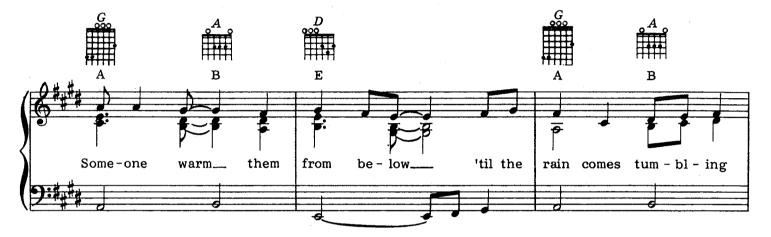




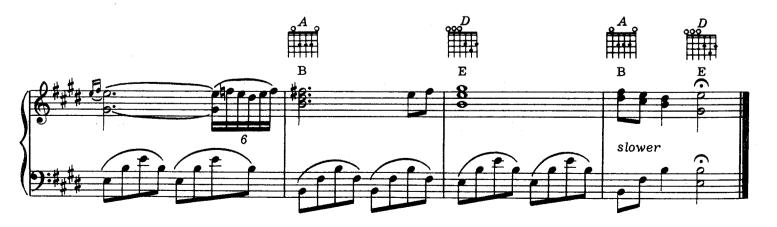












## **Goodbye Again**

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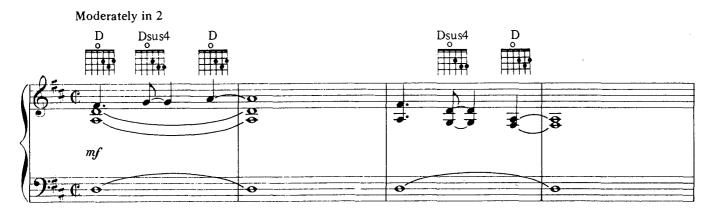


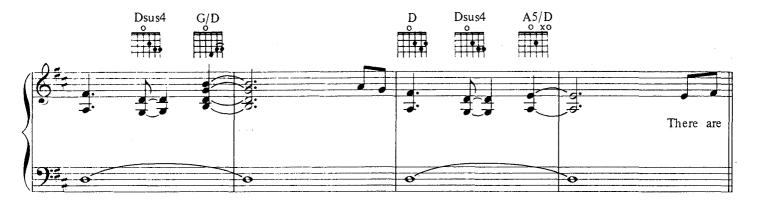
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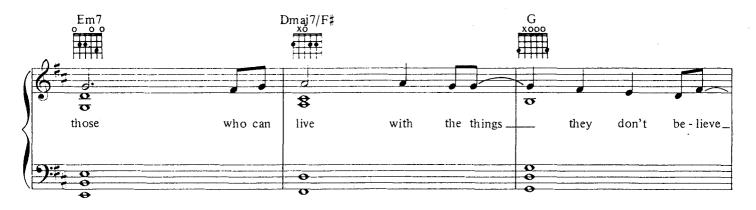


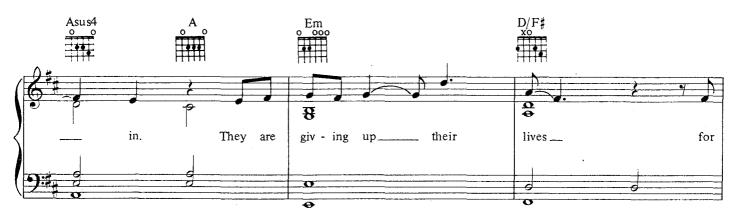
# **Higher Ground**

Words by John Denver and Joe Henry Music by John Denver and Lee Holdridge









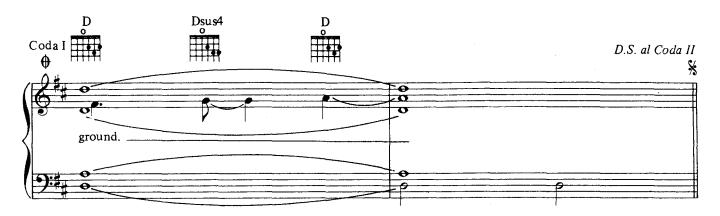
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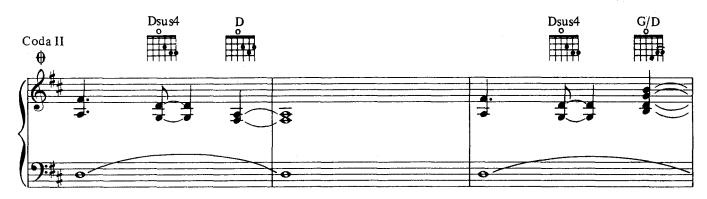
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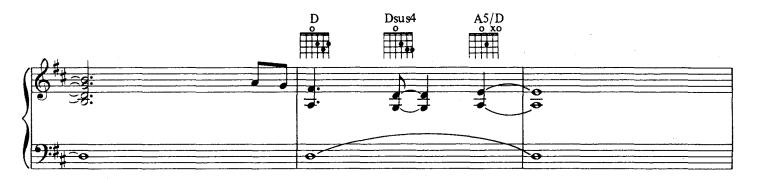


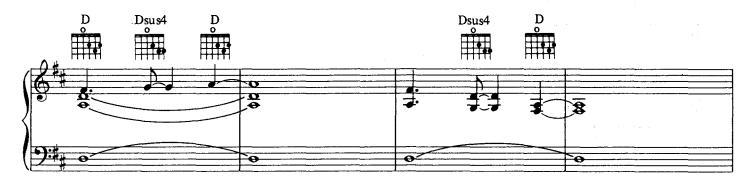


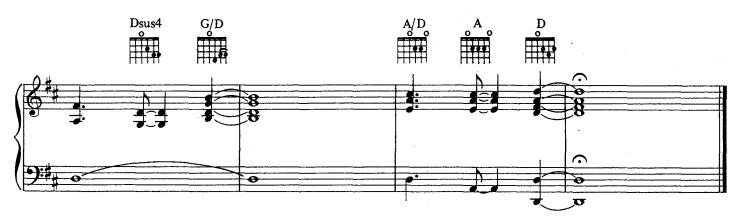










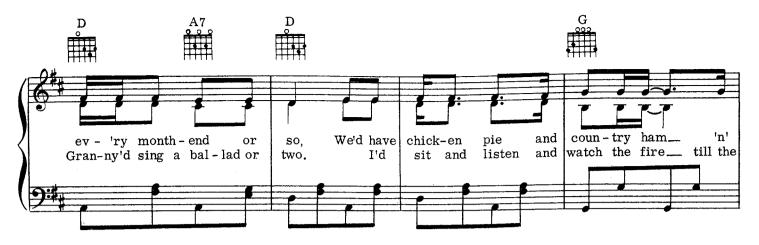


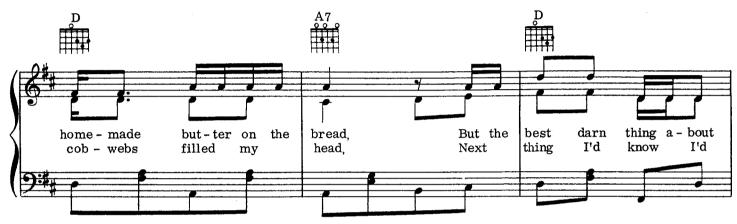
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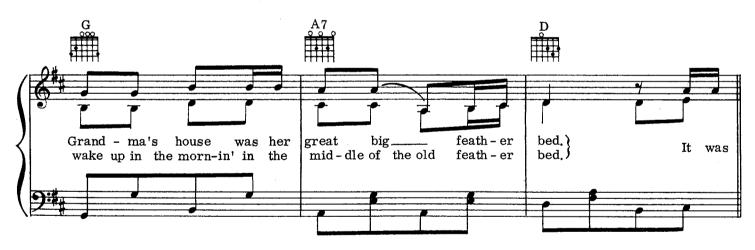
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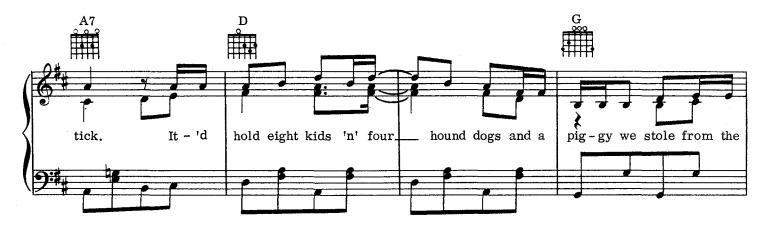


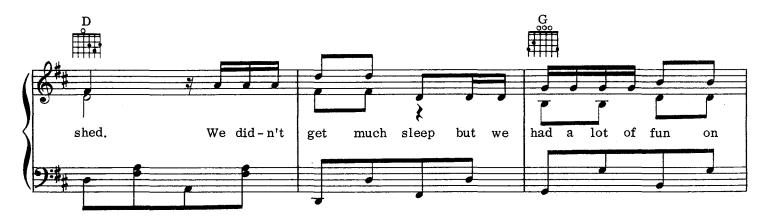


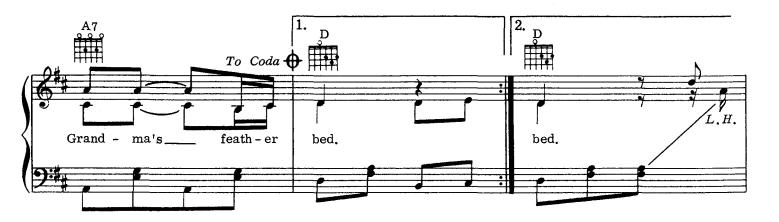


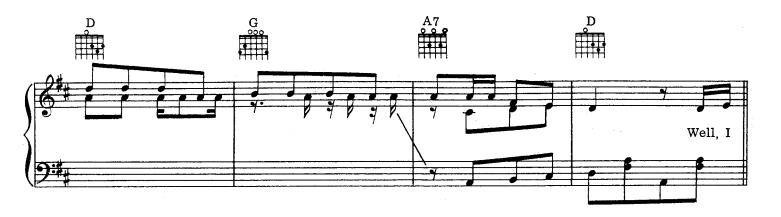
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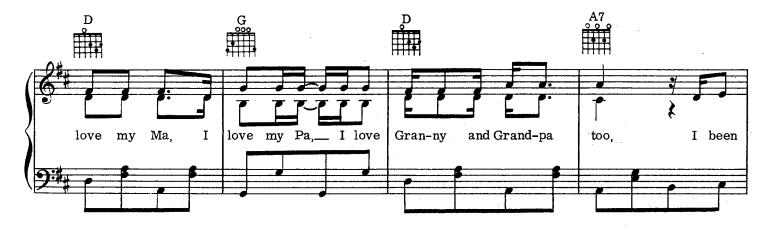


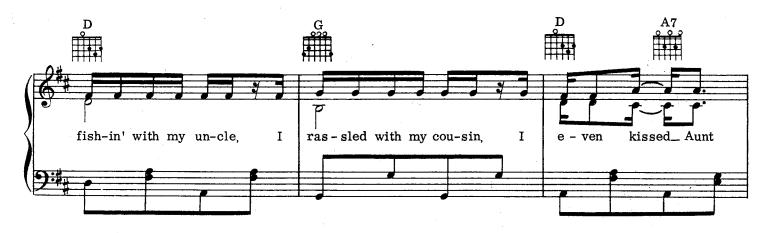


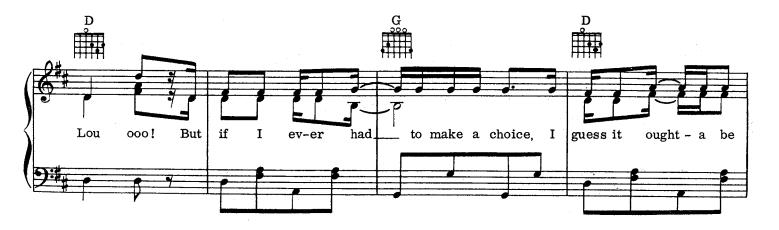






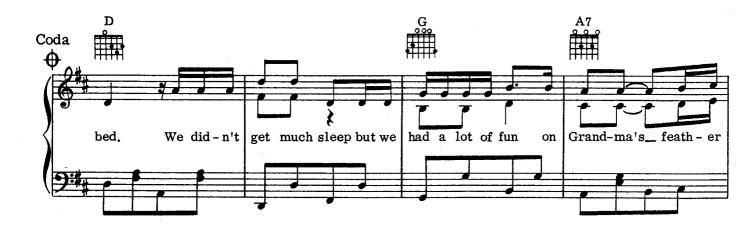


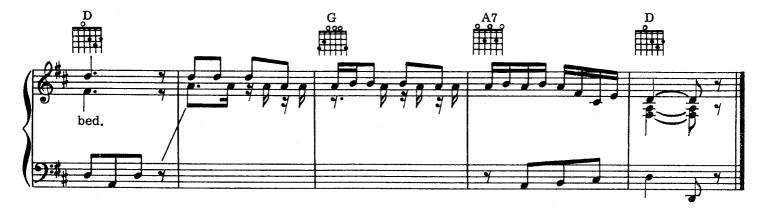






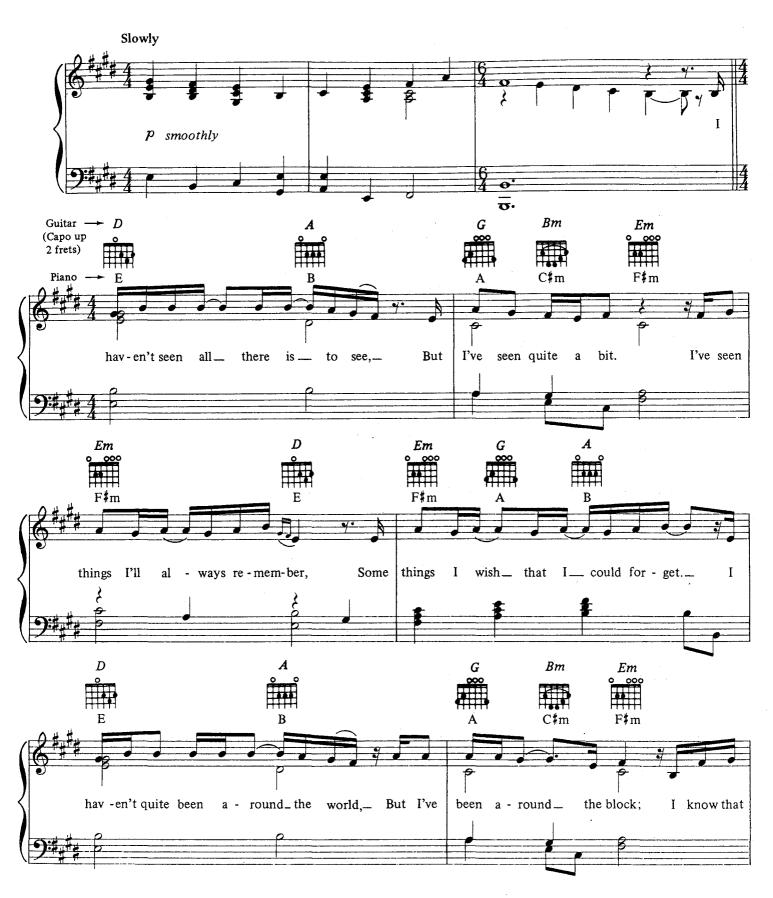






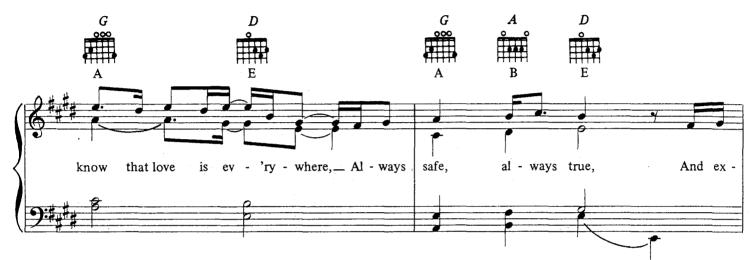
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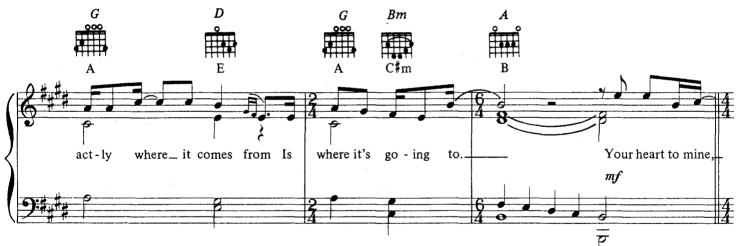
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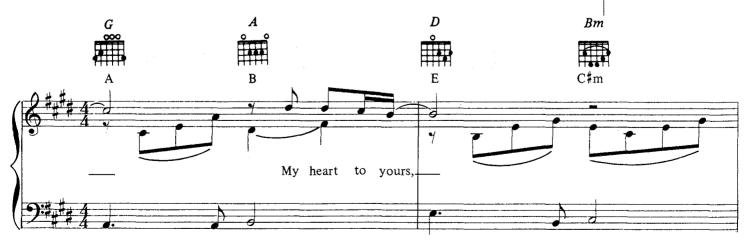


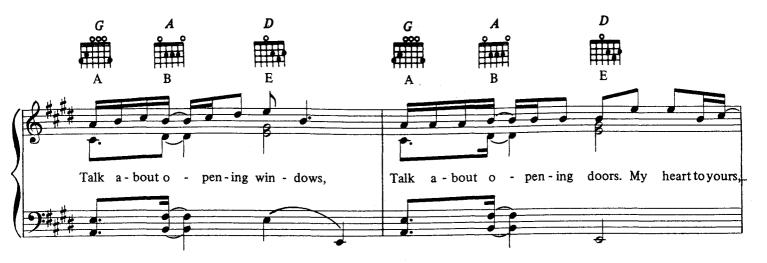
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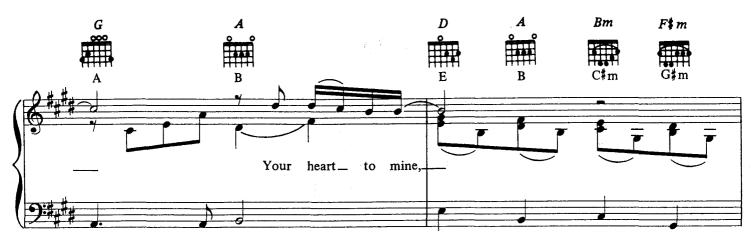


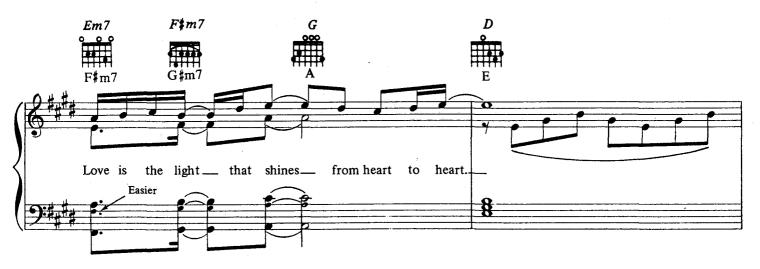


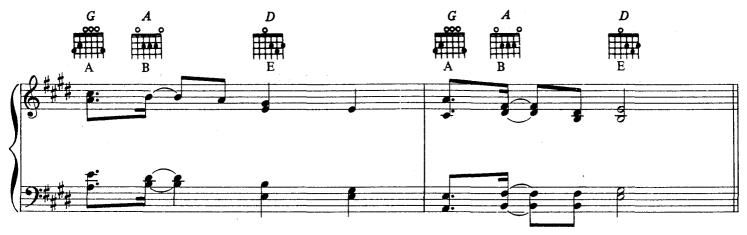


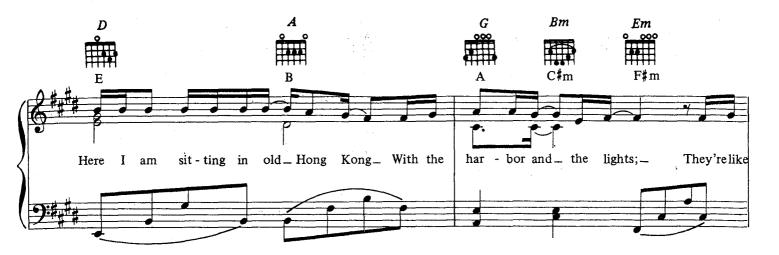


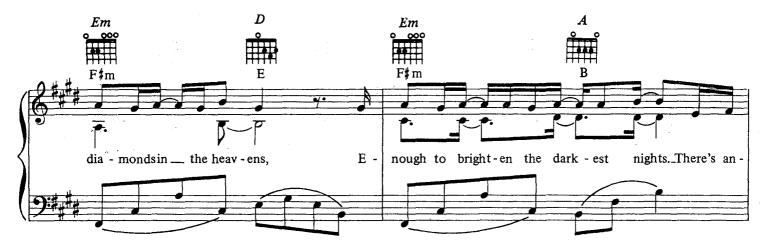


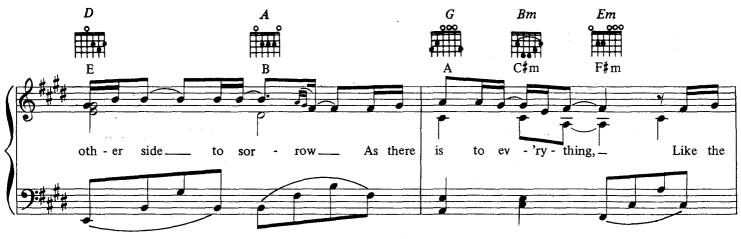


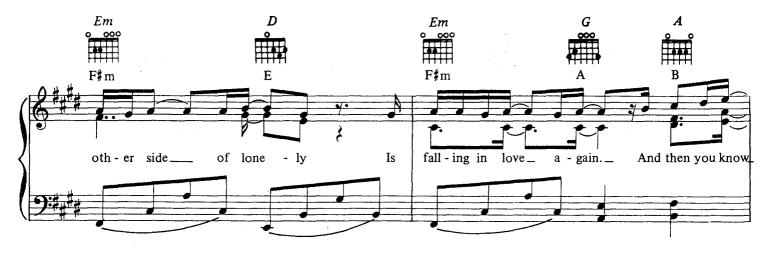


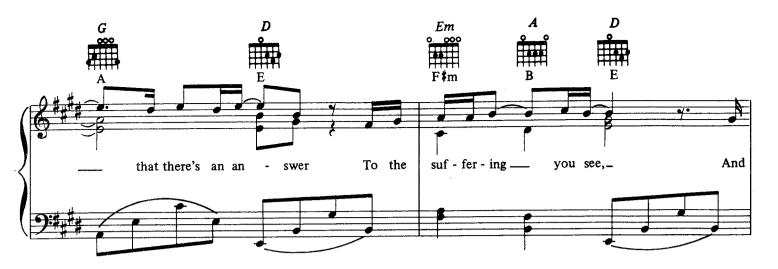


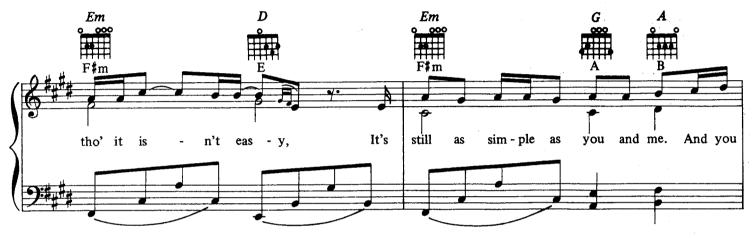


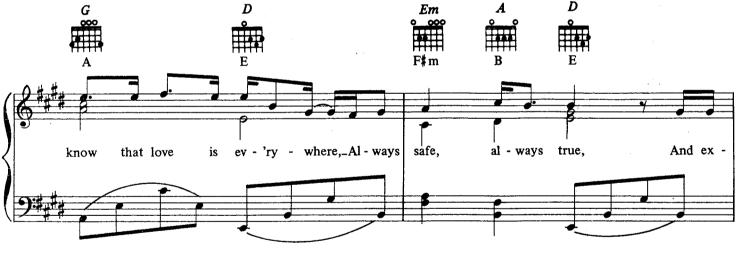


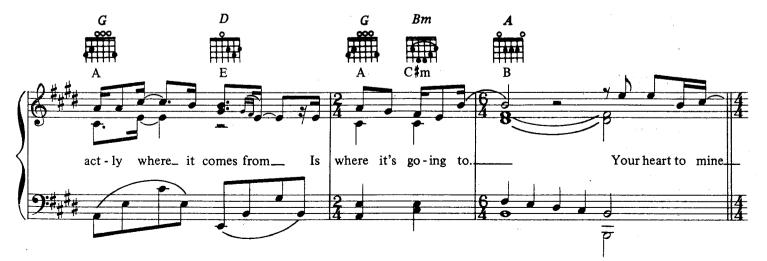


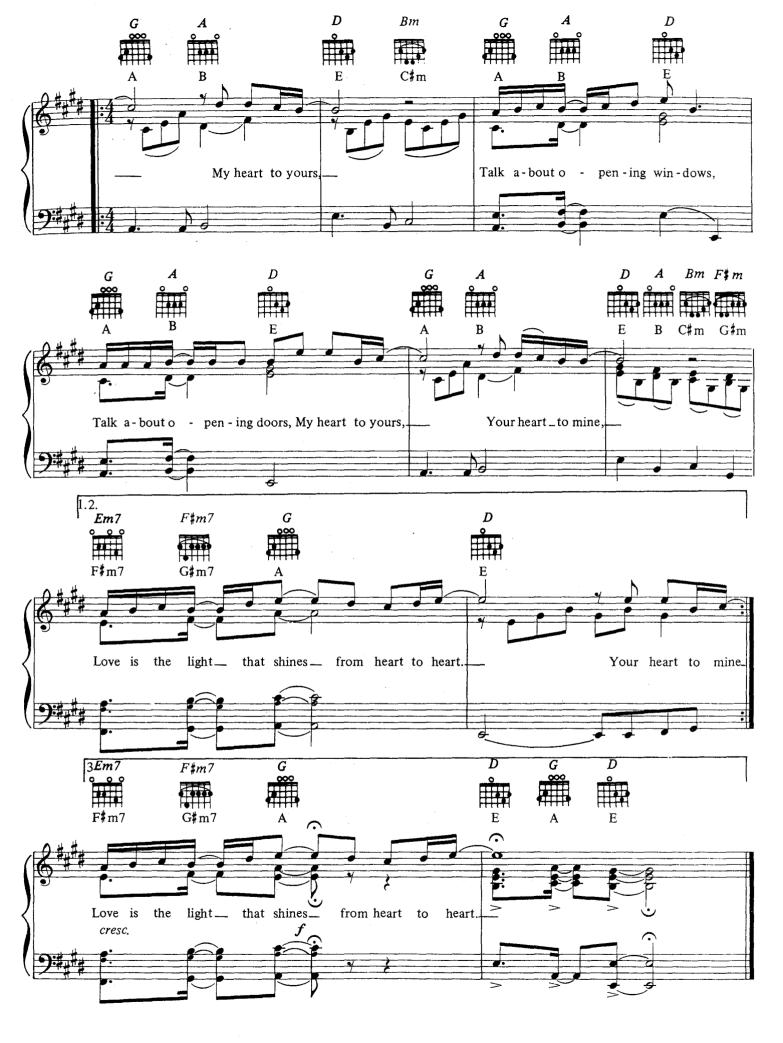








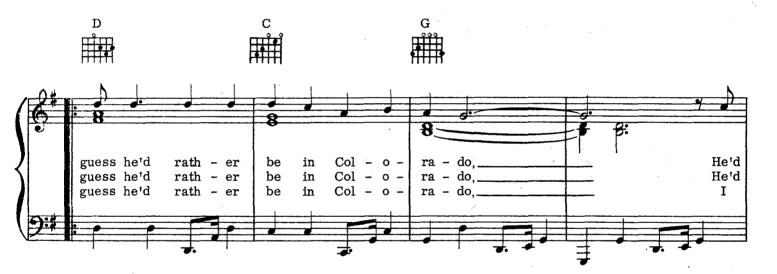


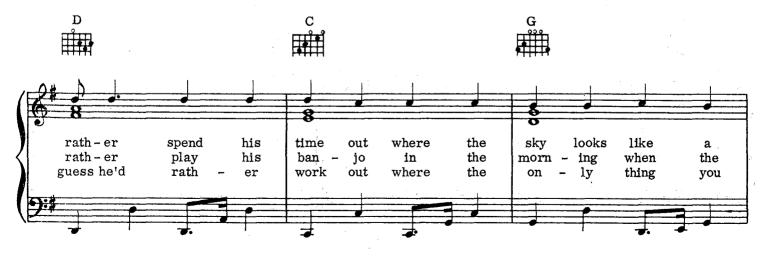


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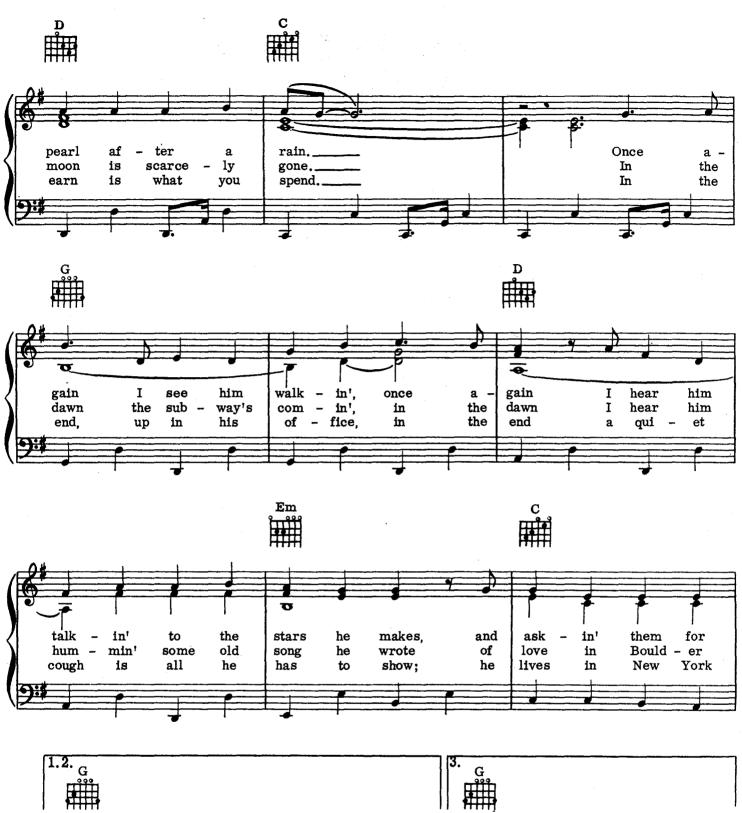
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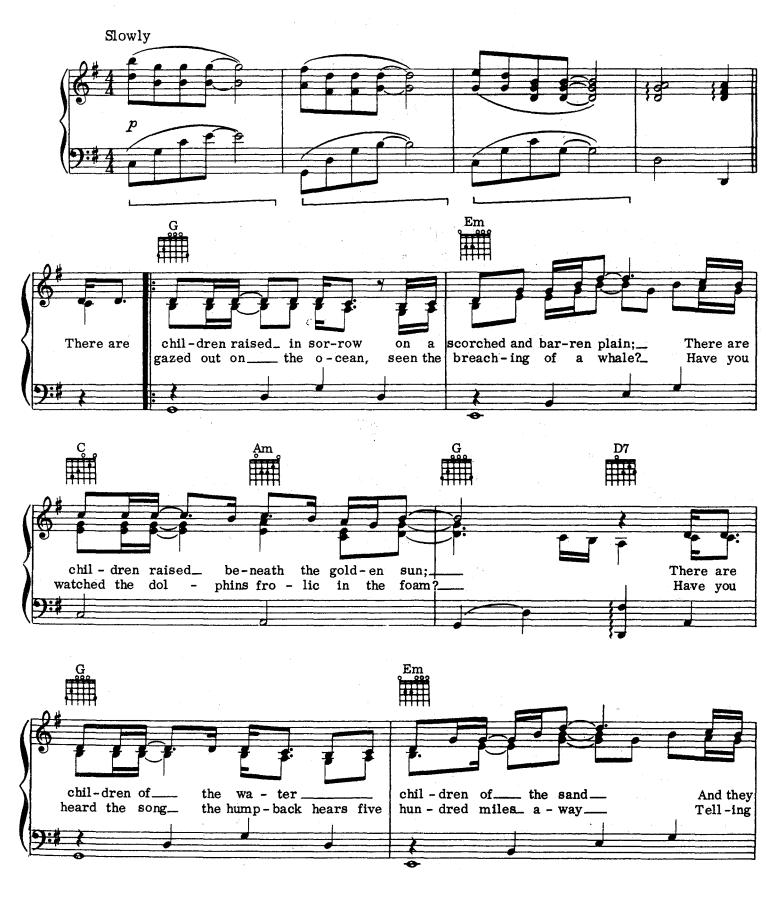
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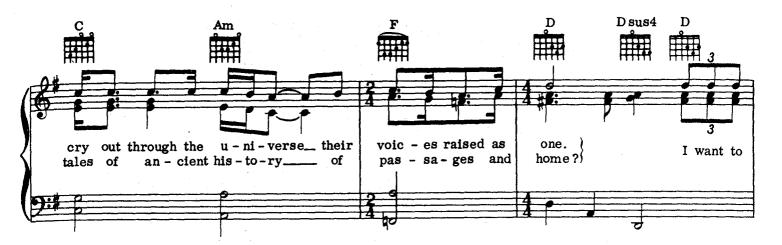


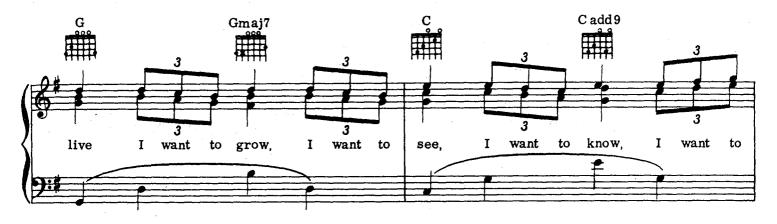
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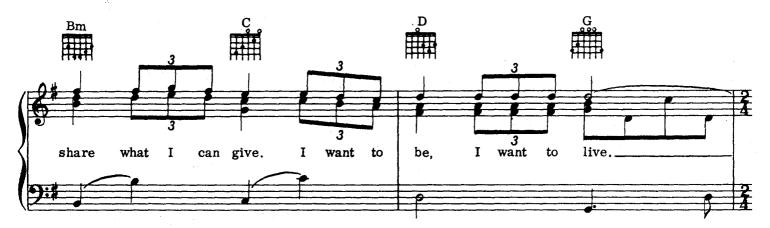
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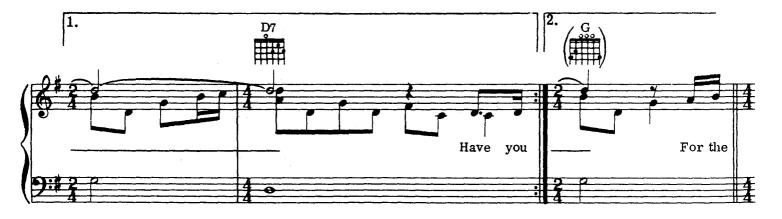


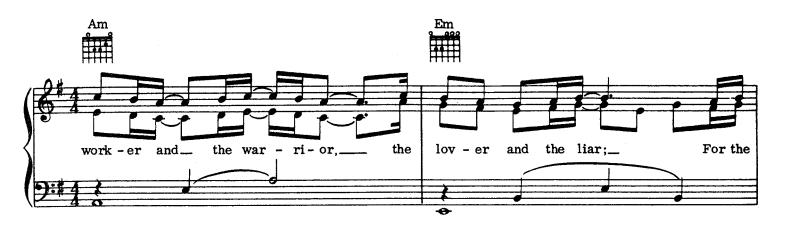
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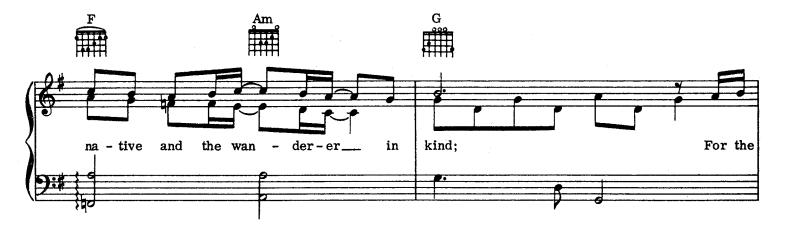


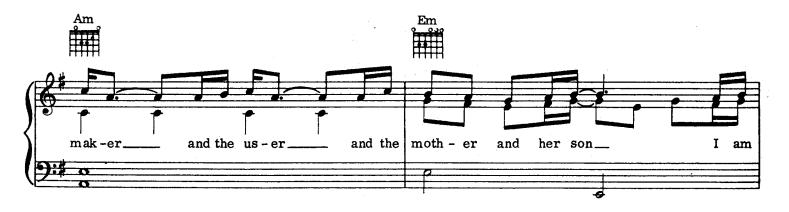


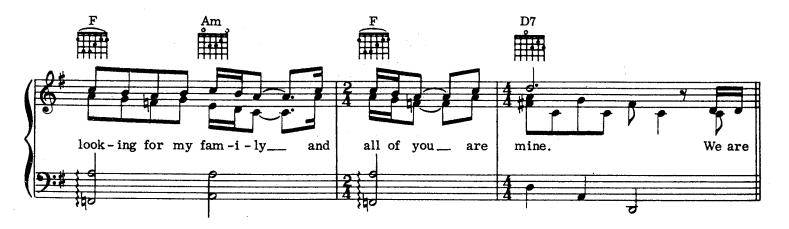


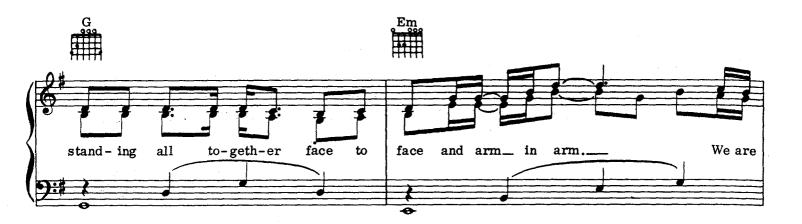


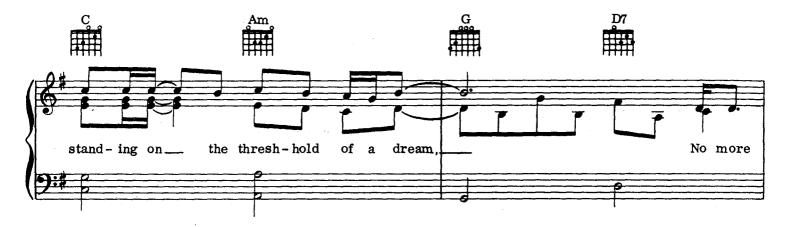


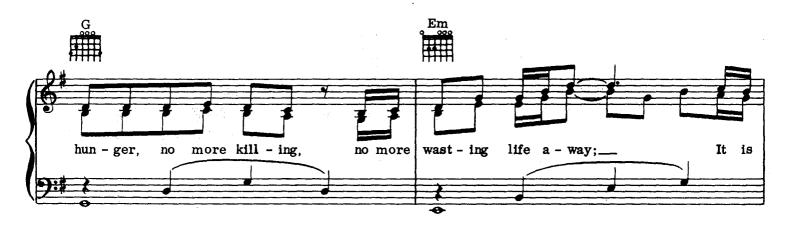


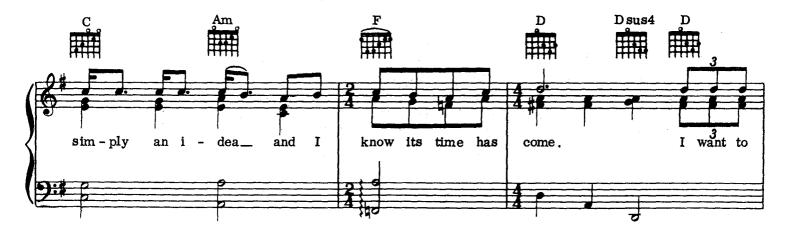


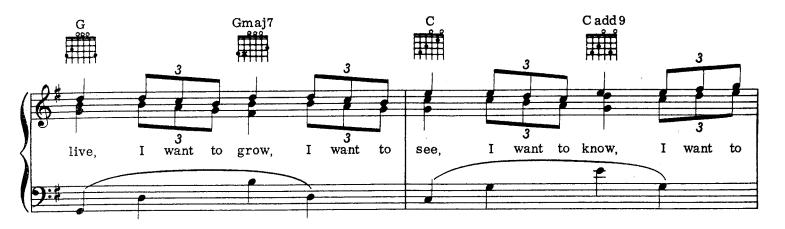




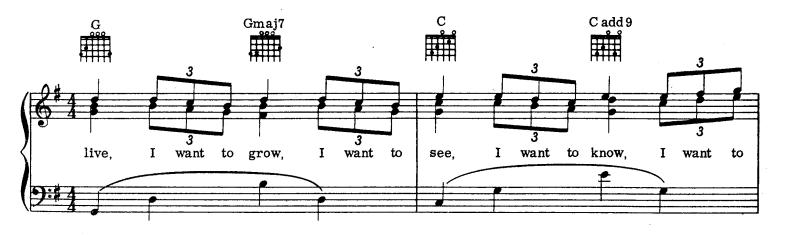


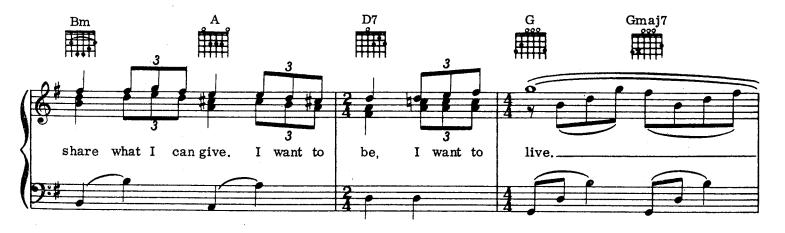


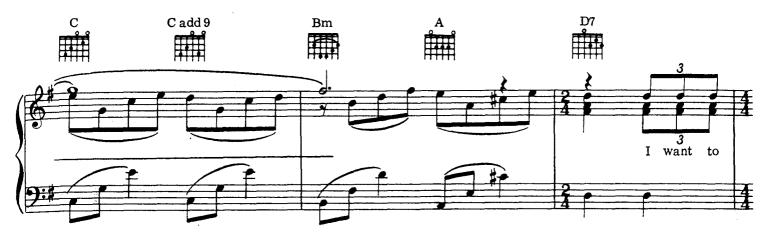


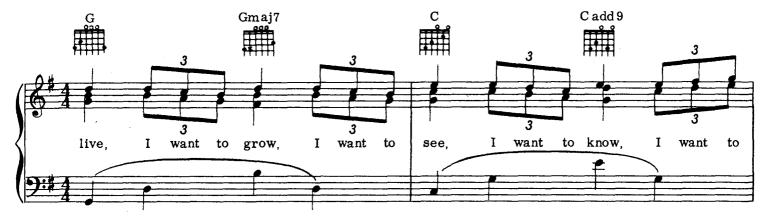


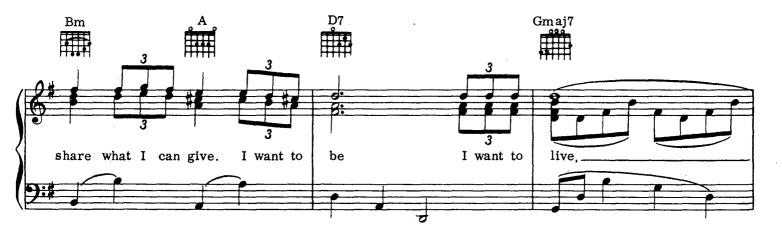


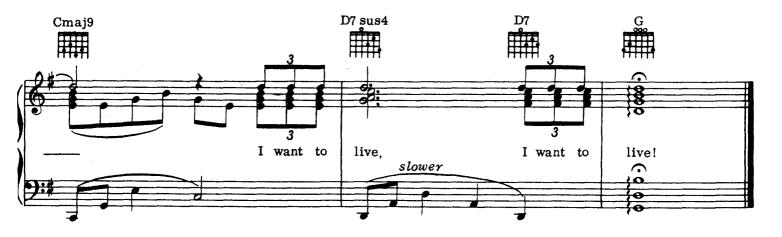






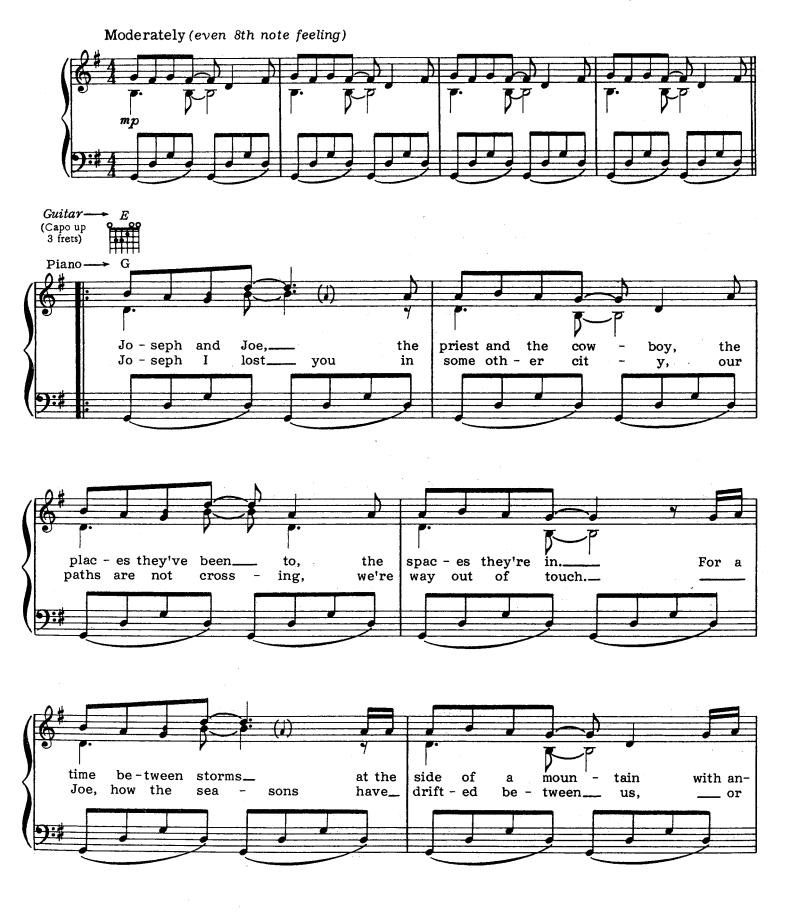




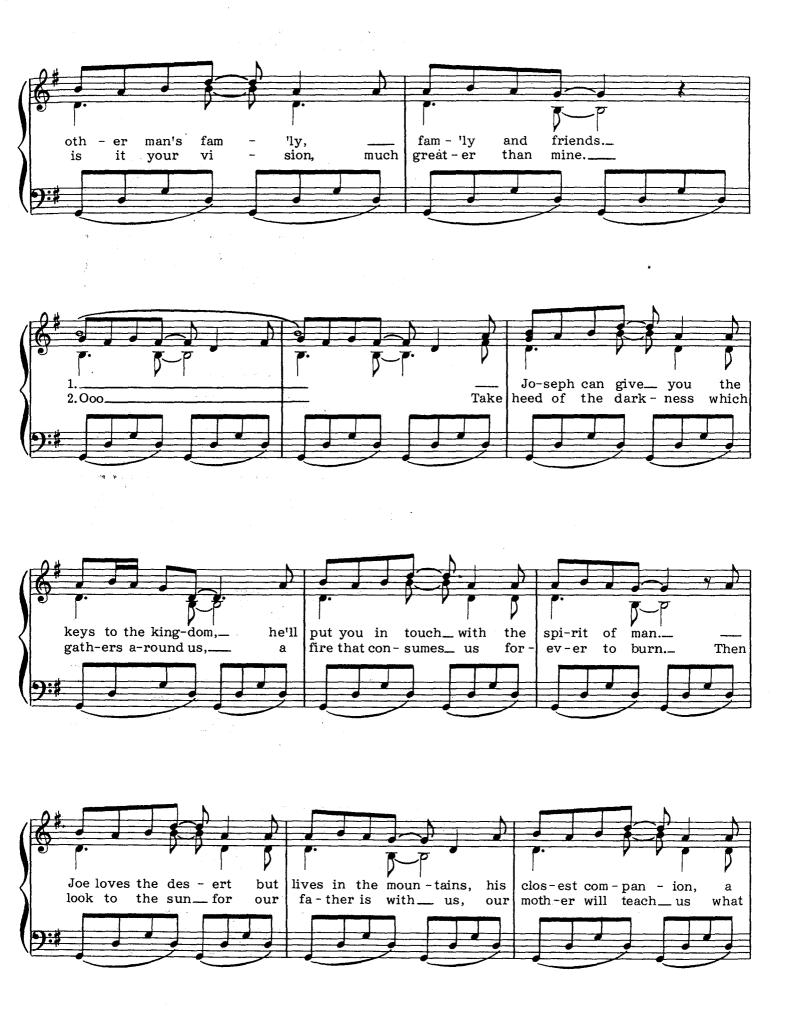


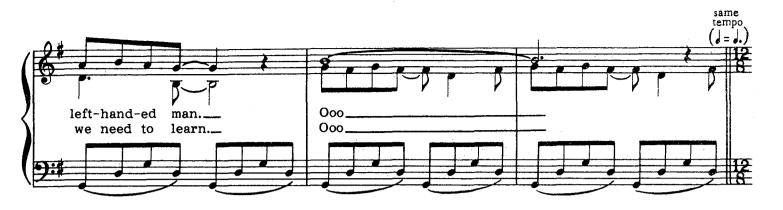
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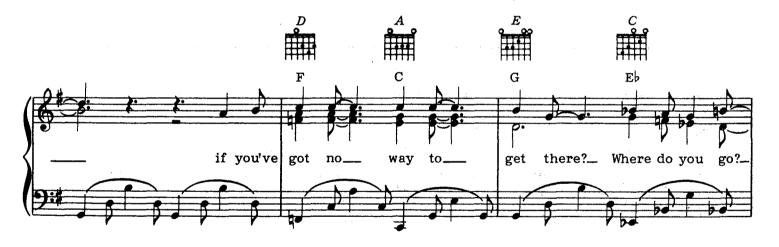


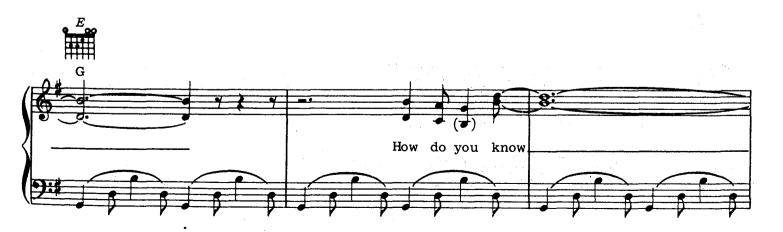
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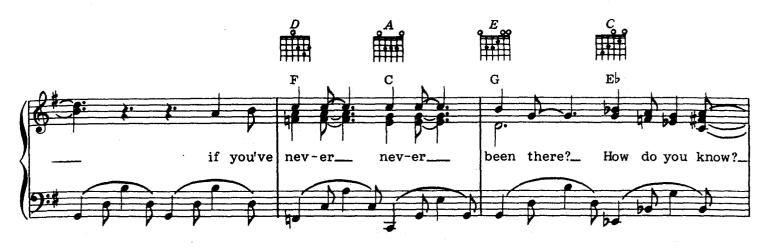


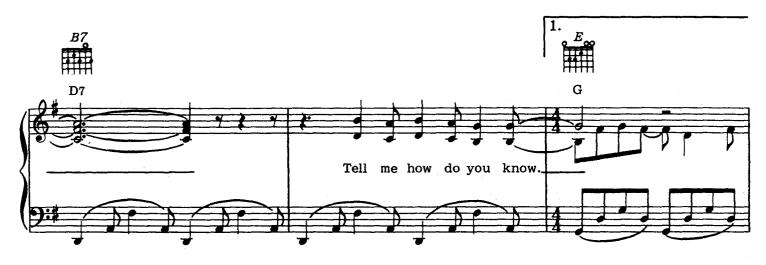




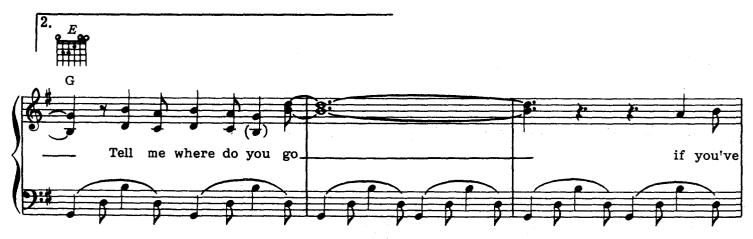


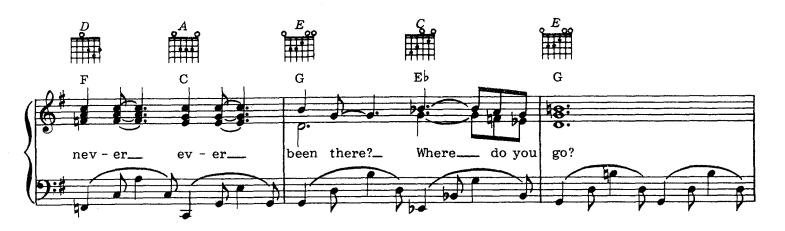




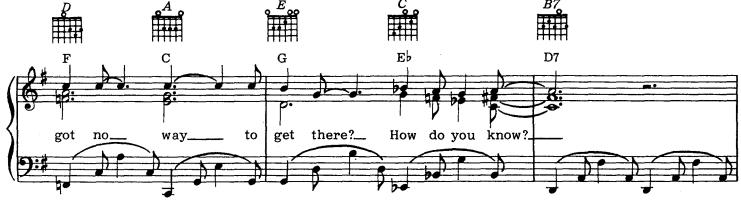


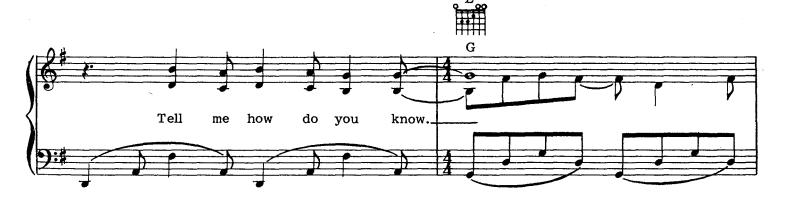














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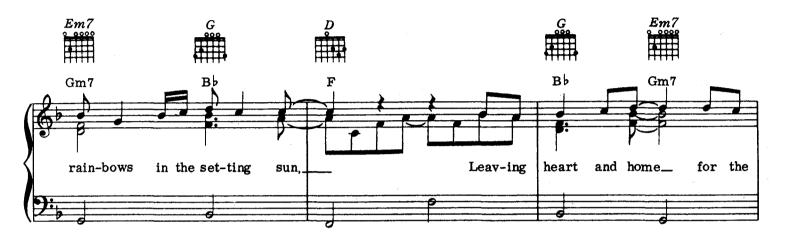
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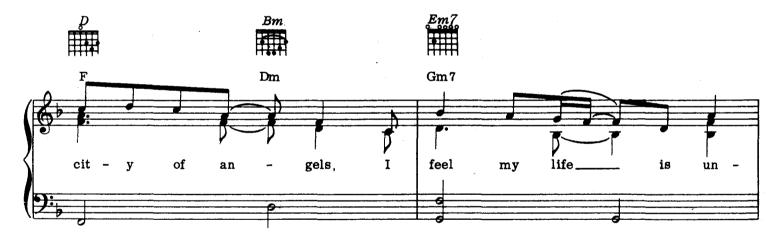


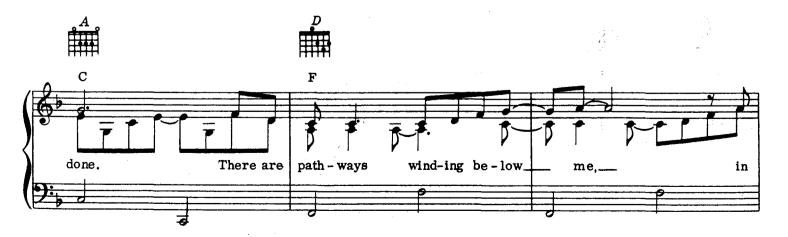
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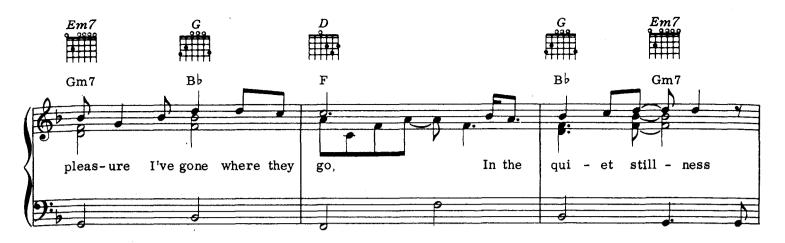


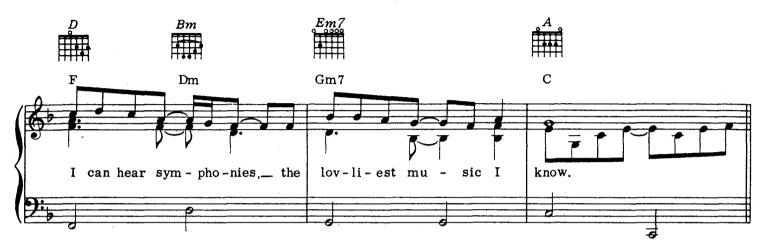


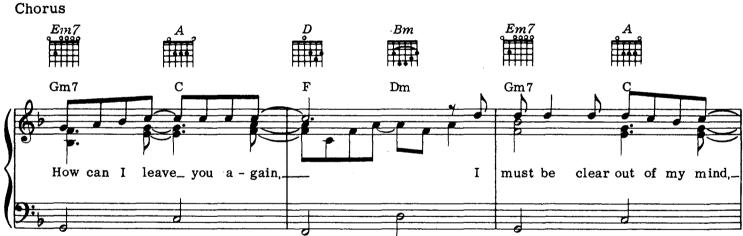




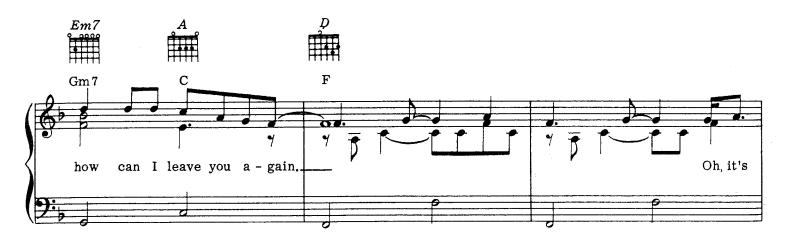






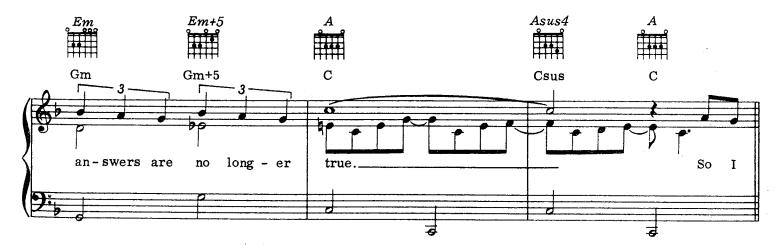




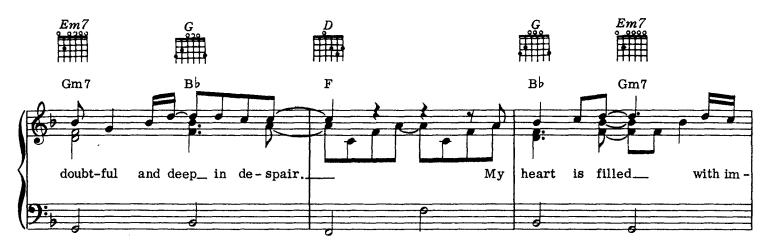




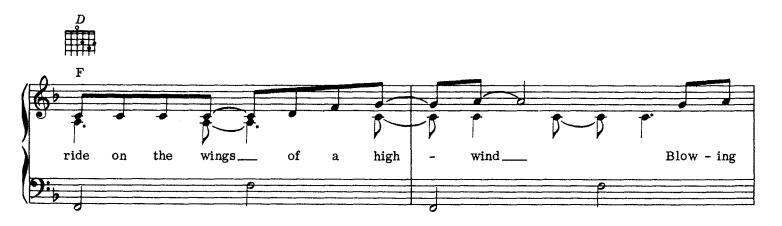


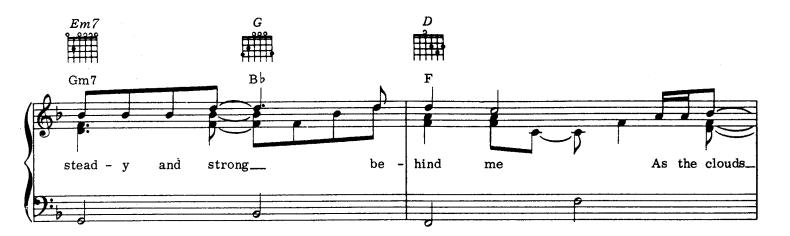


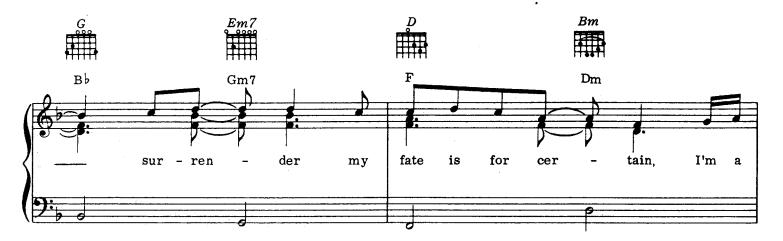


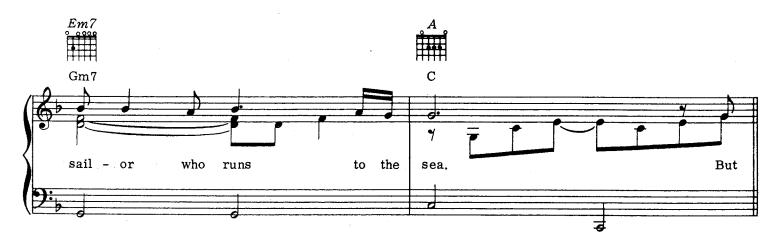


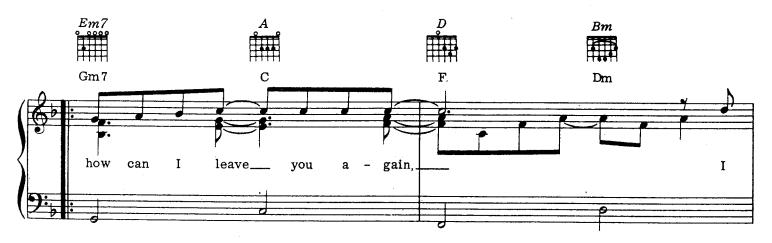


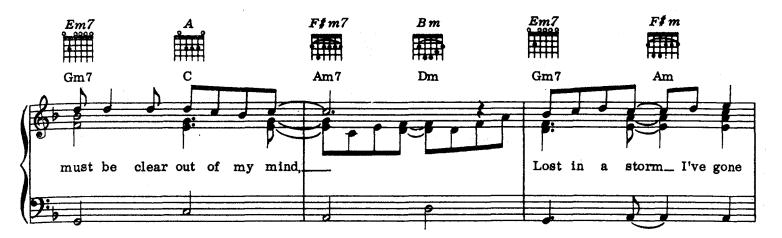


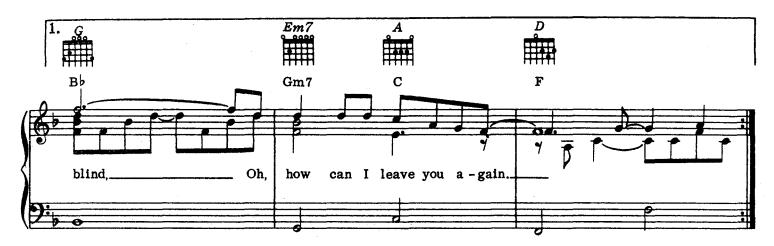


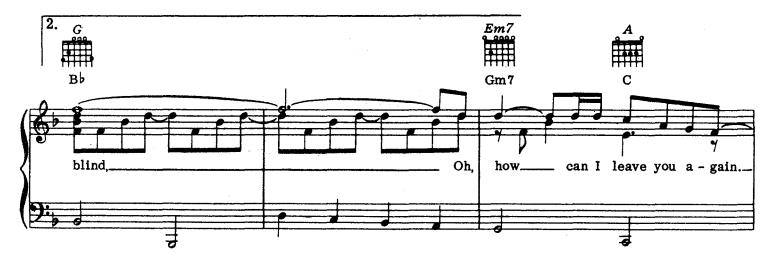














#### Leaving On A Jet Plane

Words and Music by John Denver





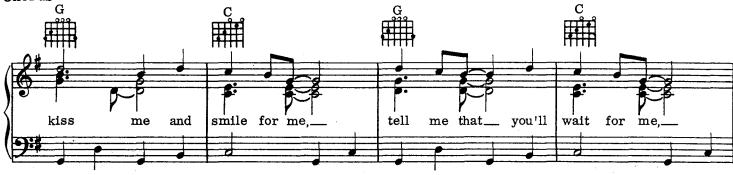




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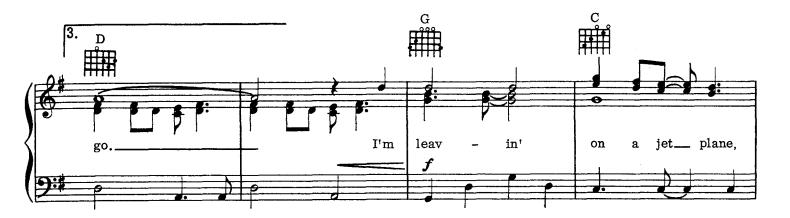
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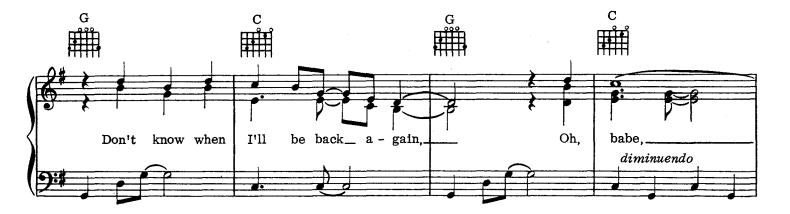
















### I'd Rather Be A Cowboy (Lady's Chains)

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\*Guitarists: Tune sixth string down to D.

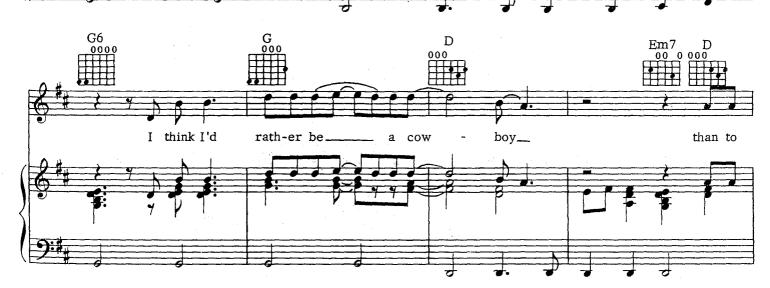
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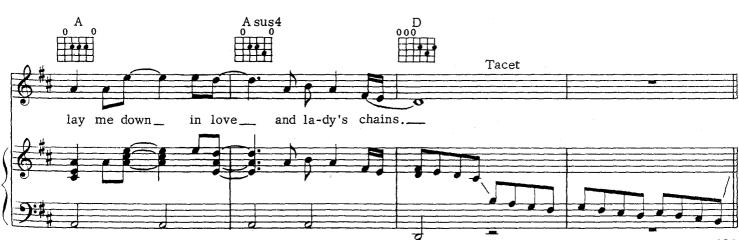






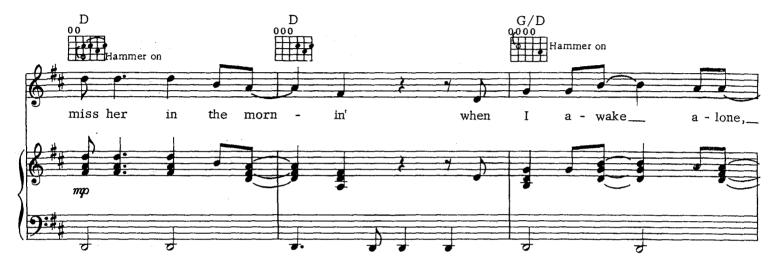


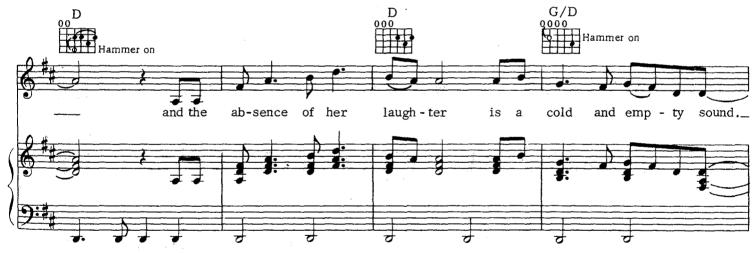


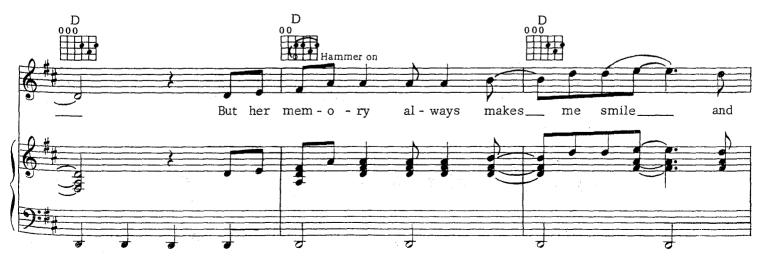
















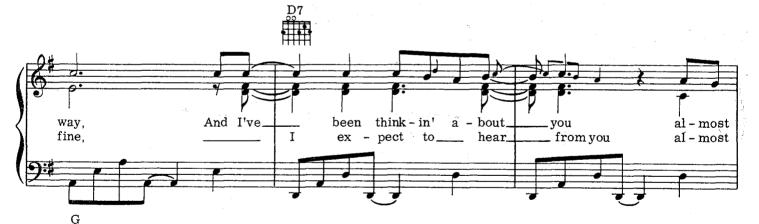


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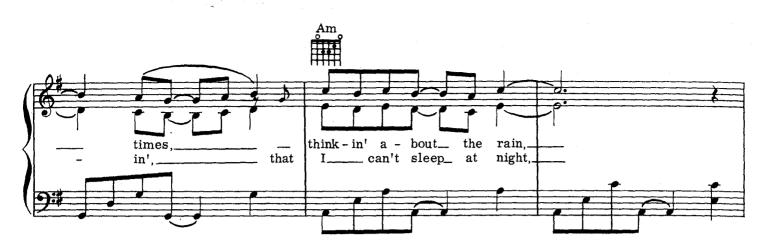


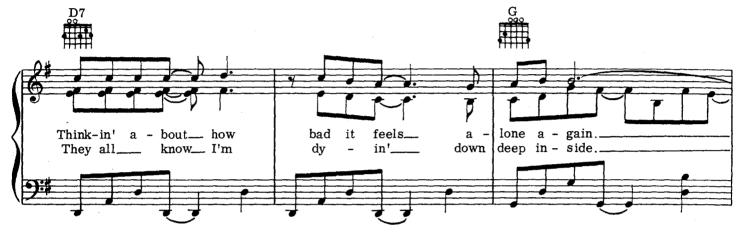


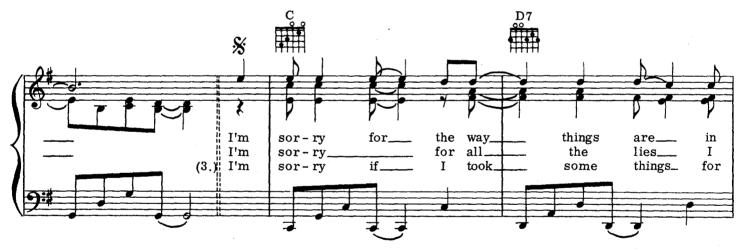




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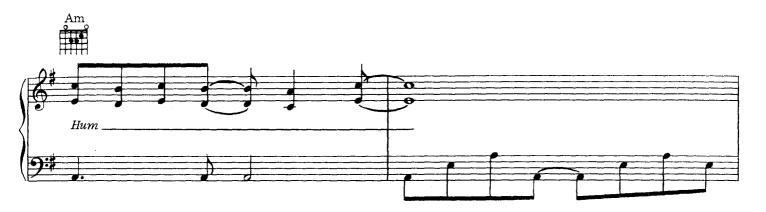




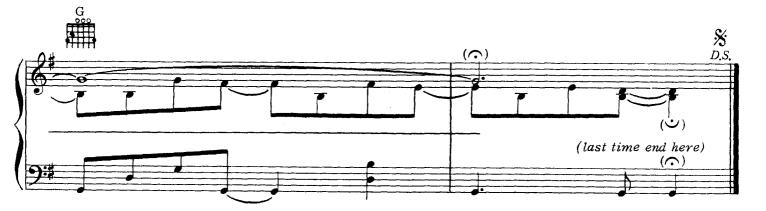












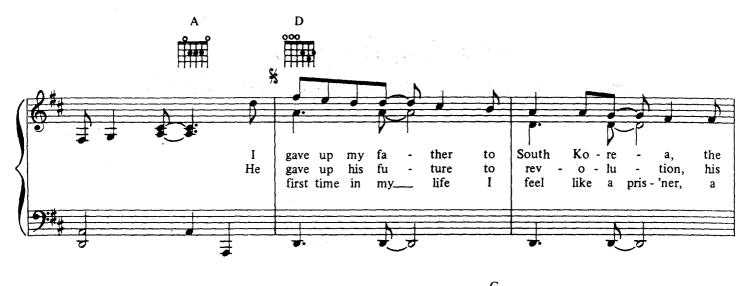
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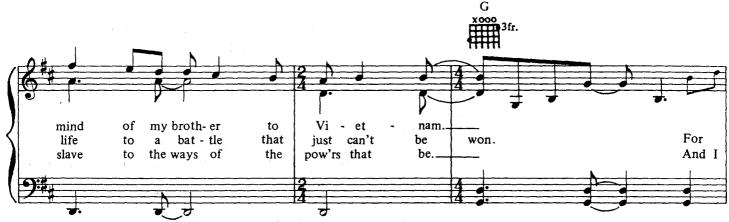


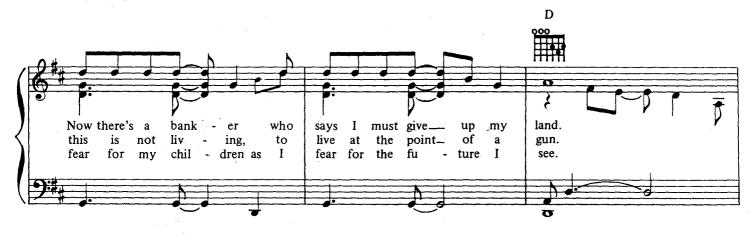
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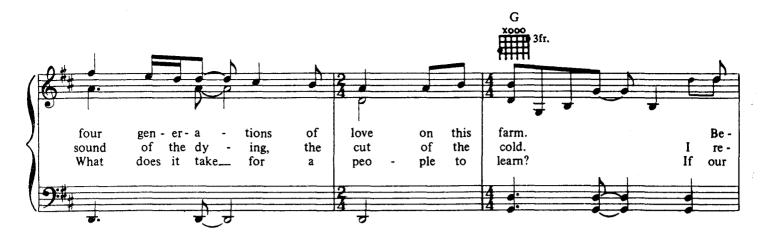






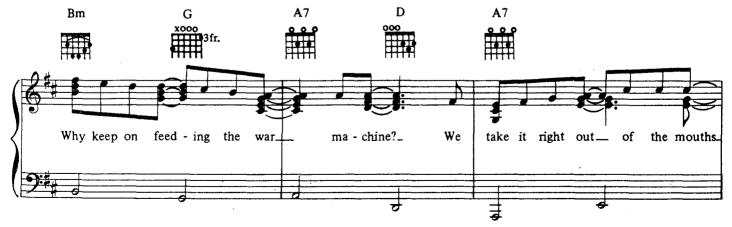


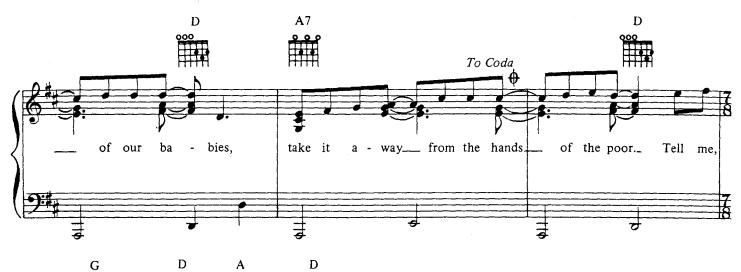
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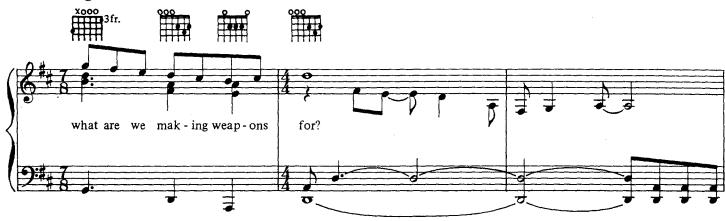


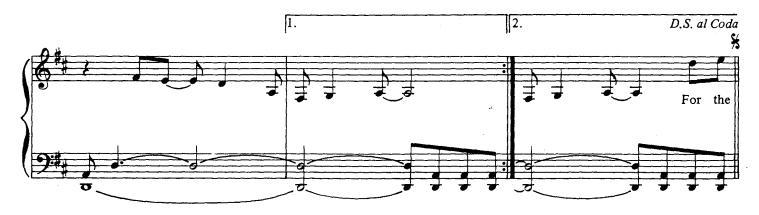


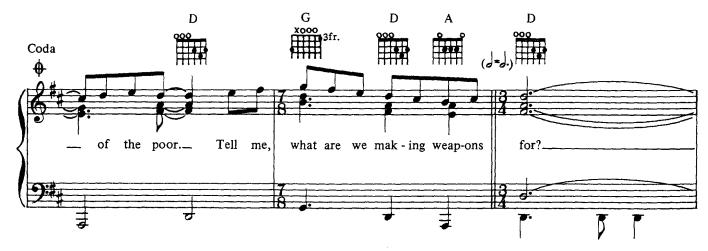






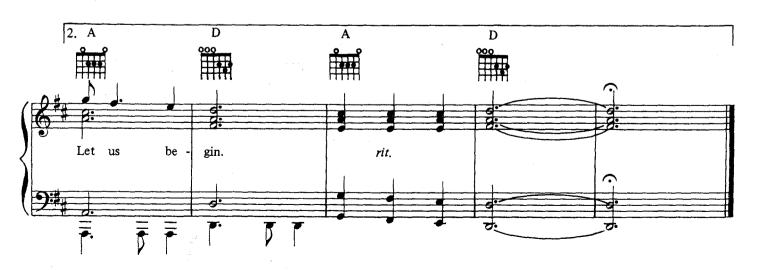












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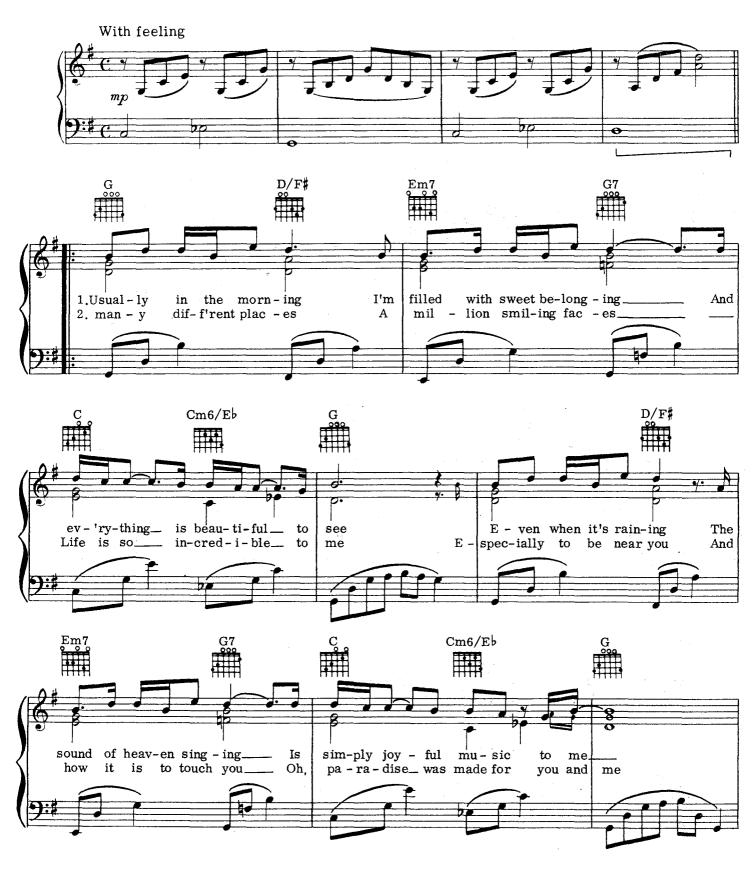
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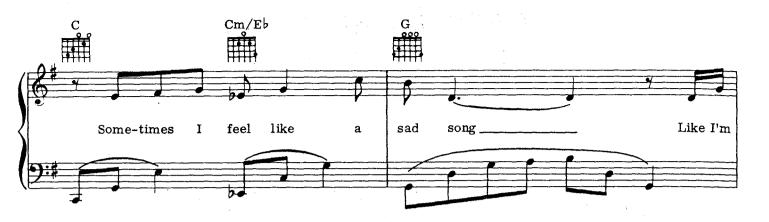
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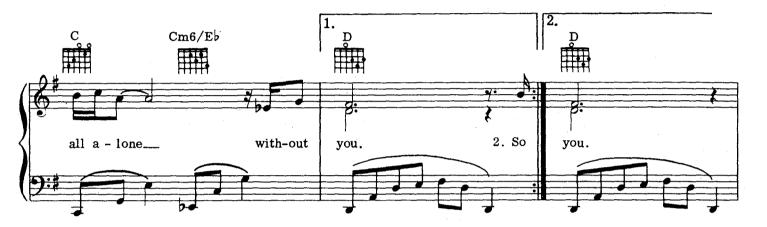
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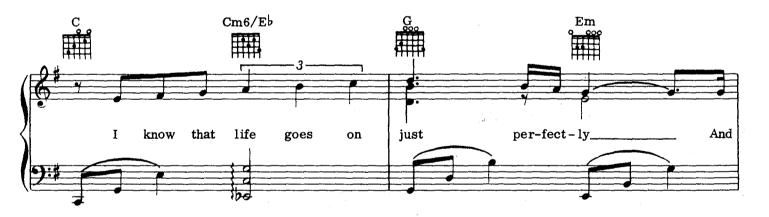
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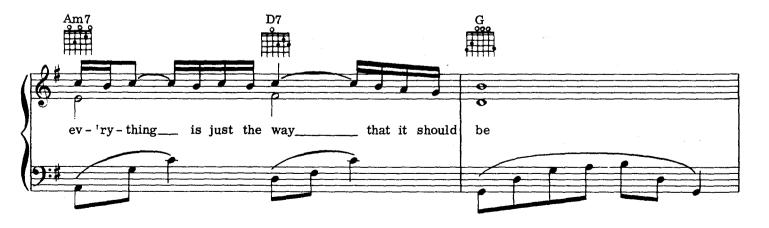


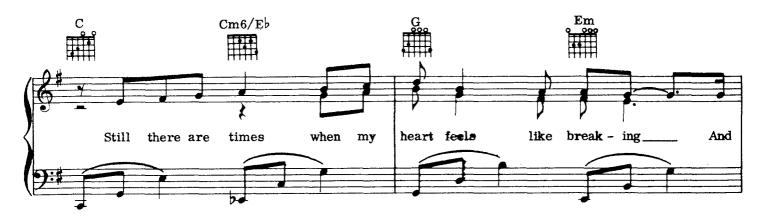
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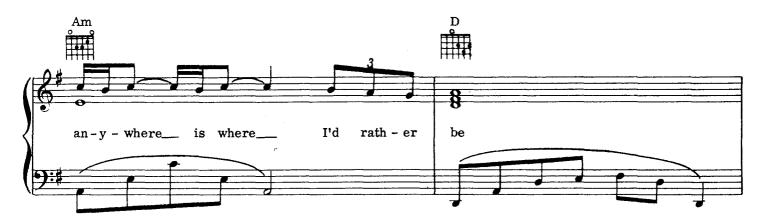


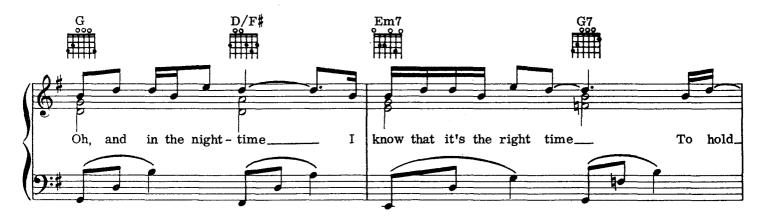


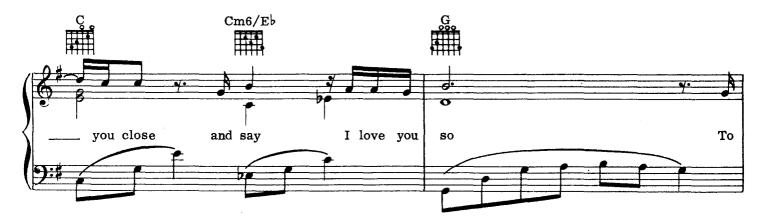


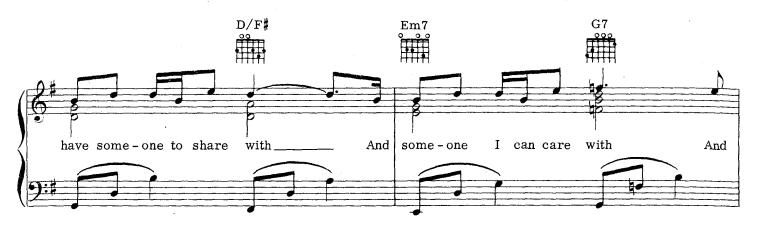


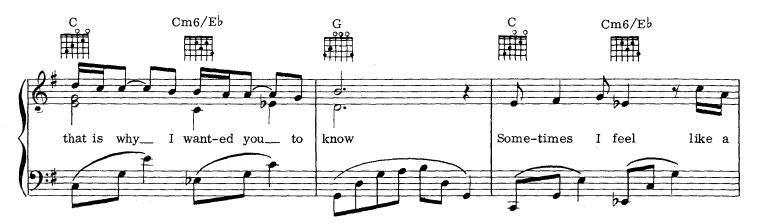


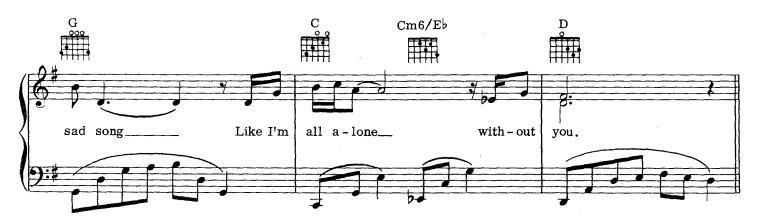


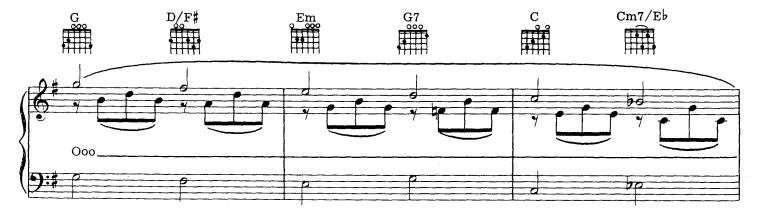


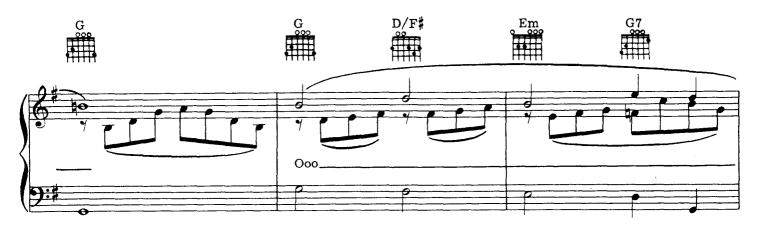


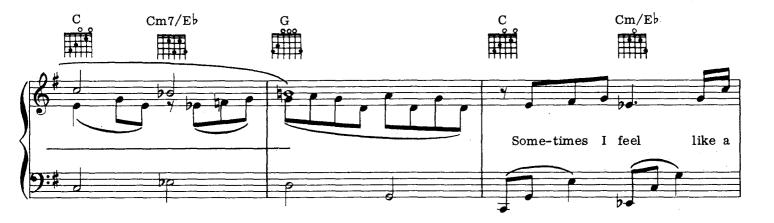


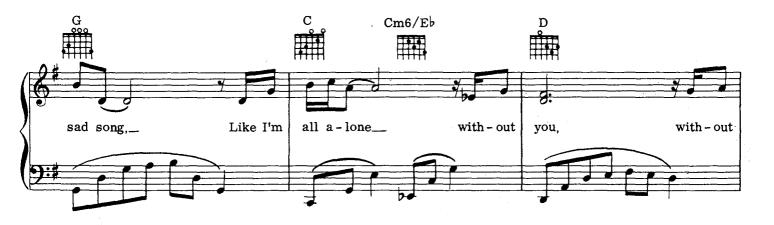


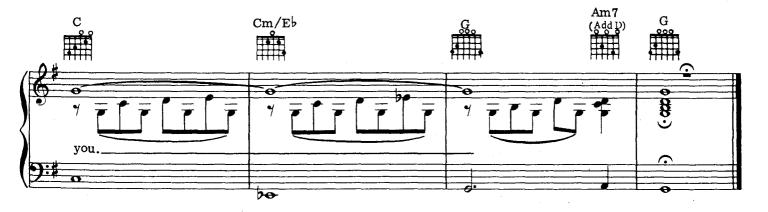








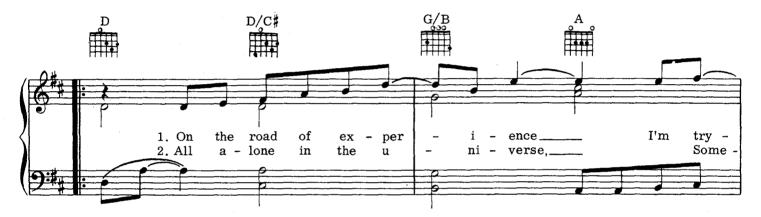


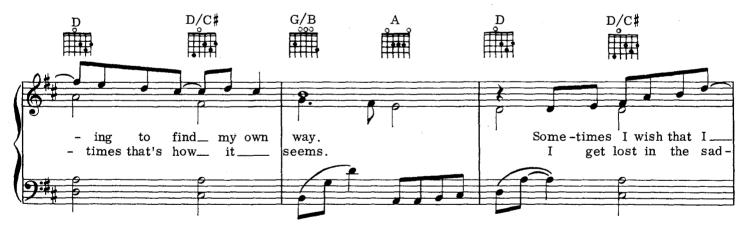


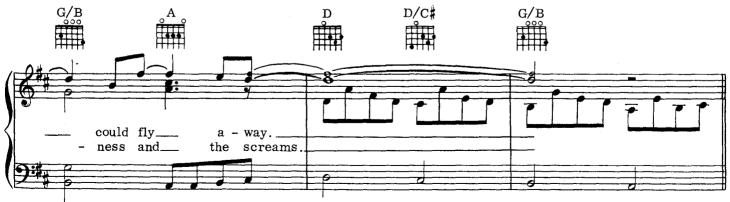
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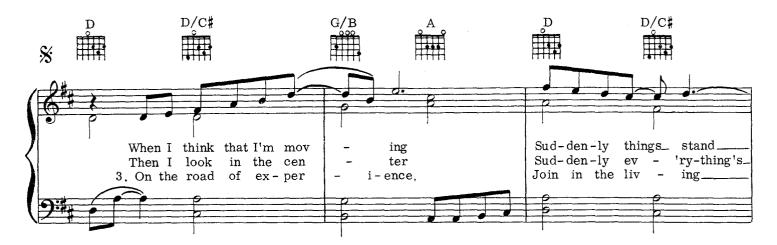
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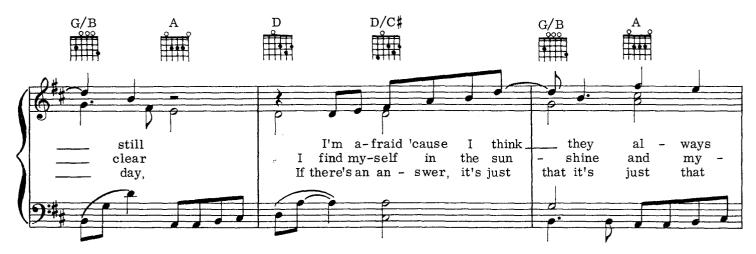




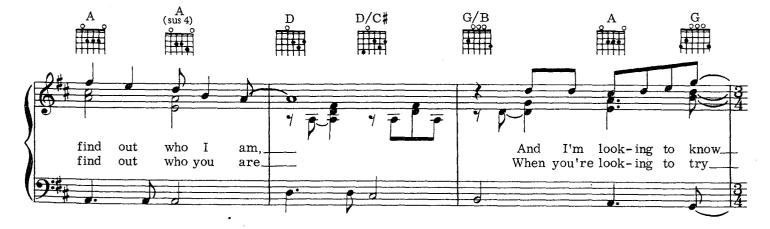


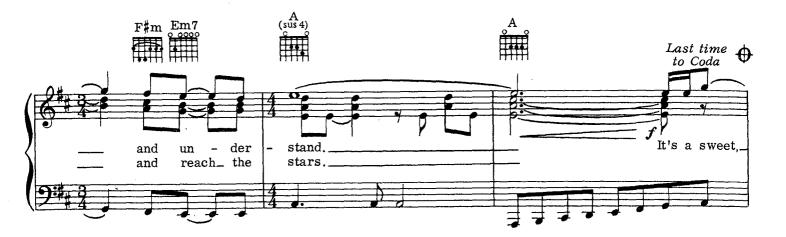




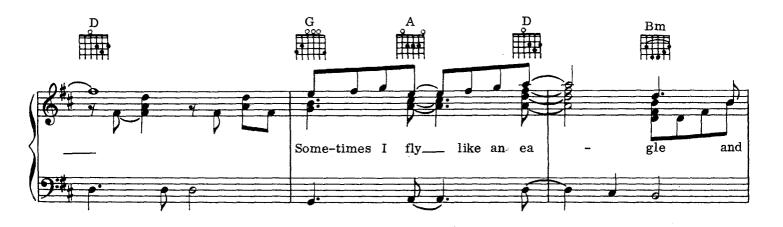


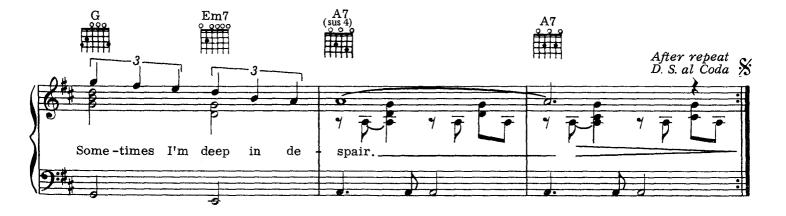




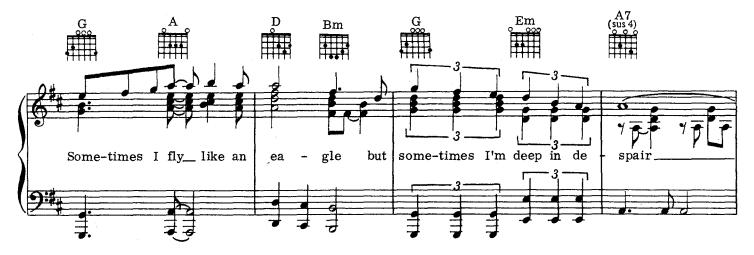


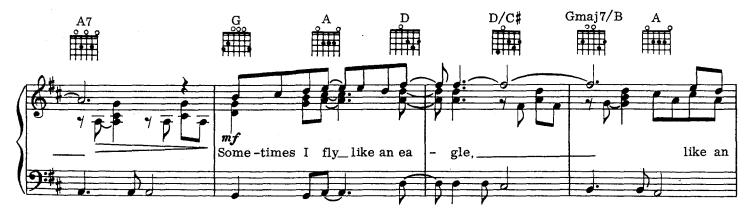


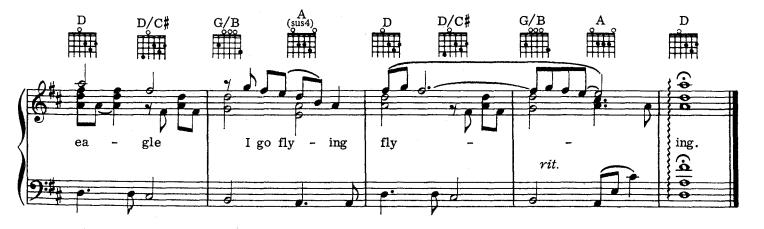








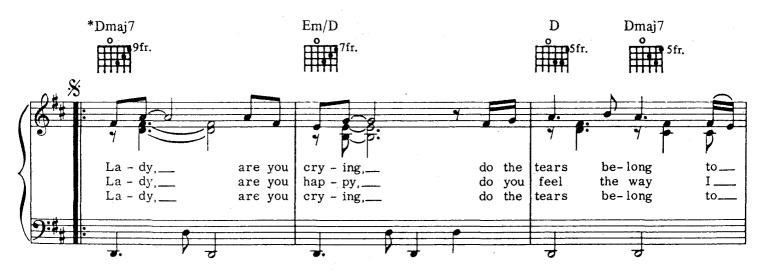


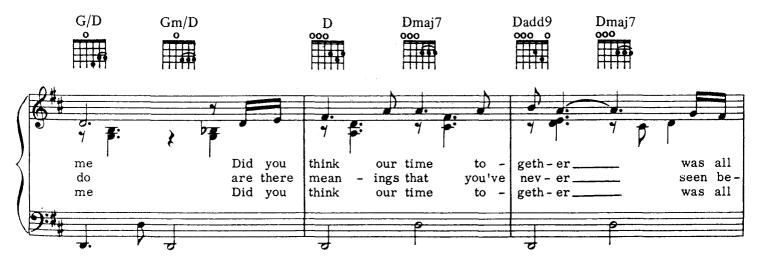


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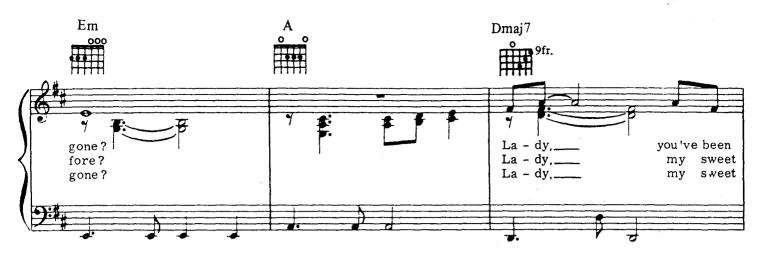


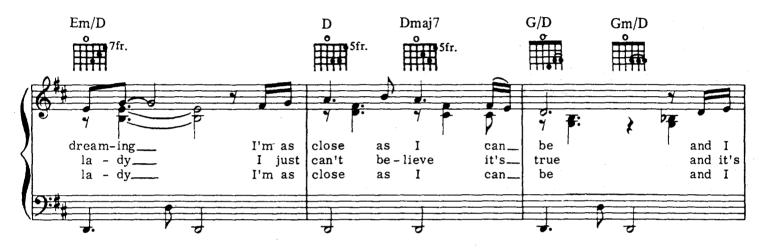


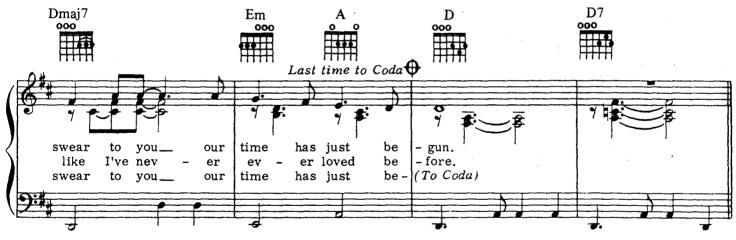


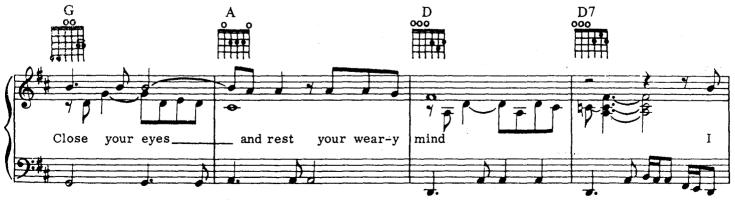
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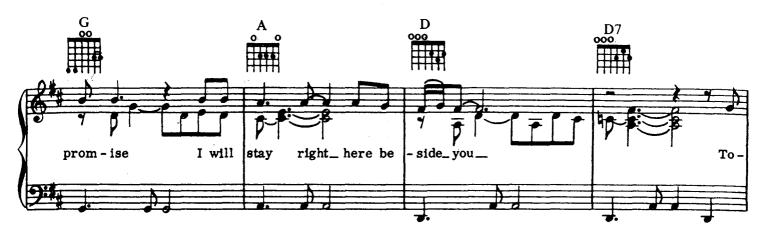
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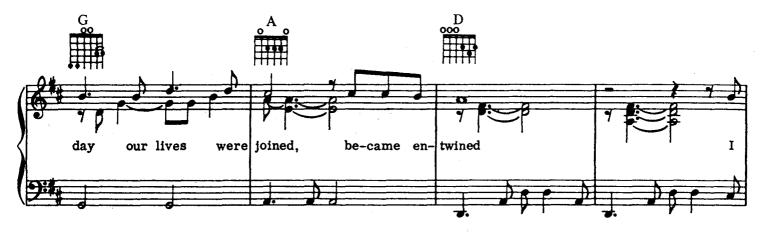


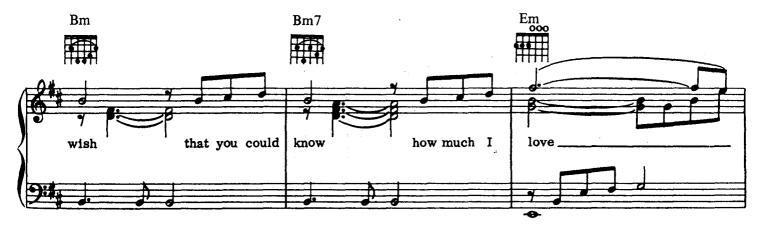














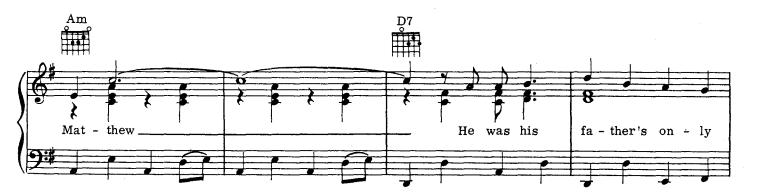


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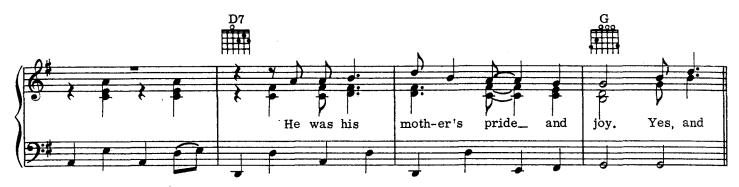


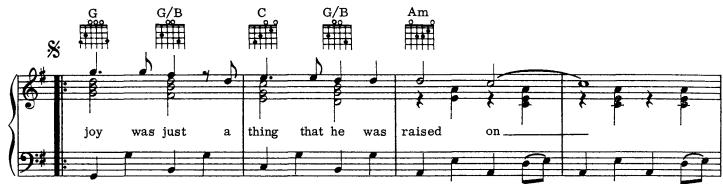


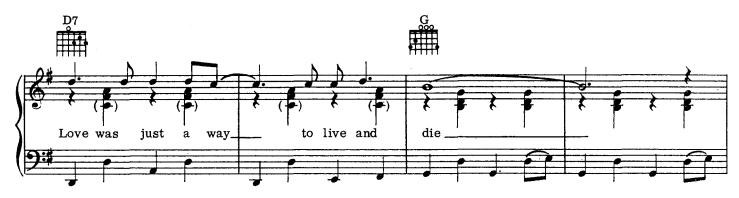


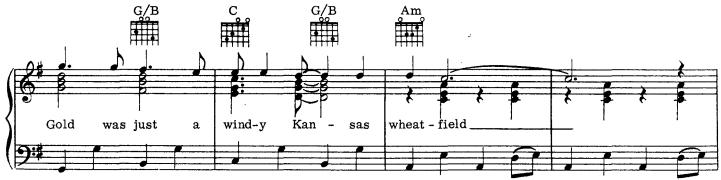


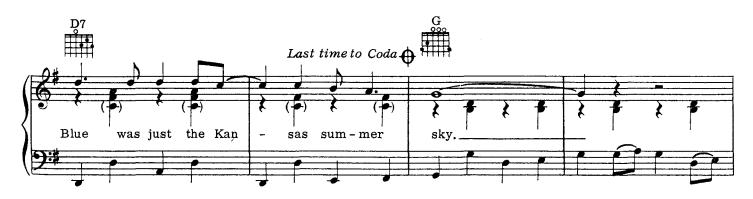
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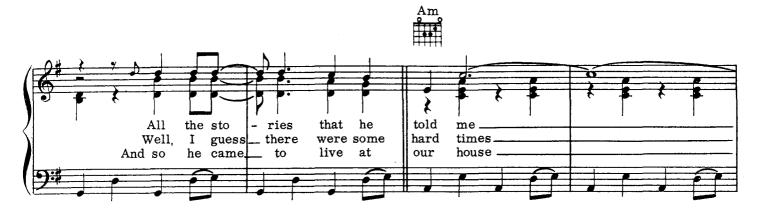


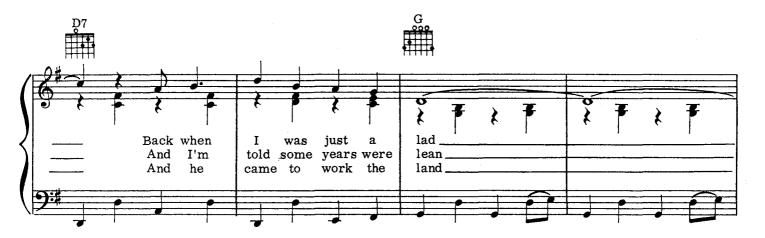


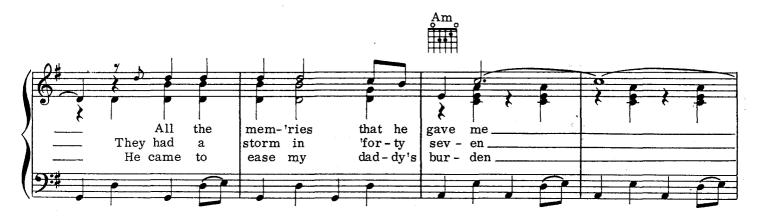




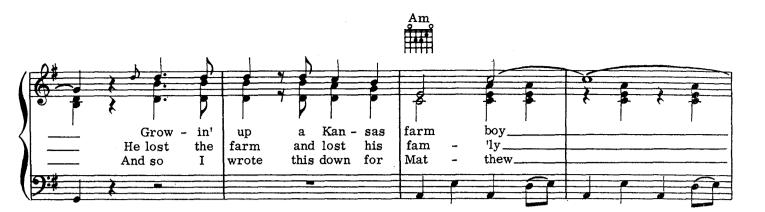


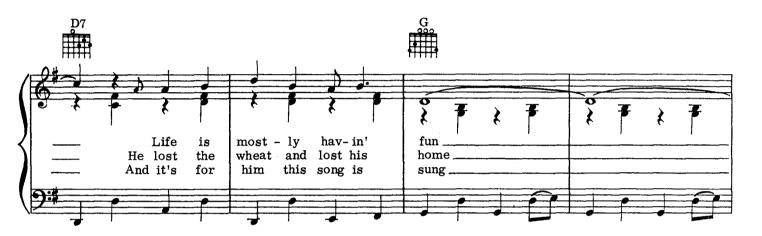


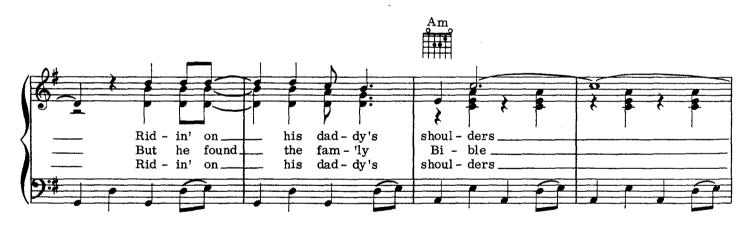


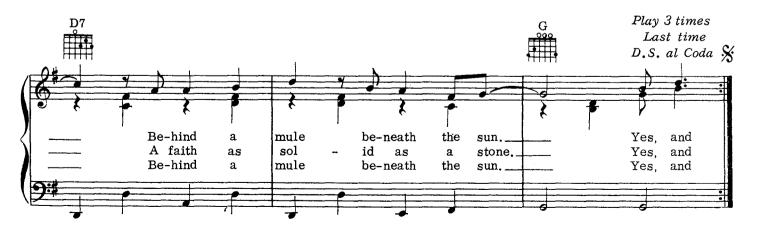


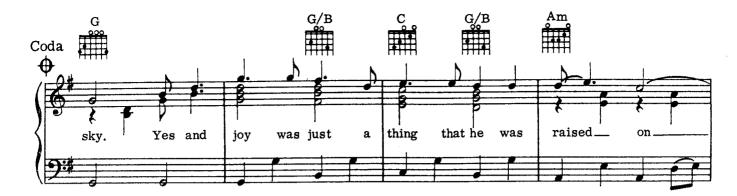




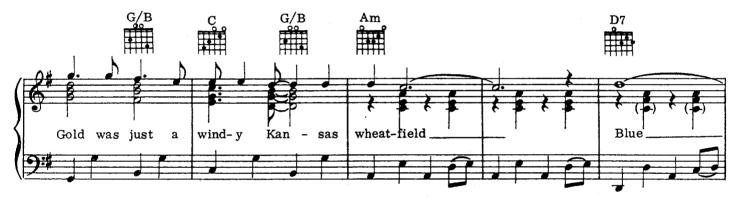


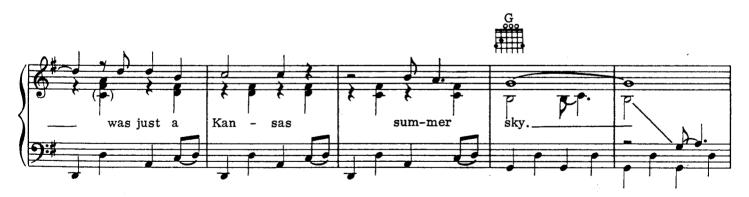












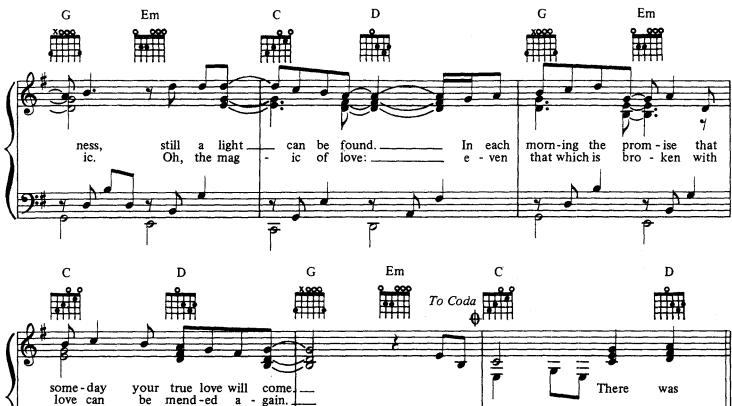


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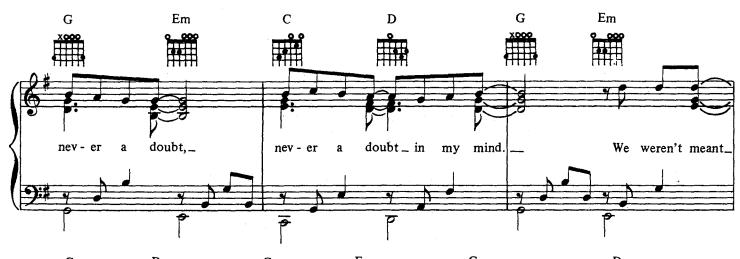
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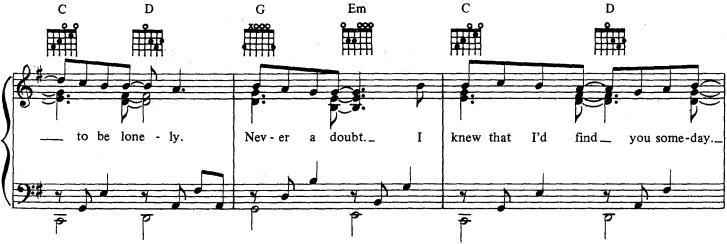


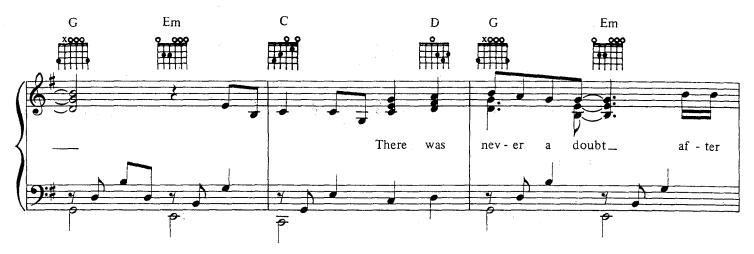
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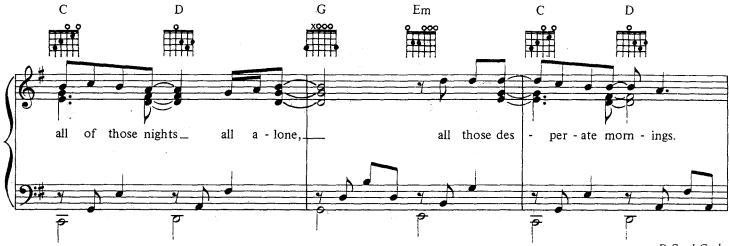


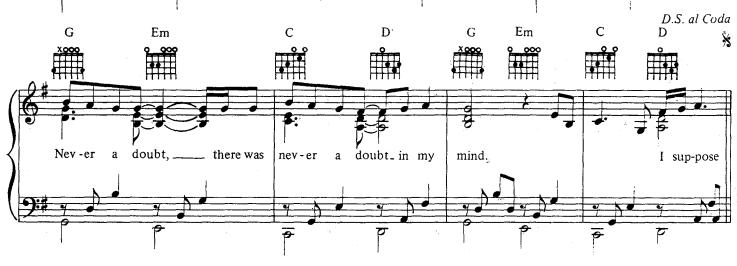




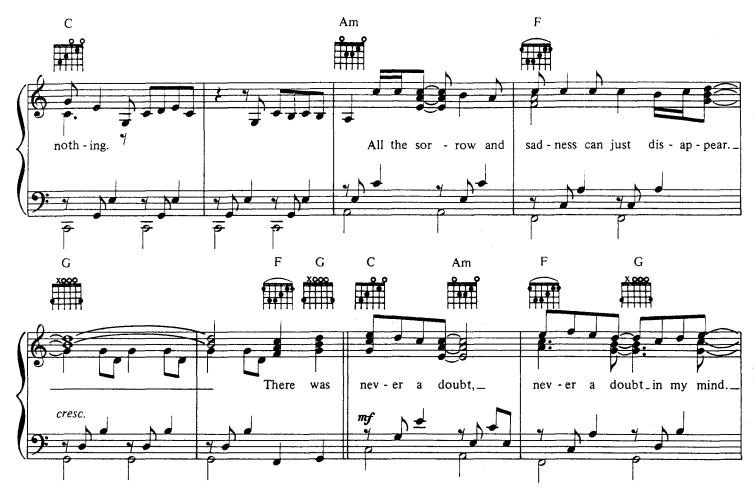


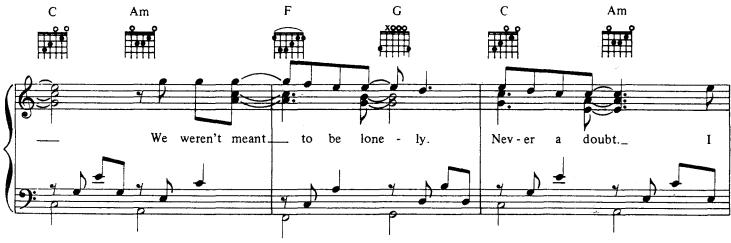


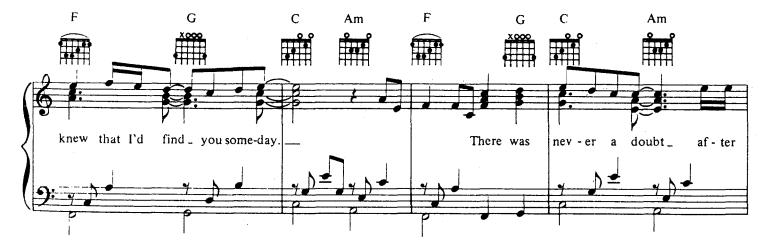


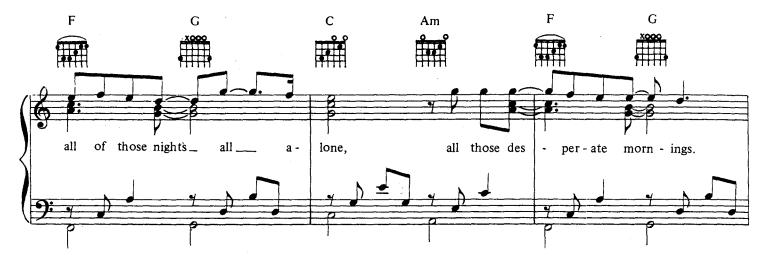


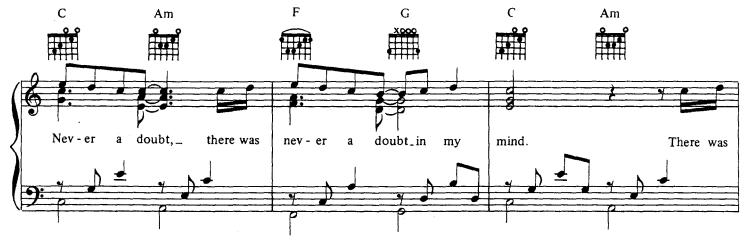


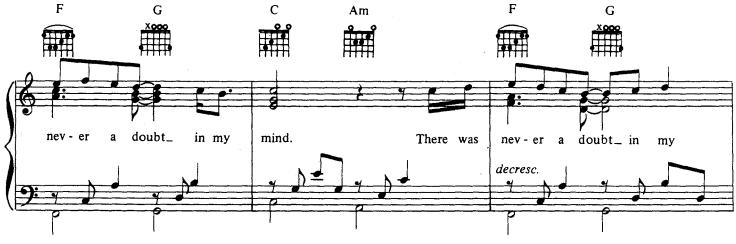


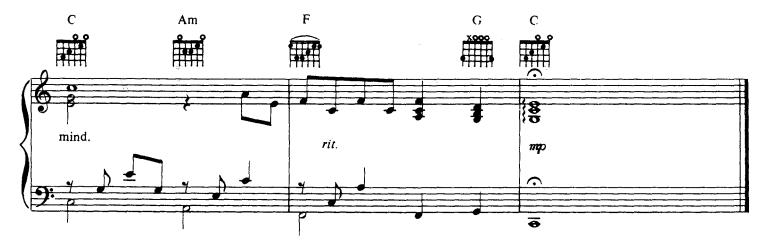










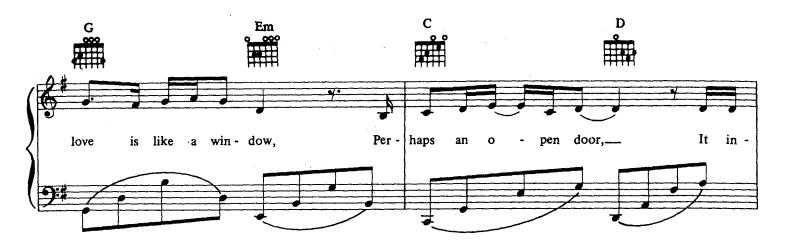


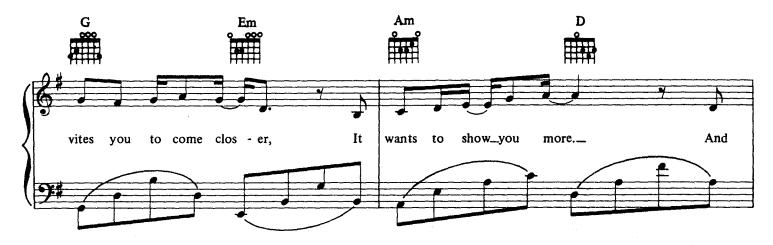
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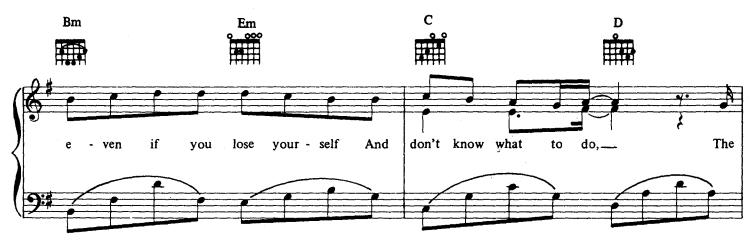
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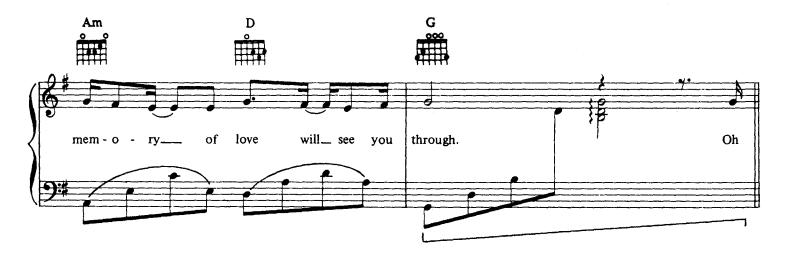


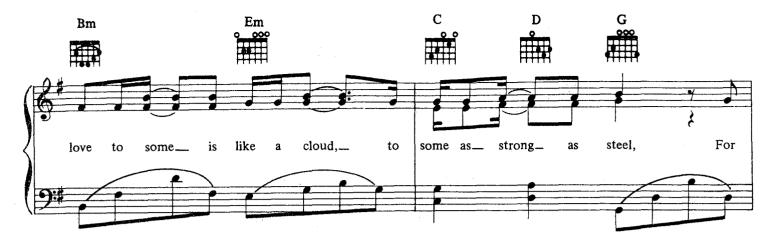
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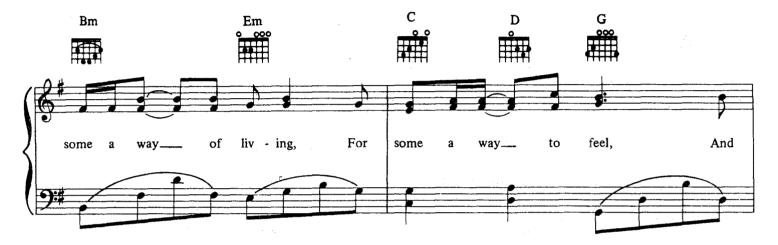


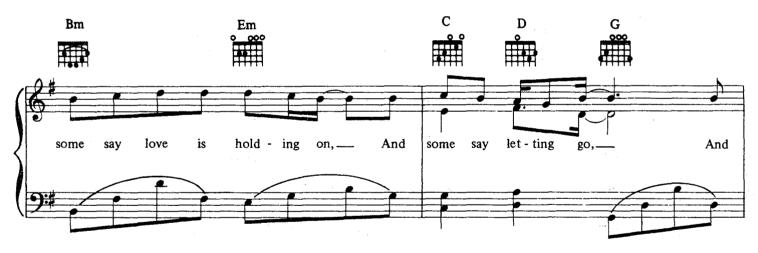


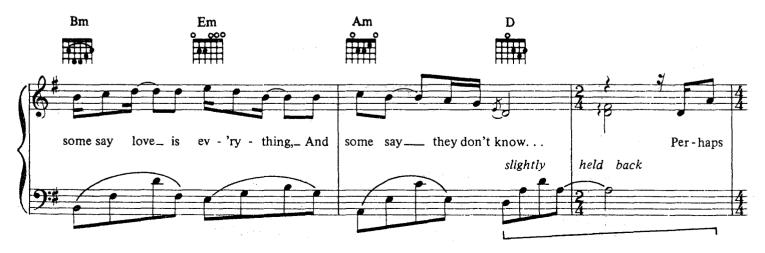


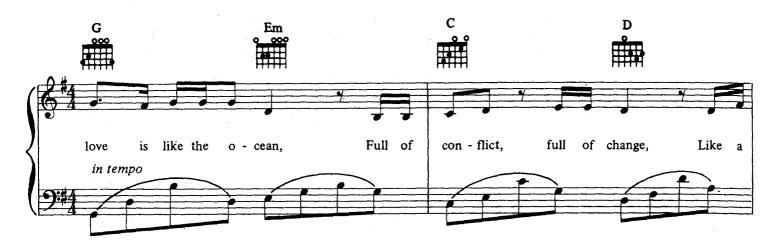


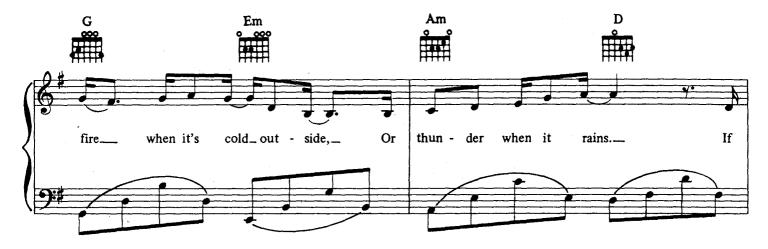




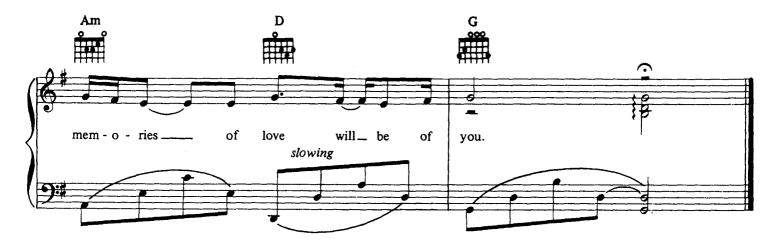






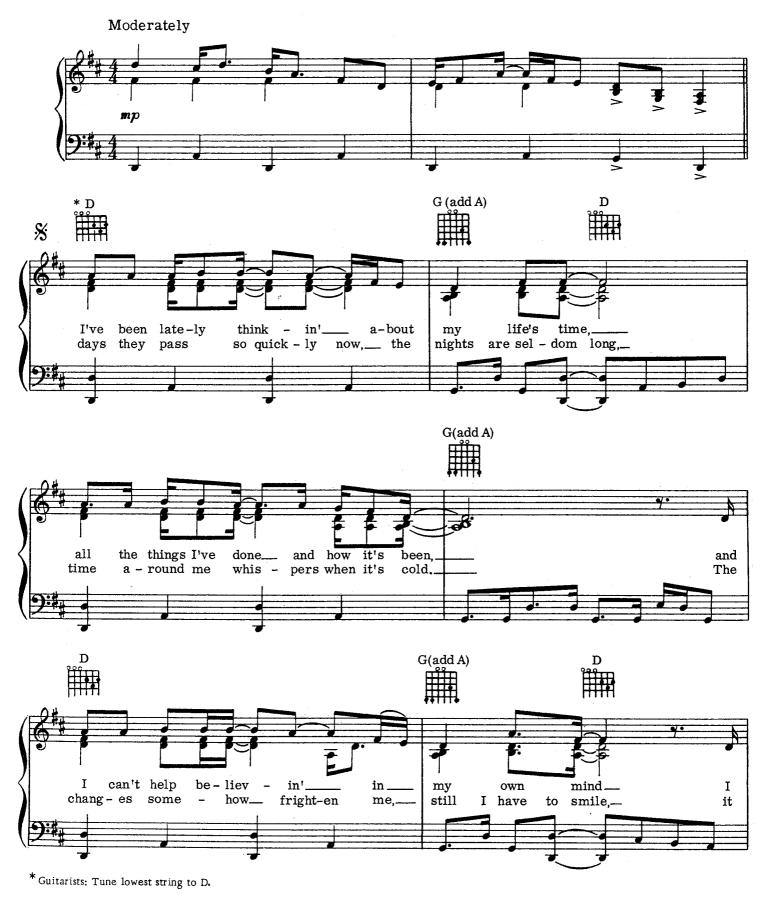






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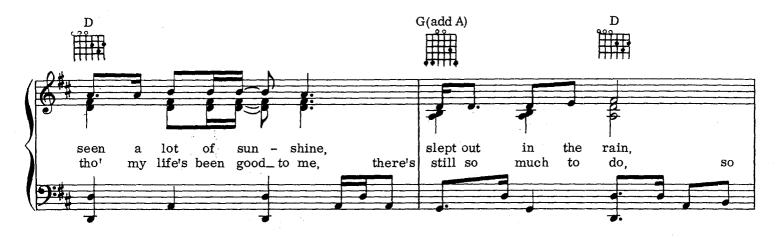
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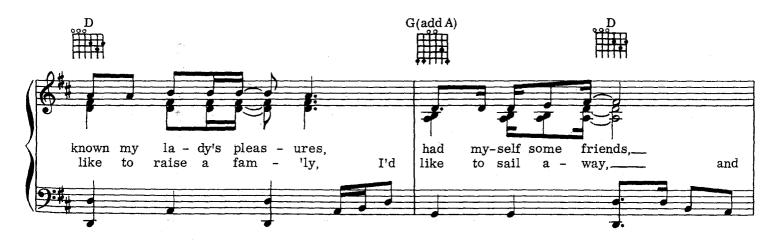






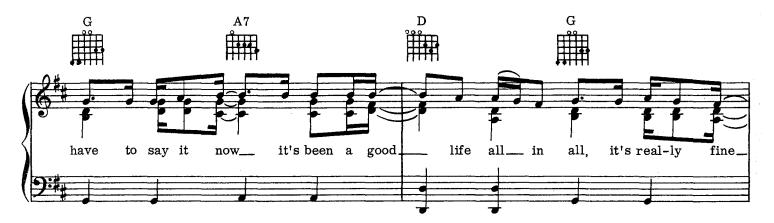


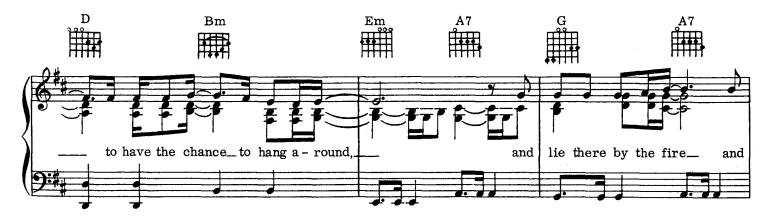


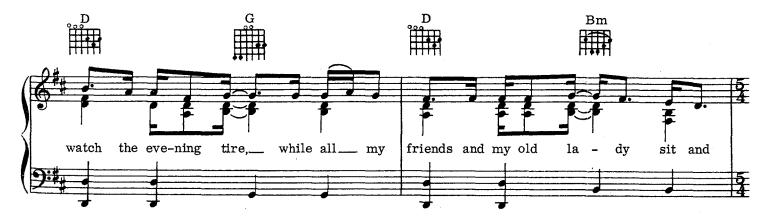


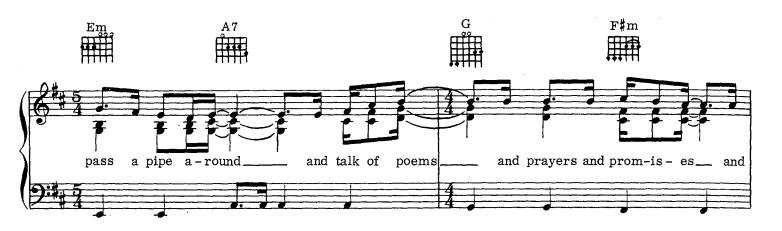
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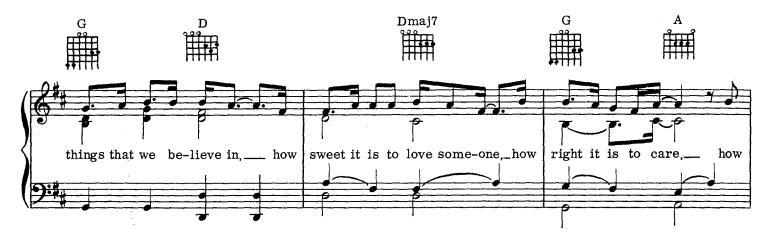


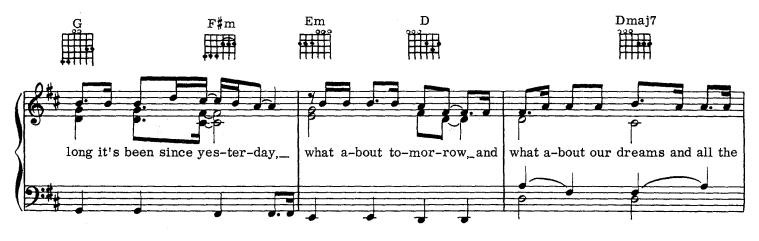


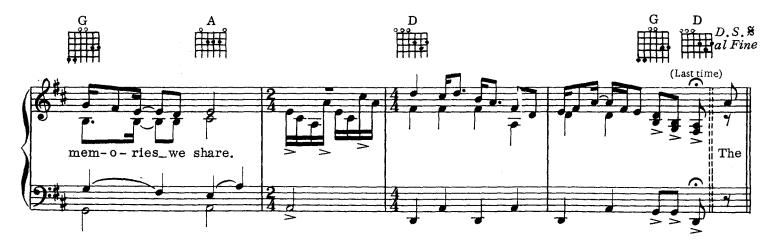








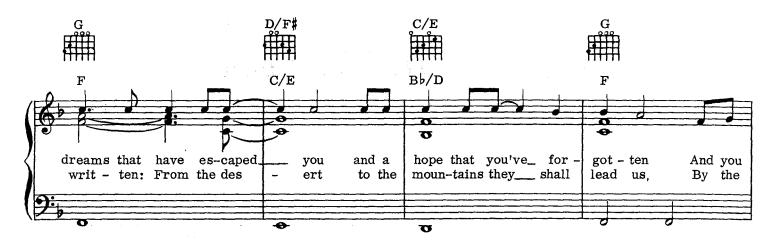


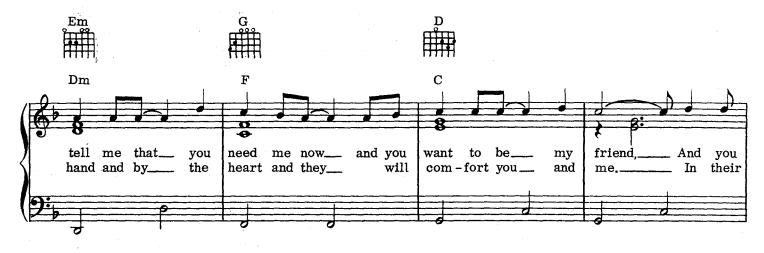


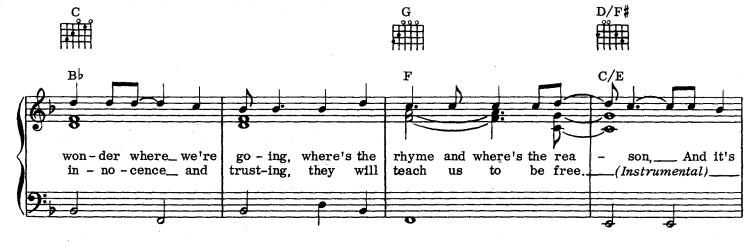
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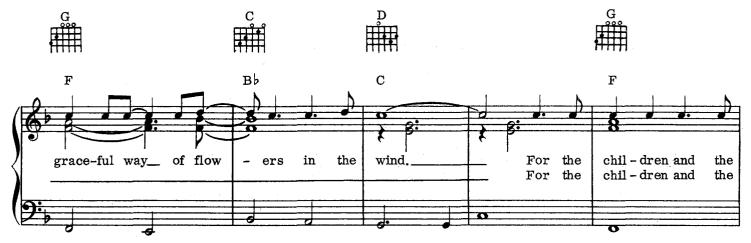


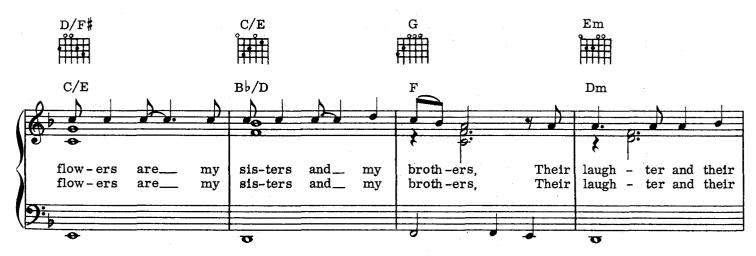


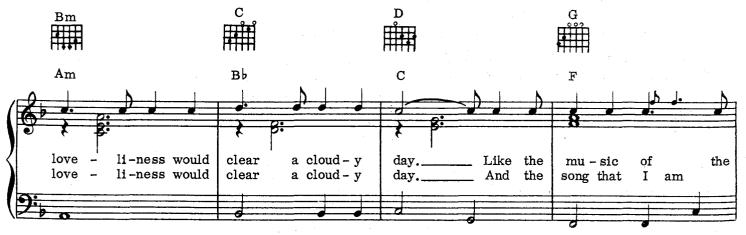








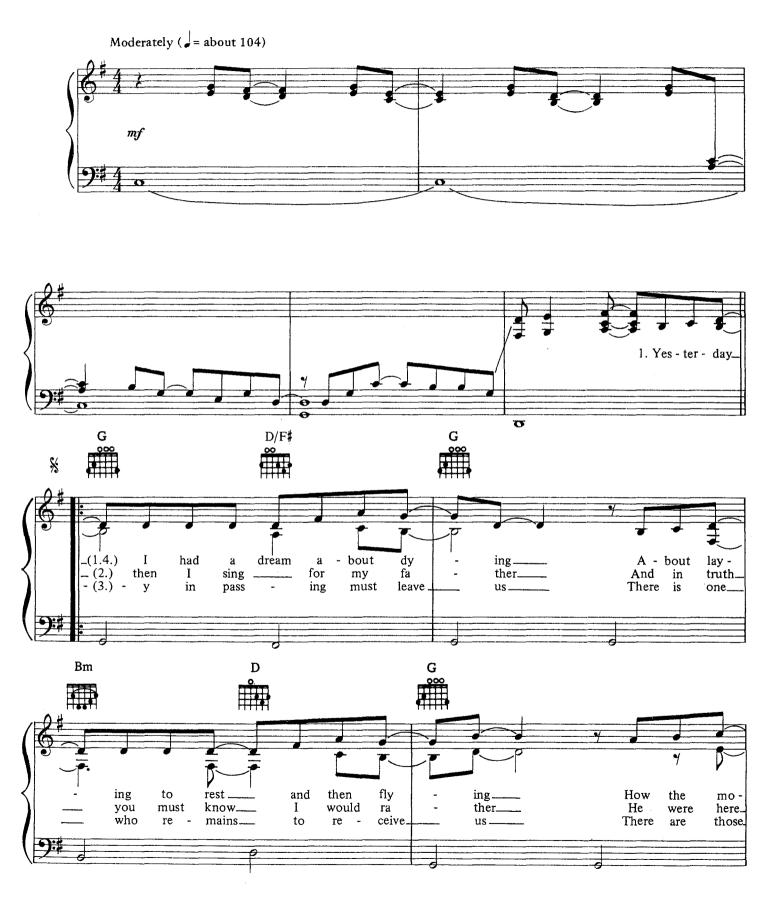






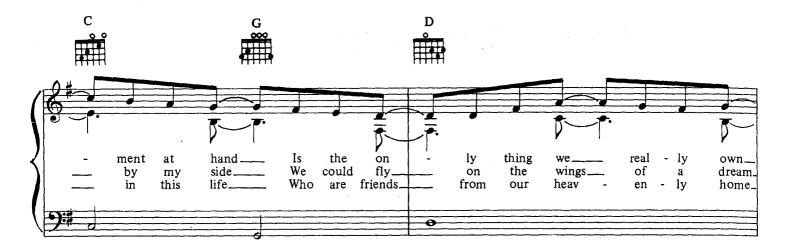
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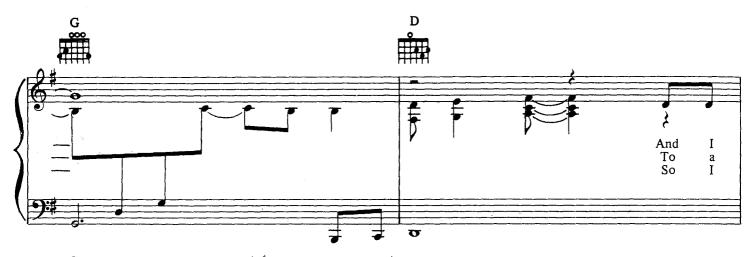
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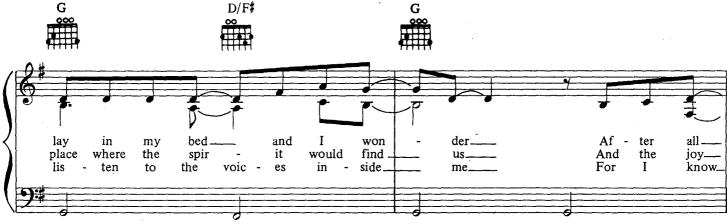


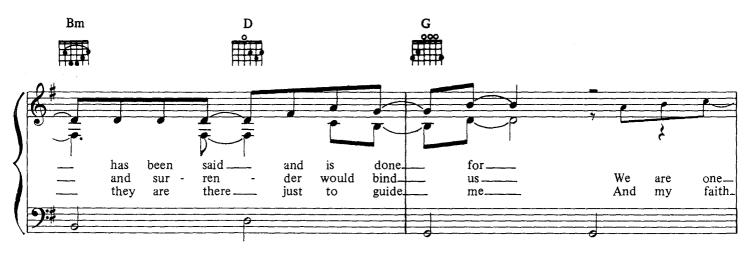
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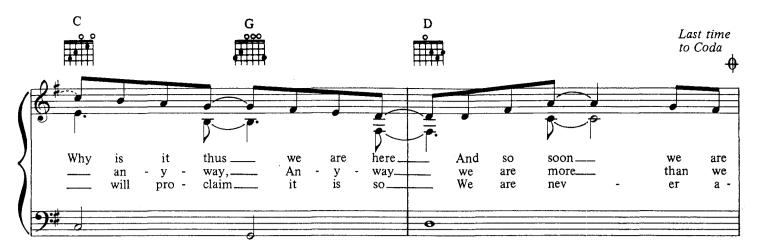
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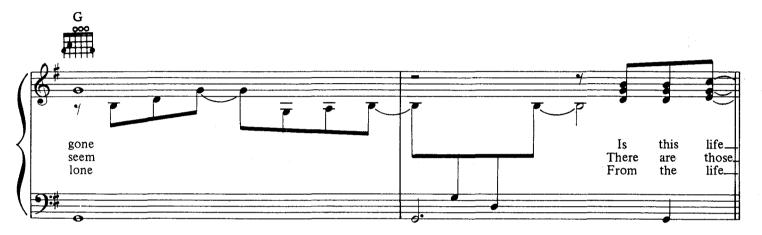


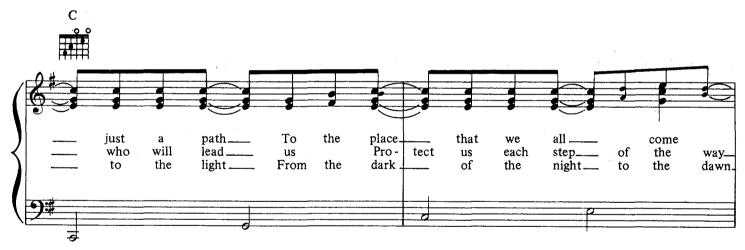


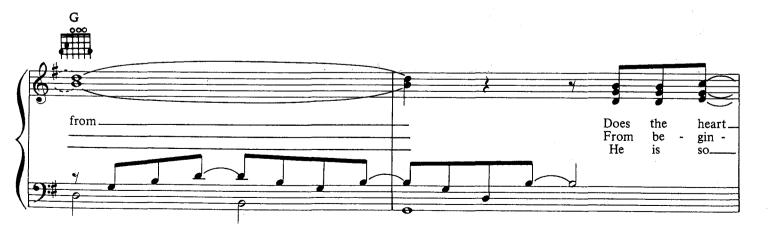


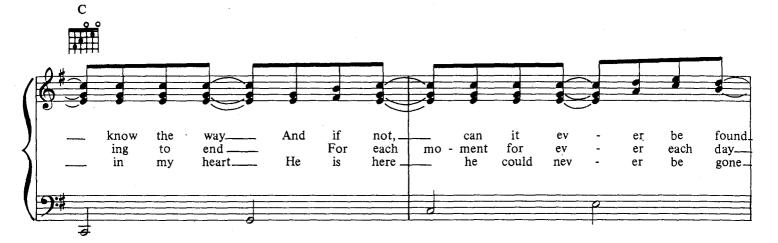


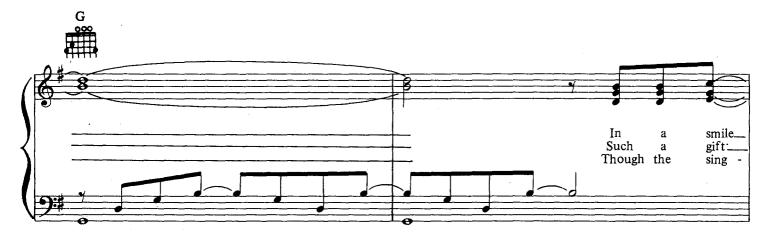


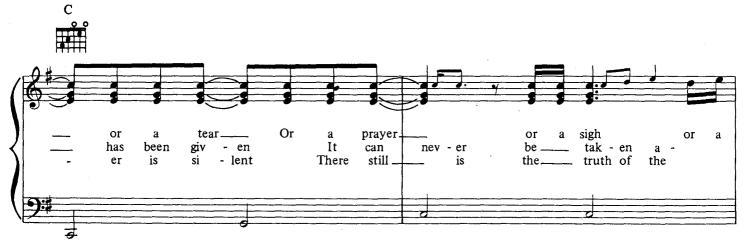


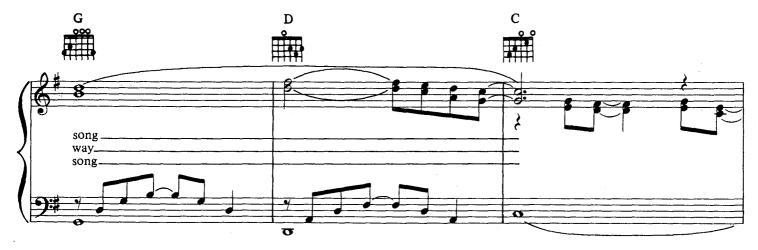




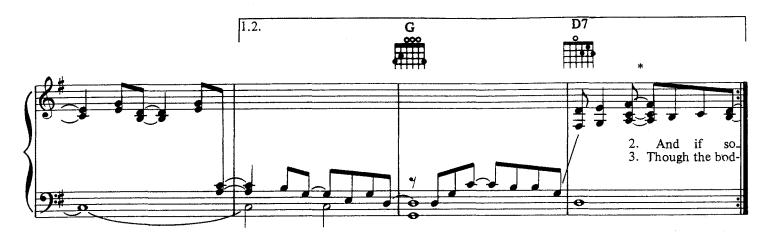


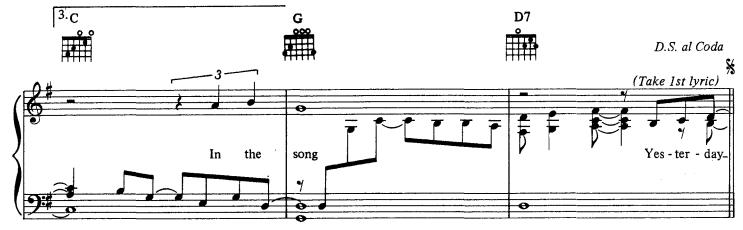


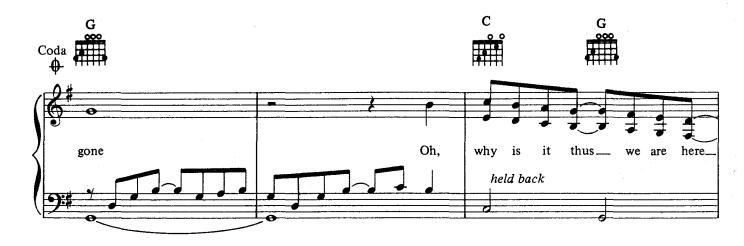


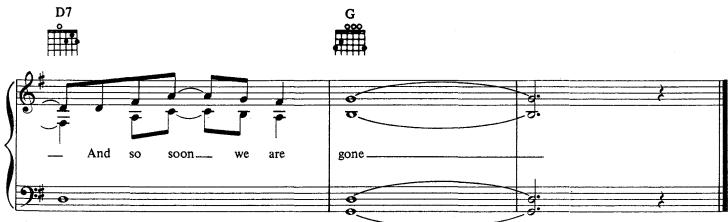


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\* 3rd time, 8 bar. inst. omitted

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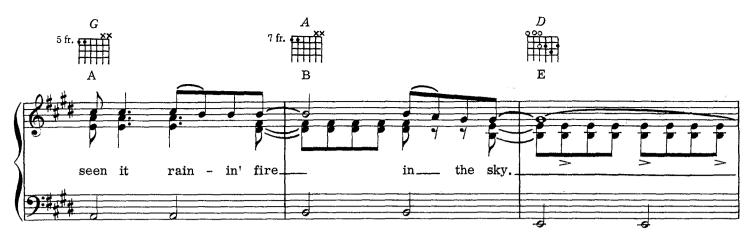


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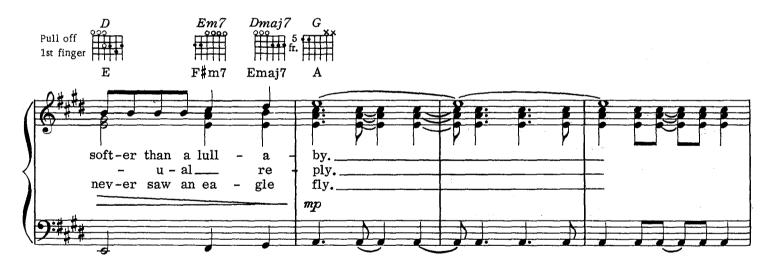
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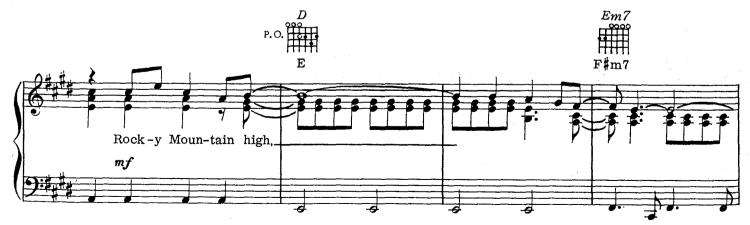


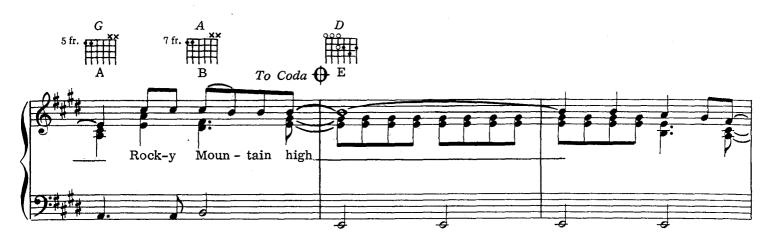


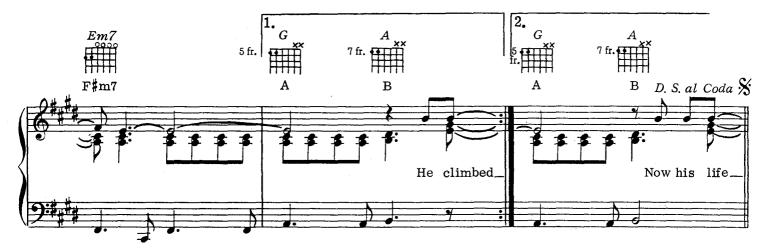




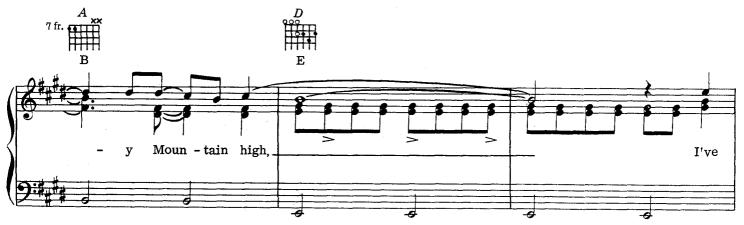


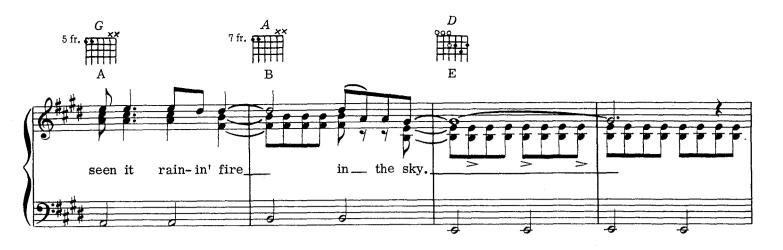


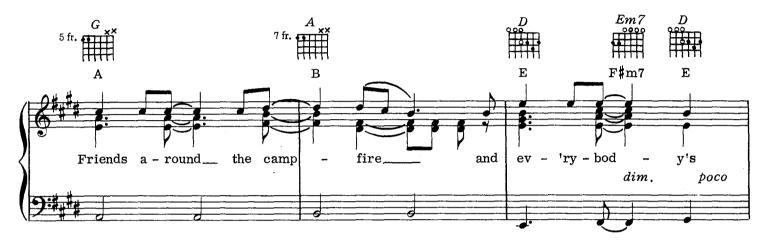




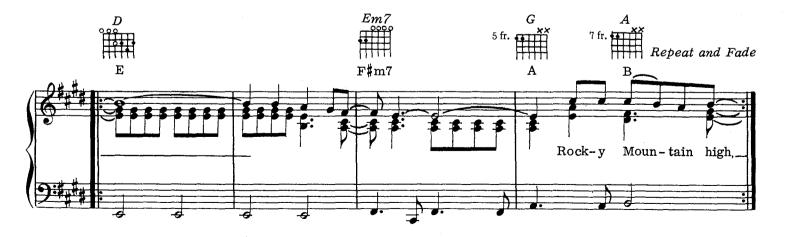












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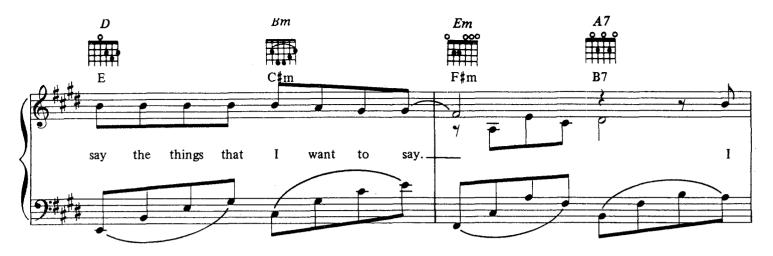


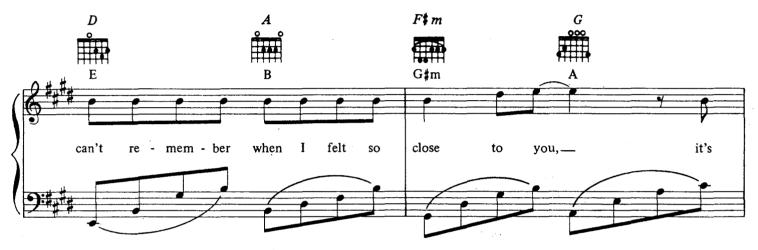
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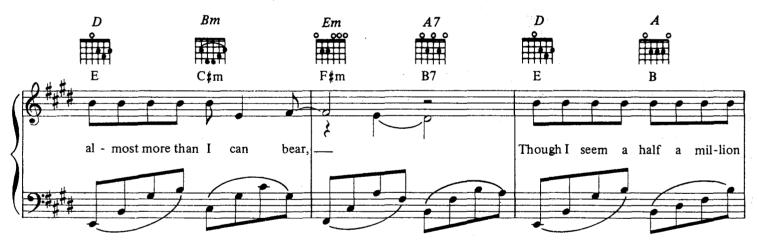
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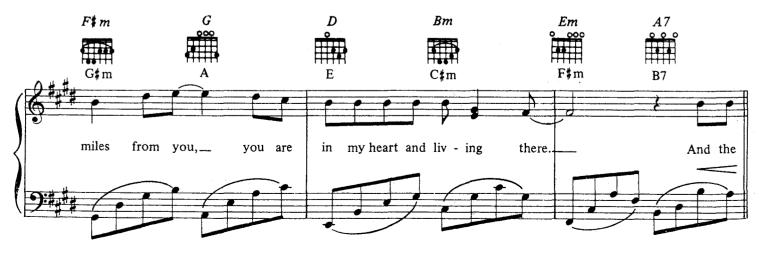
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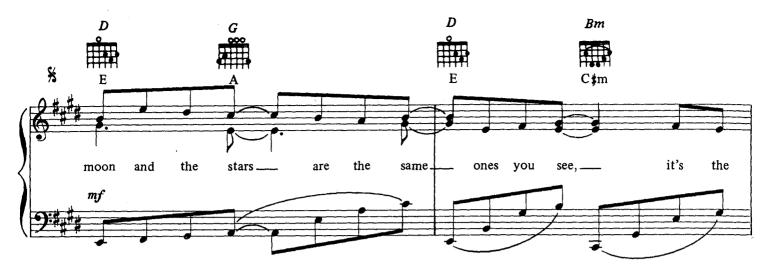
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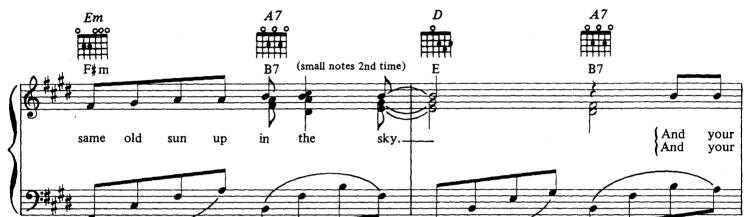


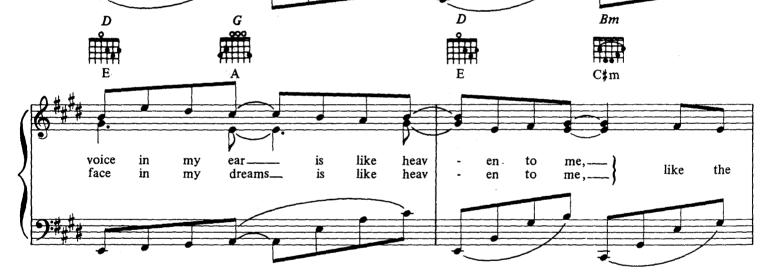


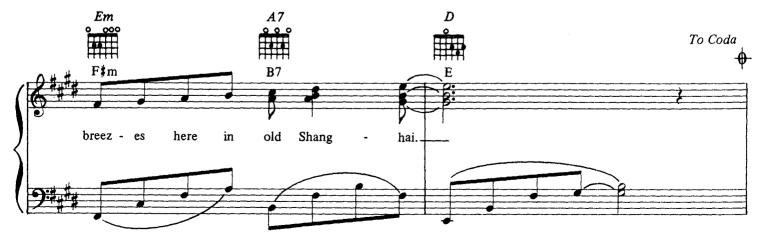


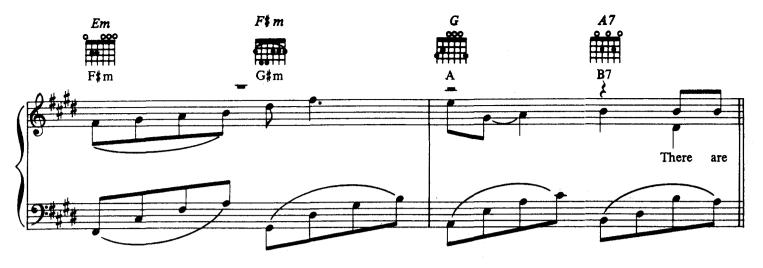


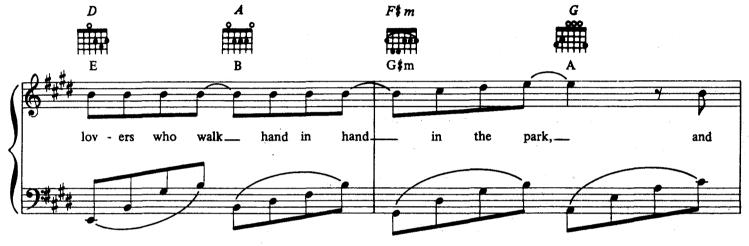


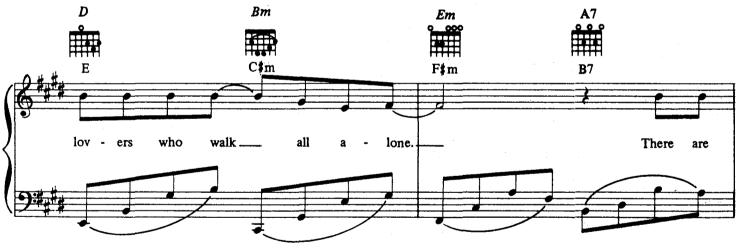


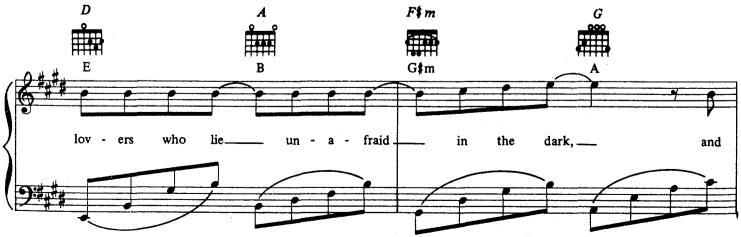


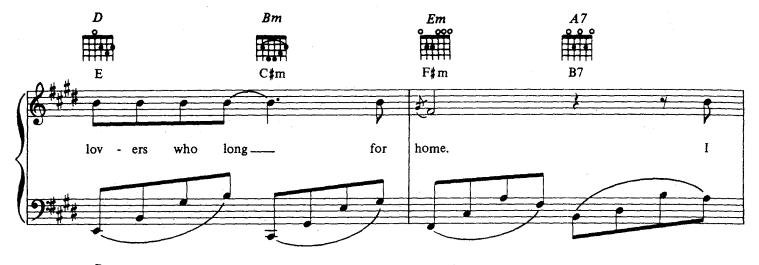


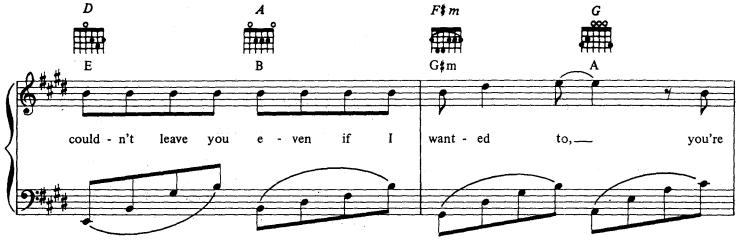


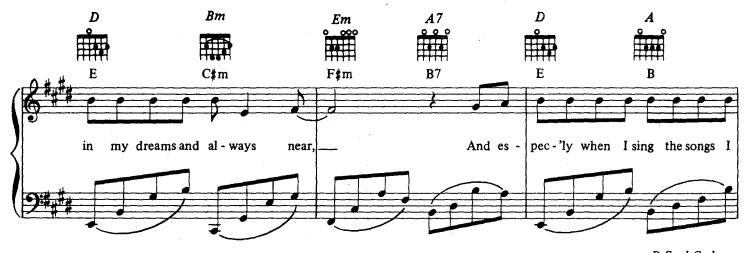


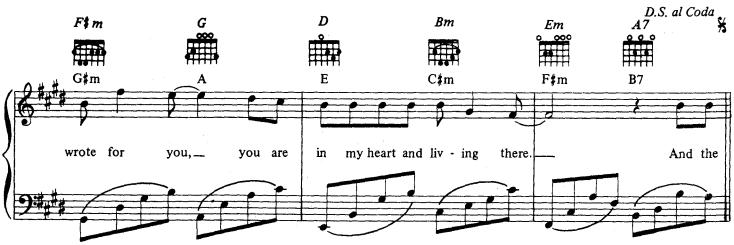


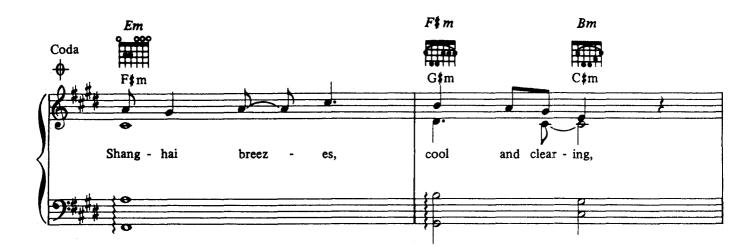


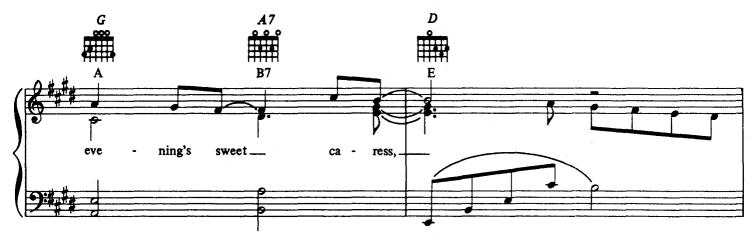


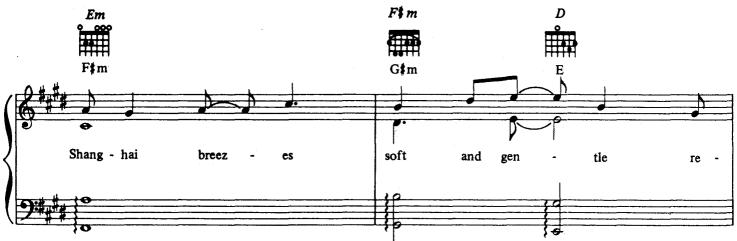


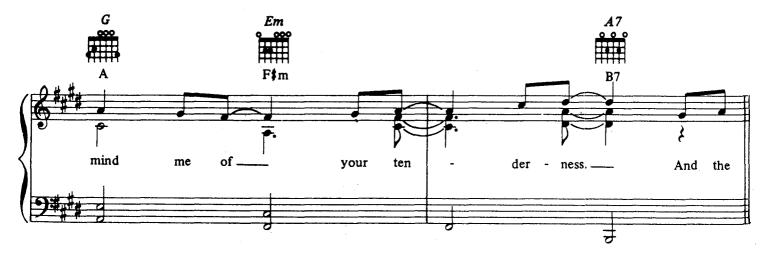


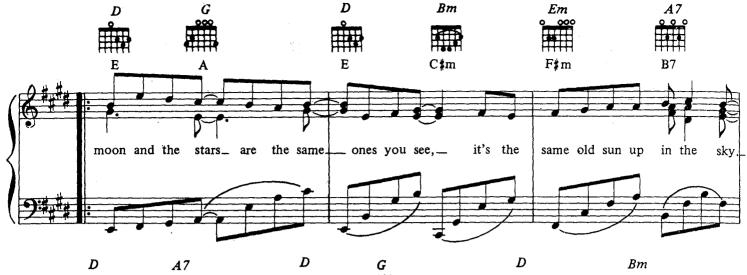


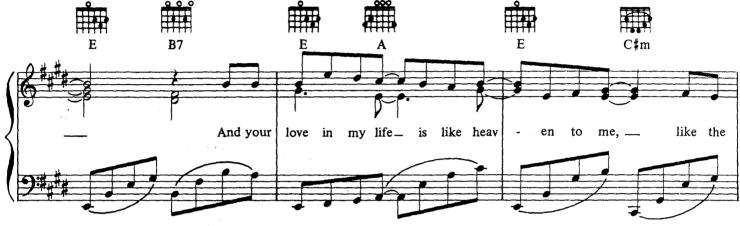


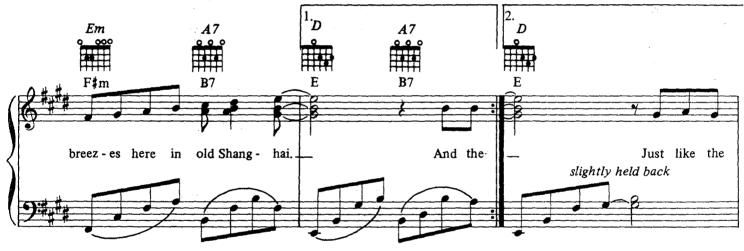


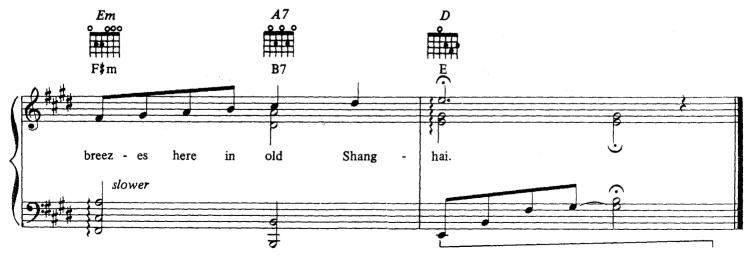










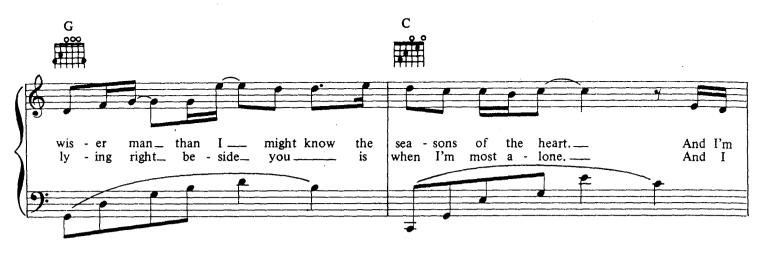


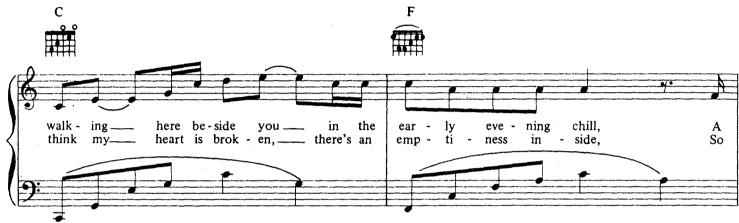
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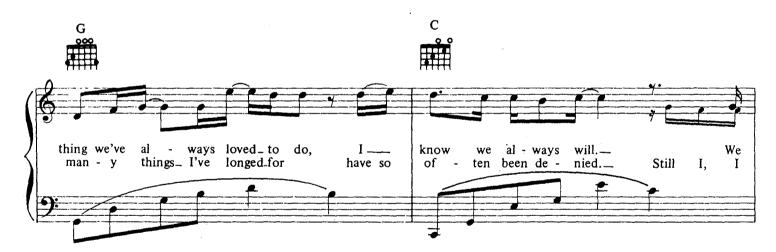
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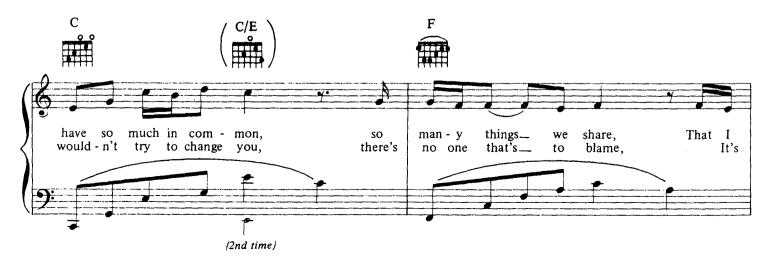


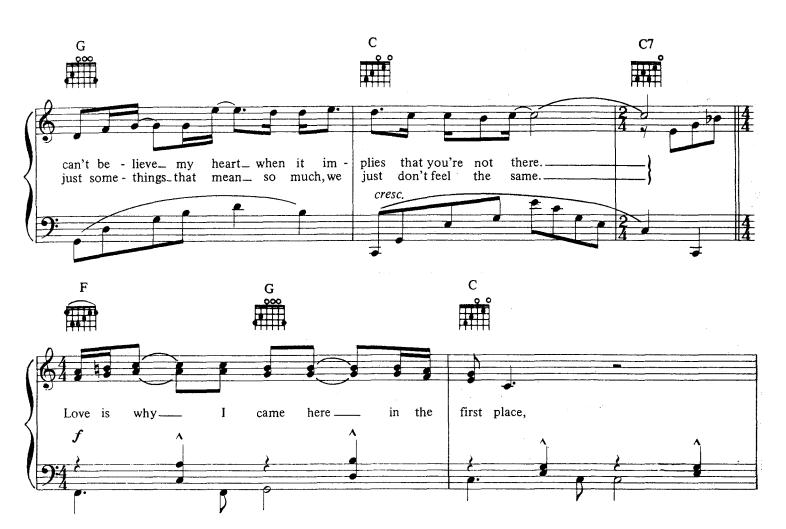
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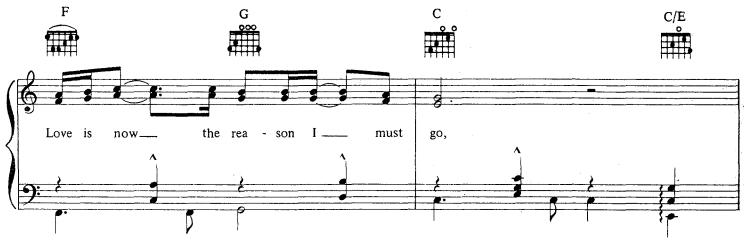


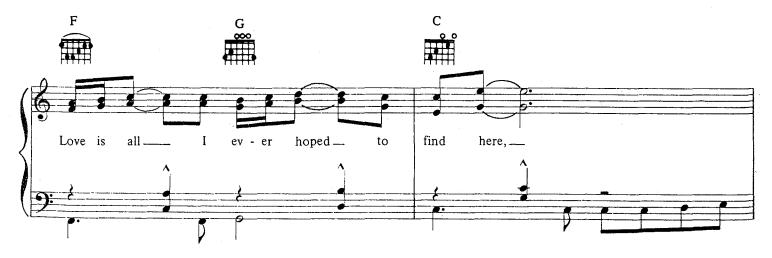


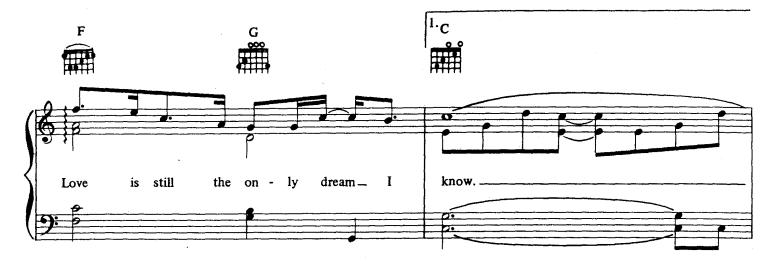


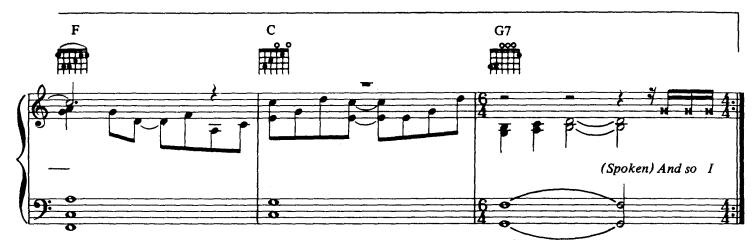


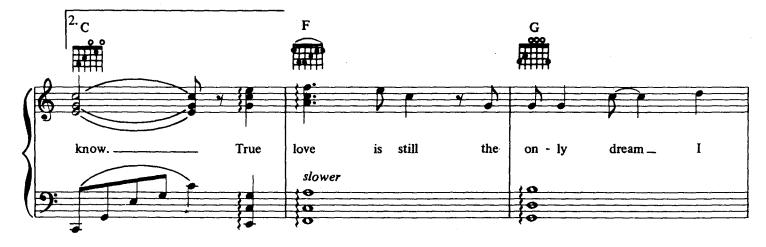


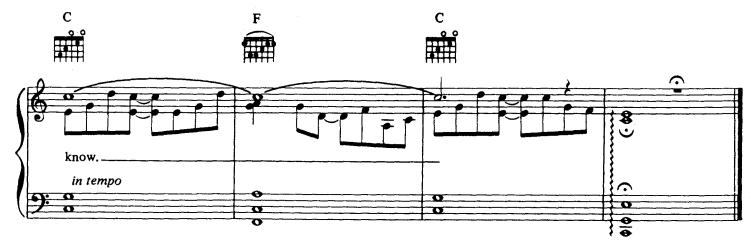






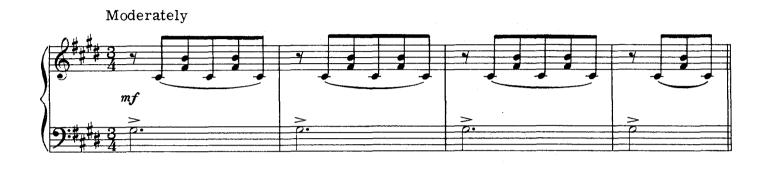


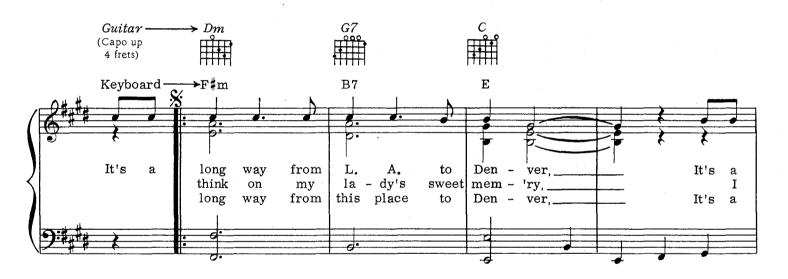


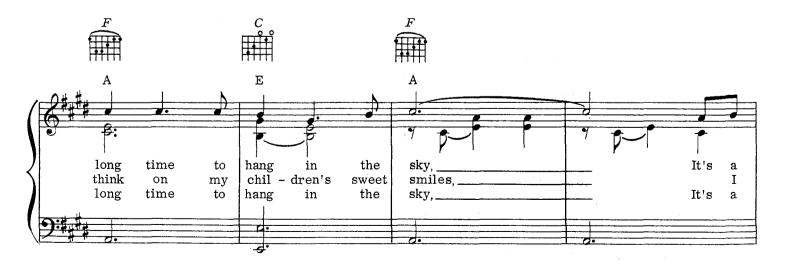


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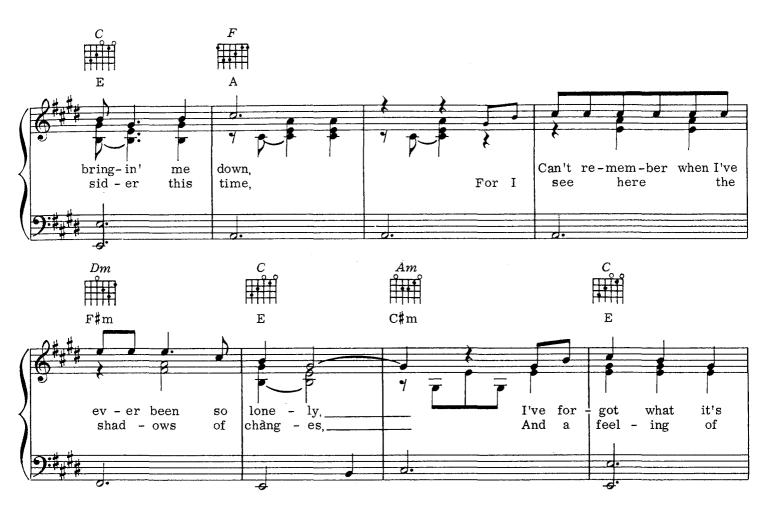




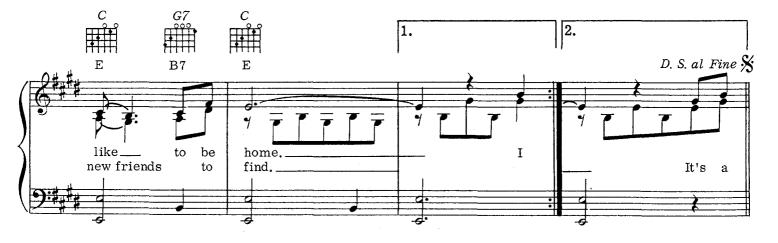


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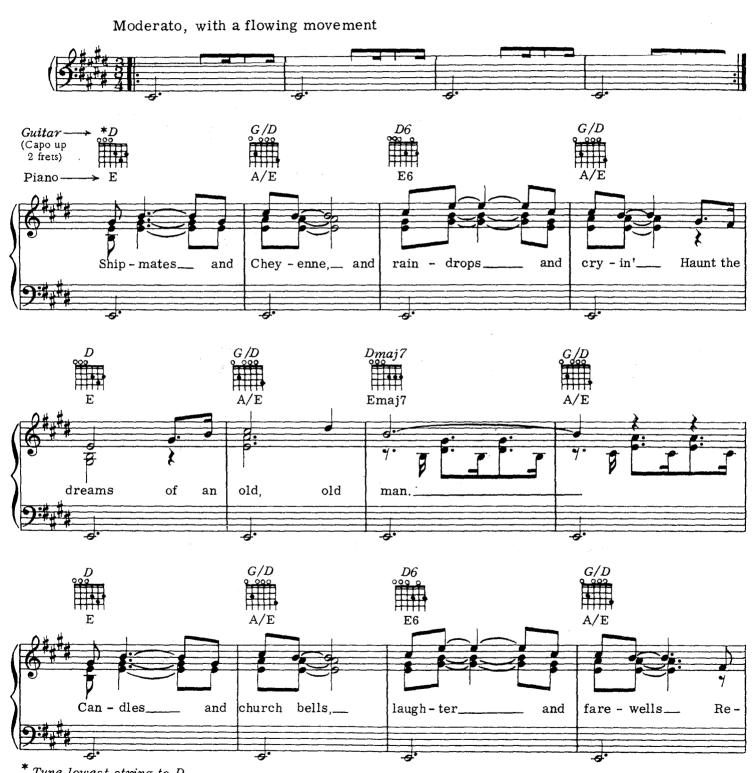




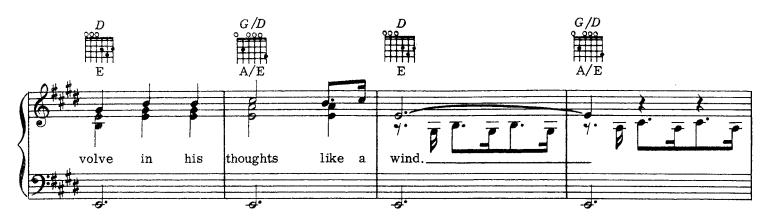


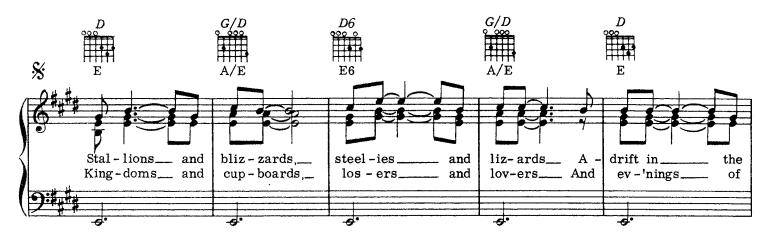
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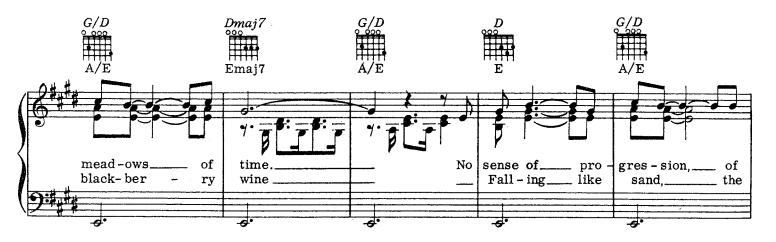
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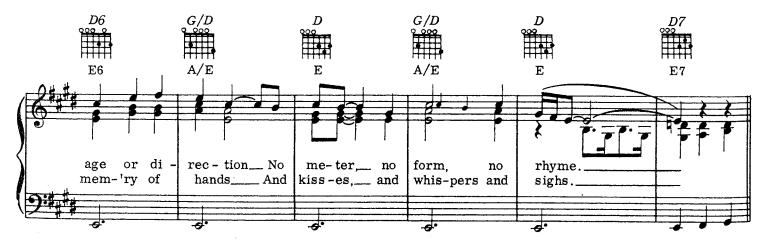


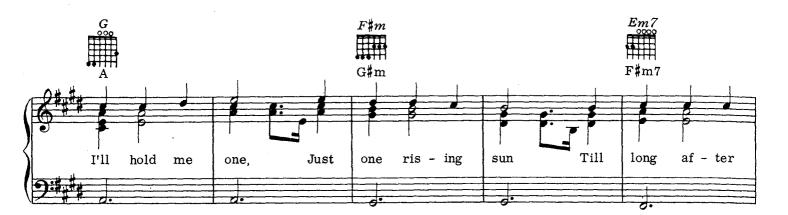
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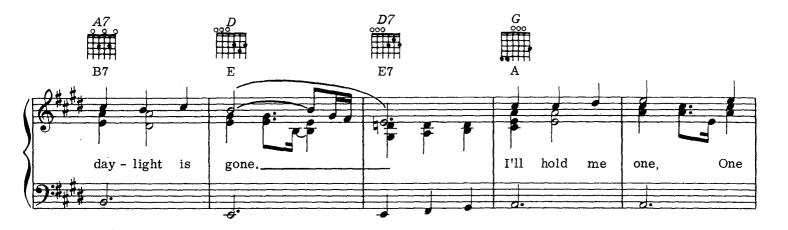


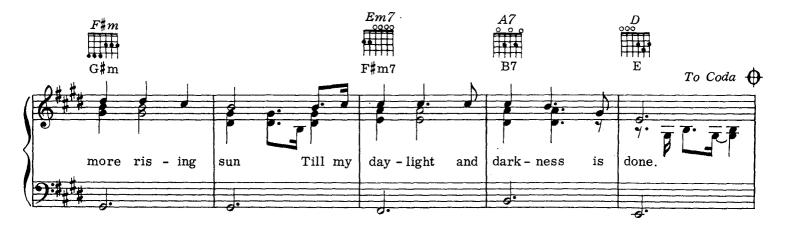


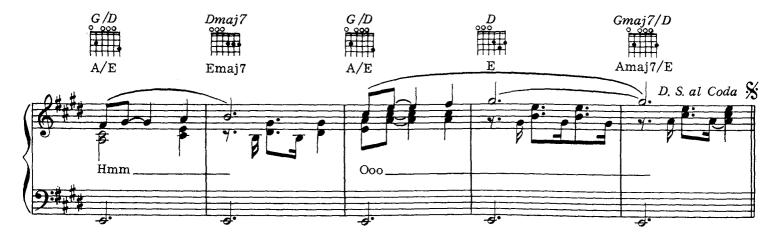


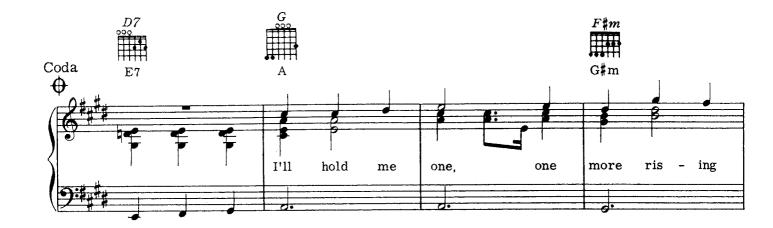


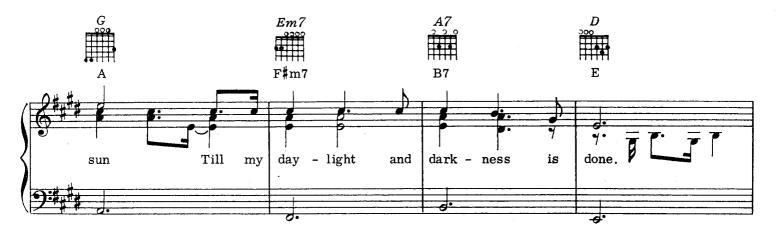


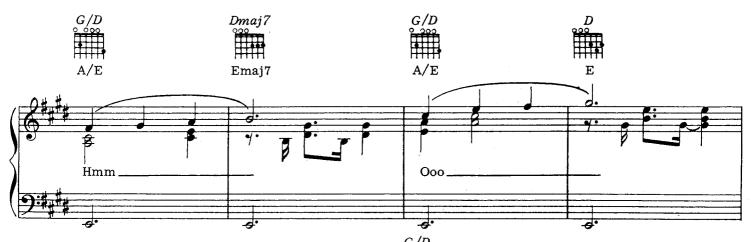


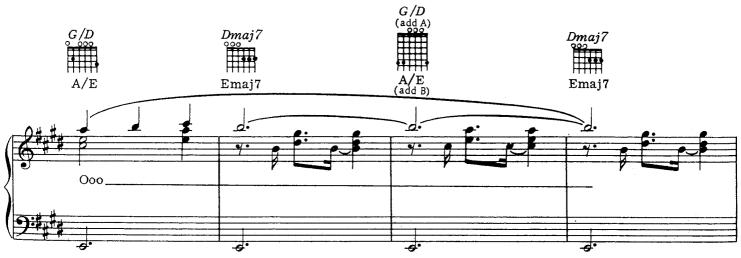


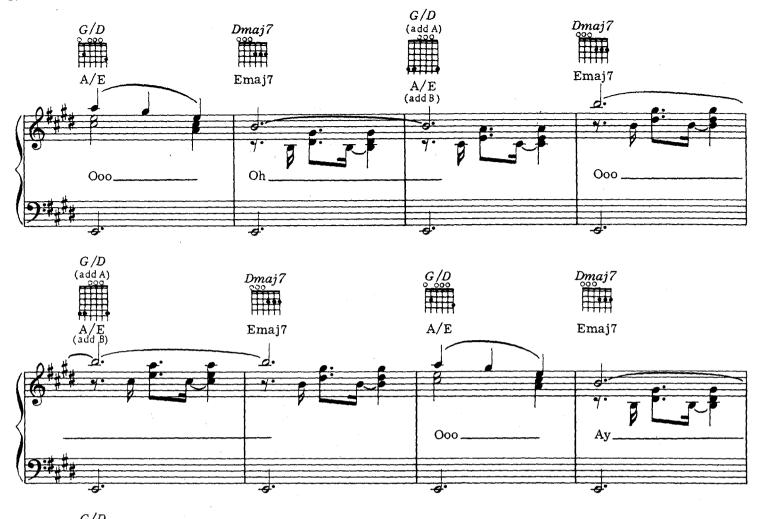


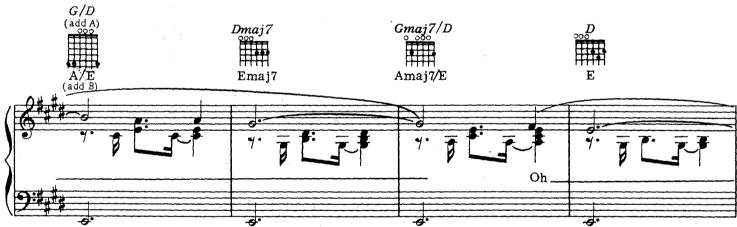


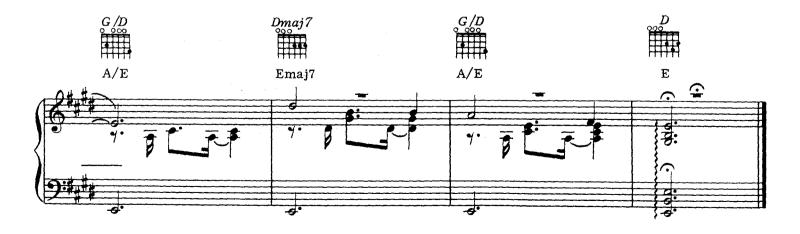






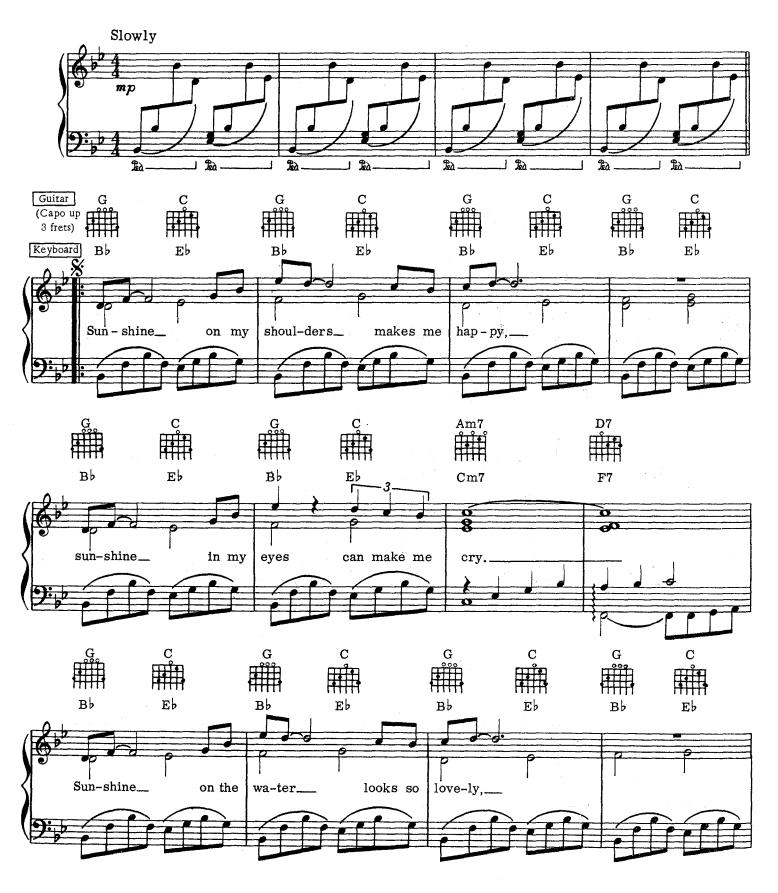




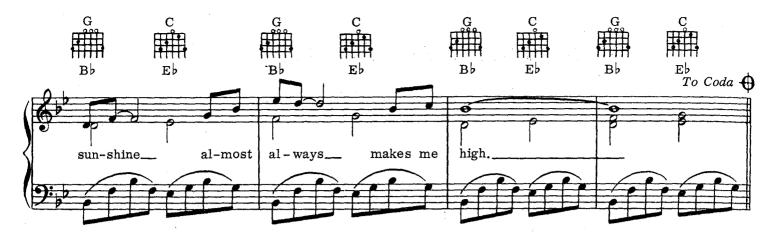


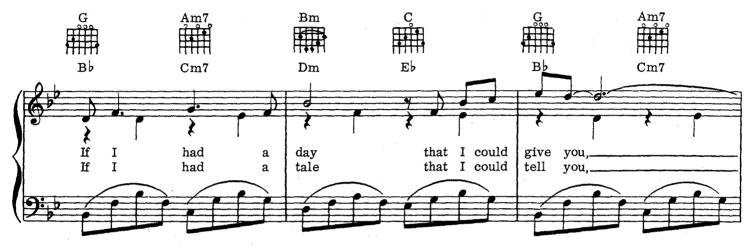
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Words by John Denver Music by John Denver, Mike Taylor and Dick Kniss

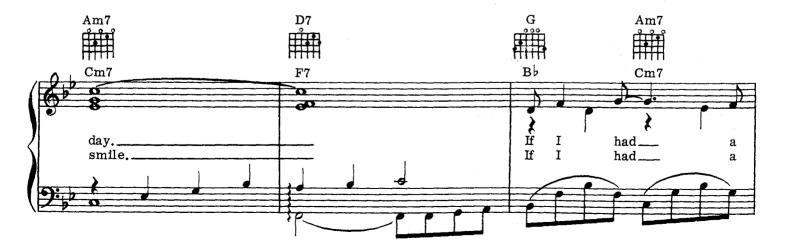


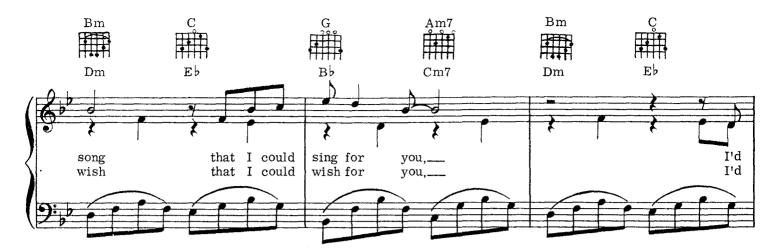
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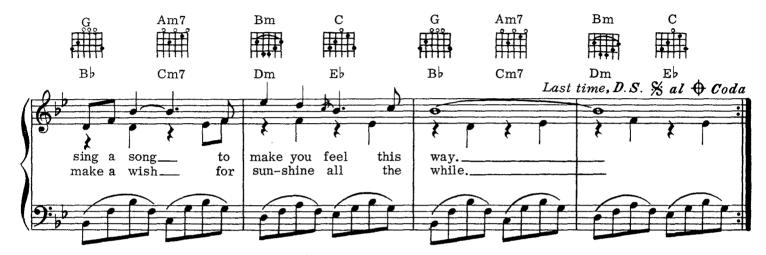


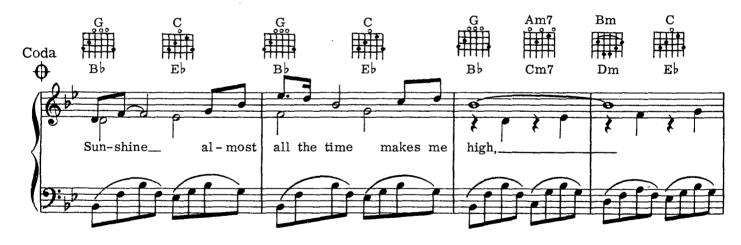


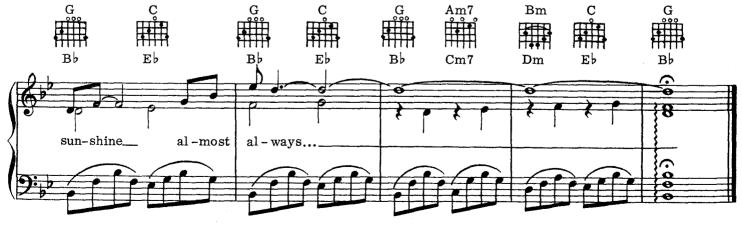








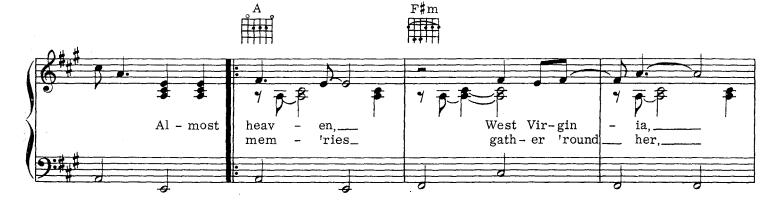


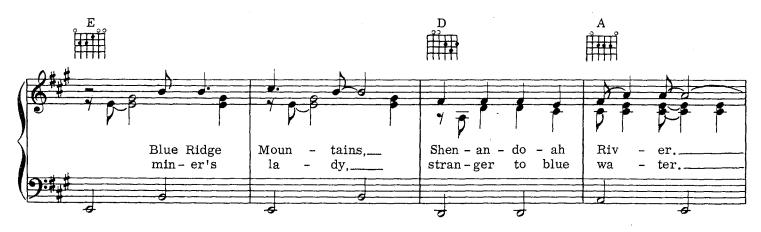


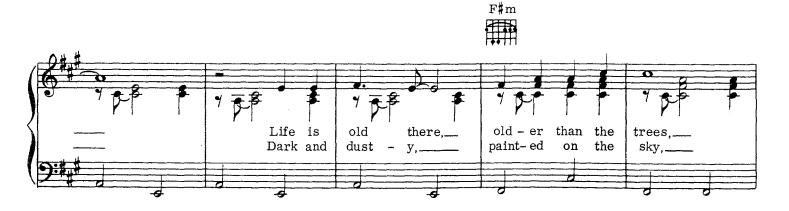
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Words and Music by Bill Danoff, Taffy Nivert and John Denver

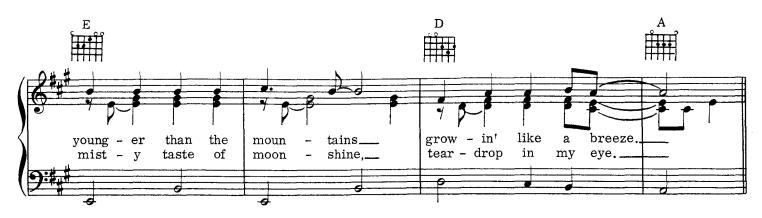








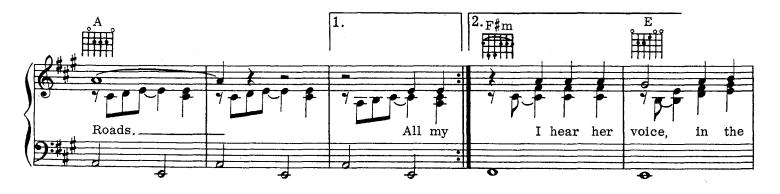
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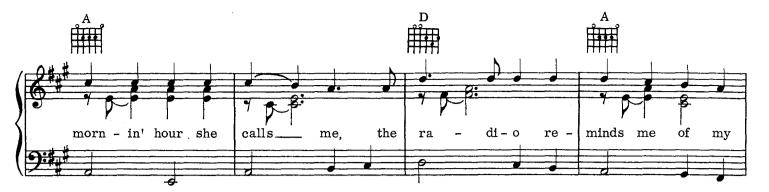


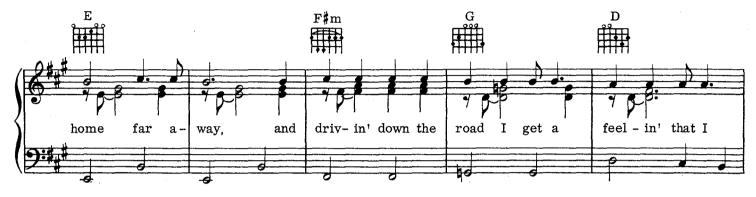


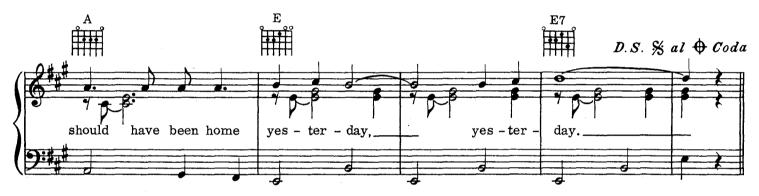












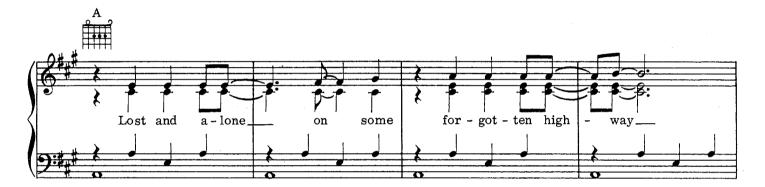


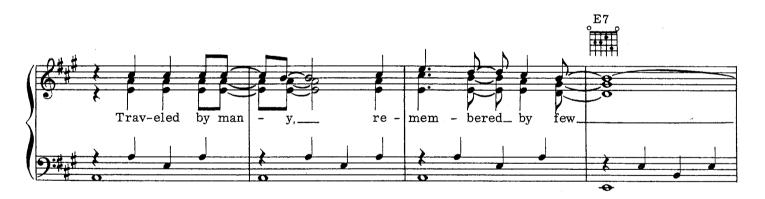


#### **Sweet Surrender**

Words and Music by John Denver







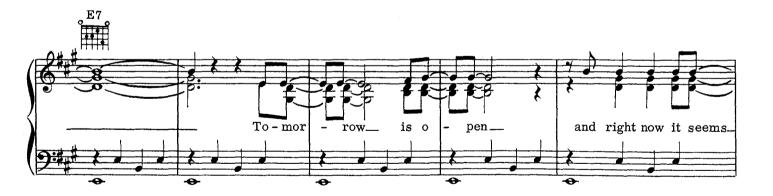


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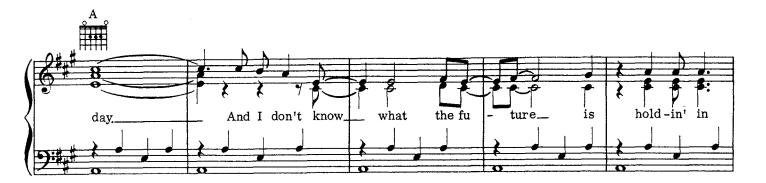






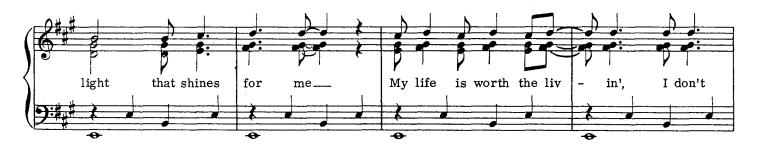




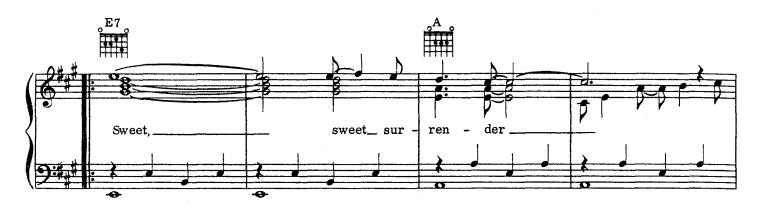




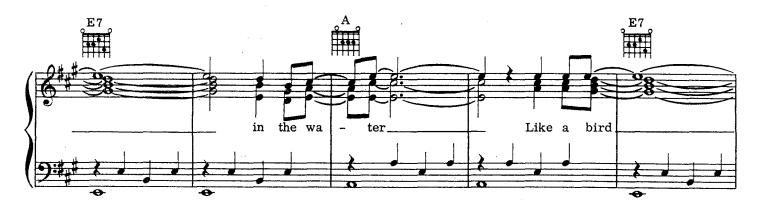


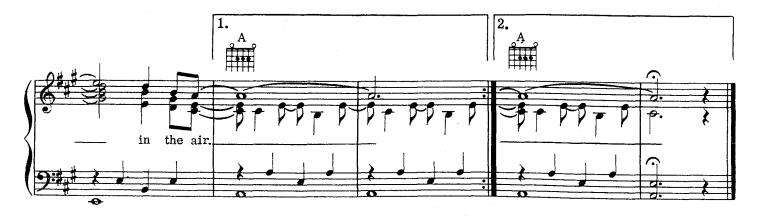










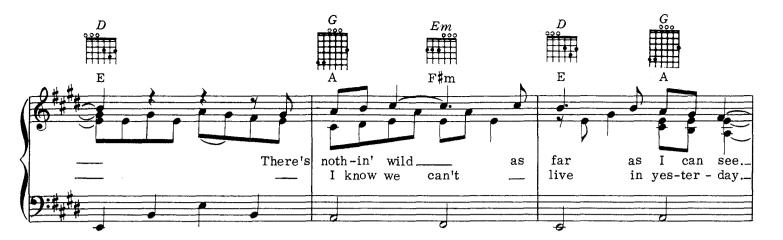


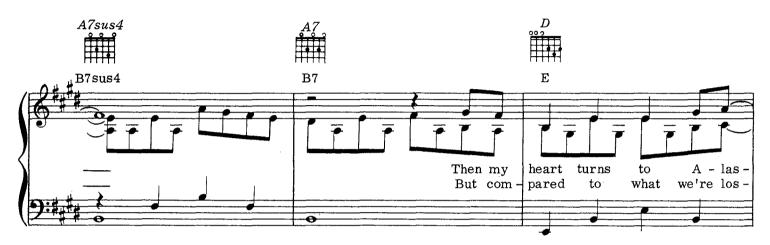
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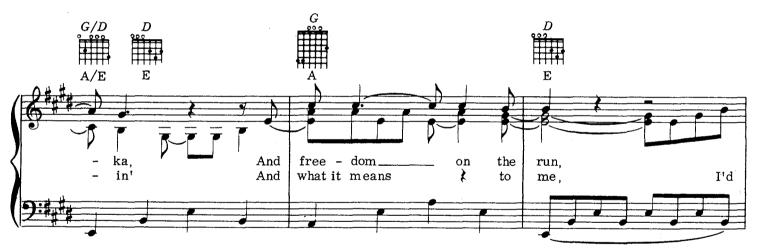


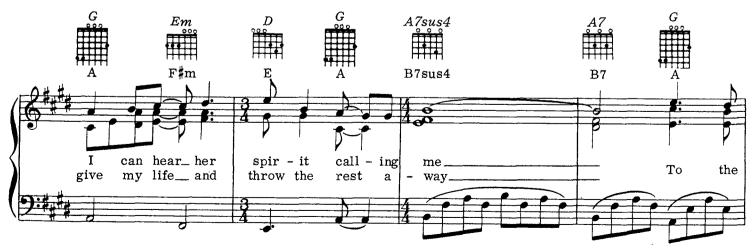
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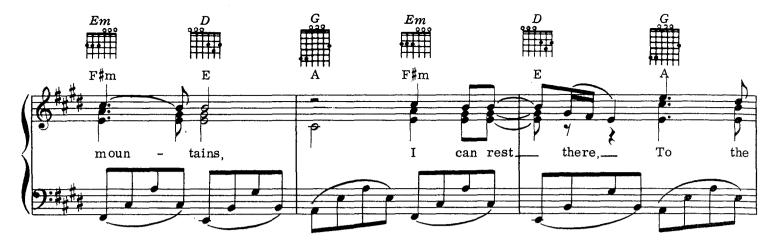




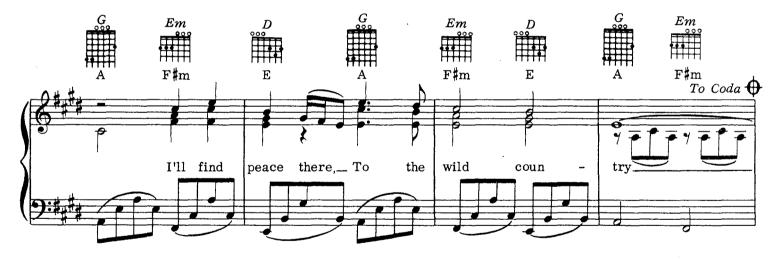




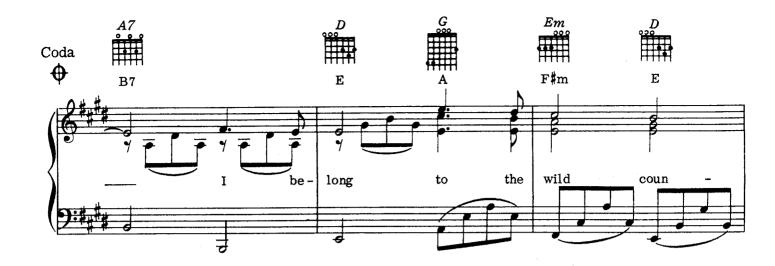


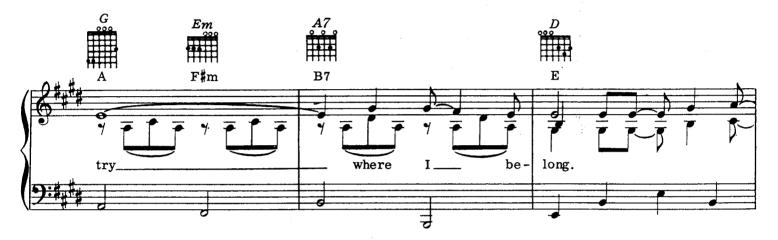


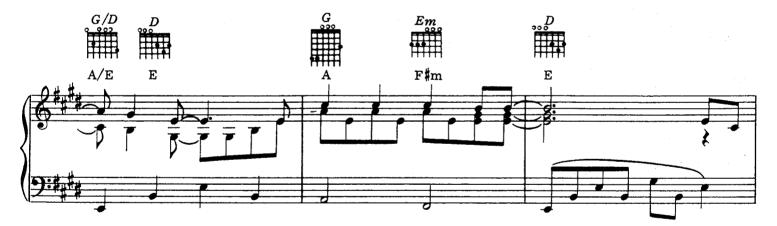


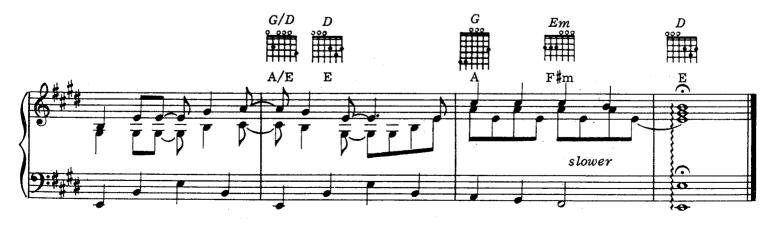






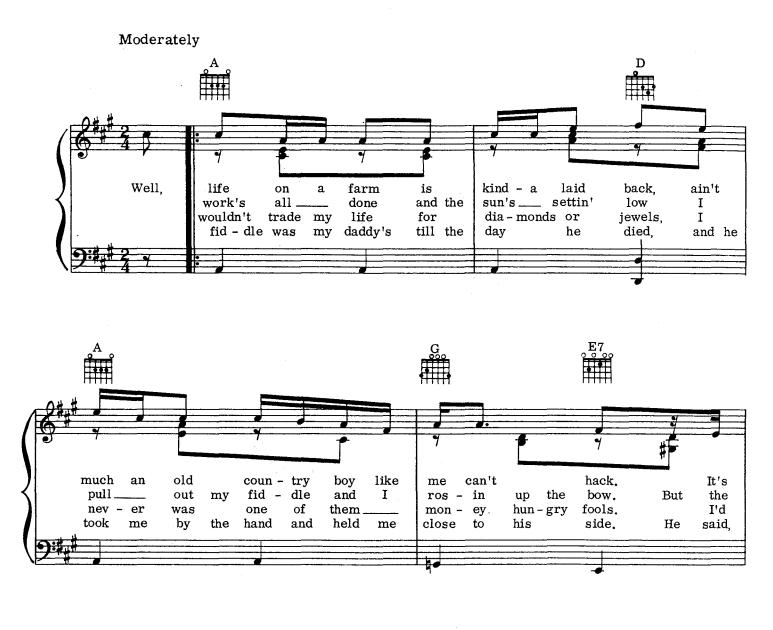






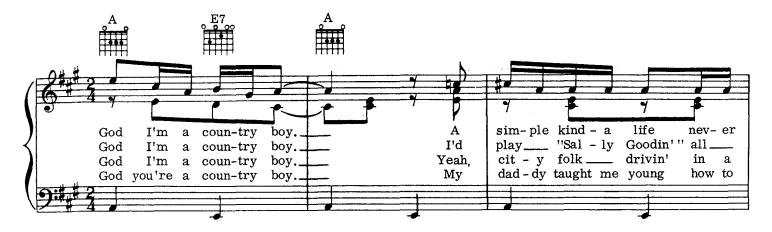
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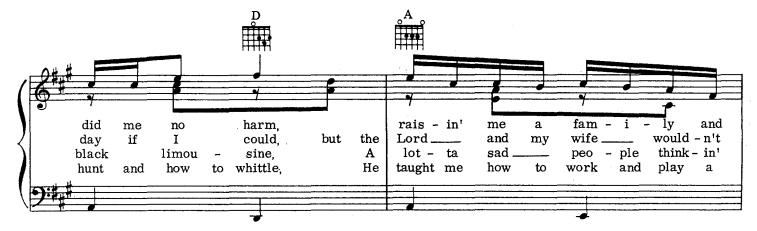
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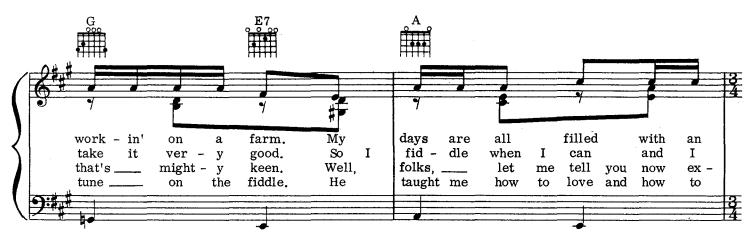


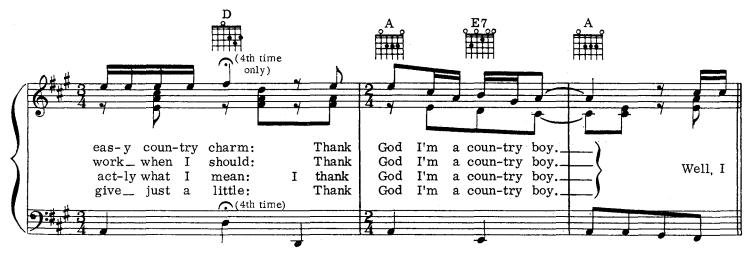


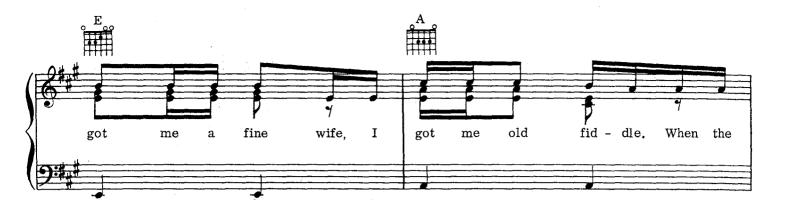
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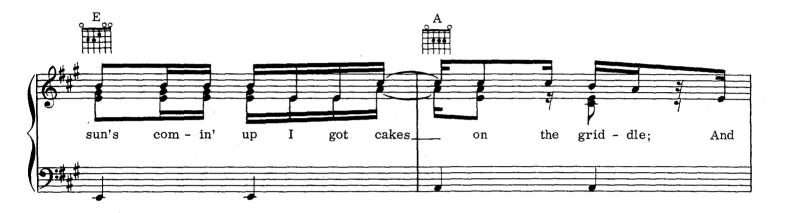




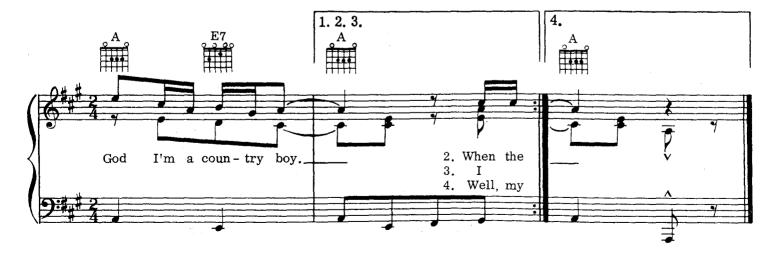










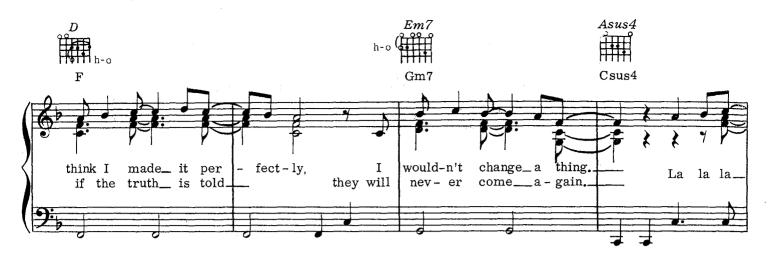


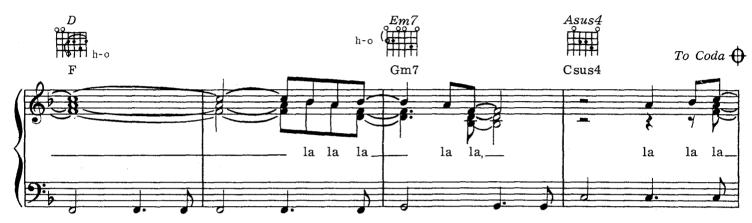
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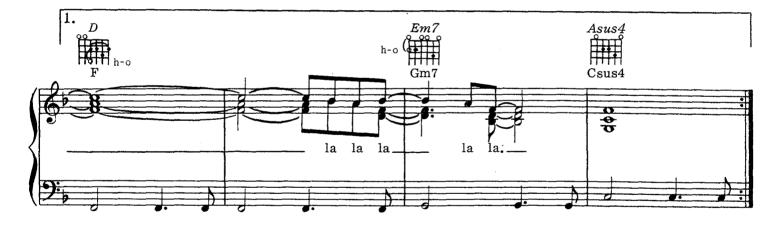
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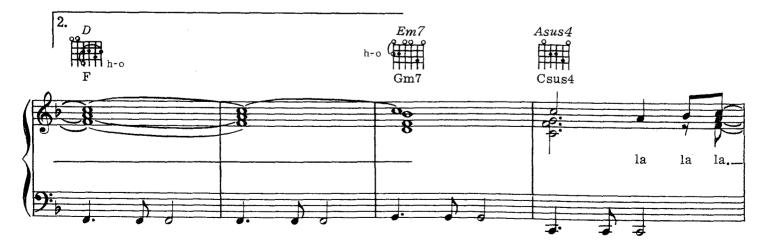


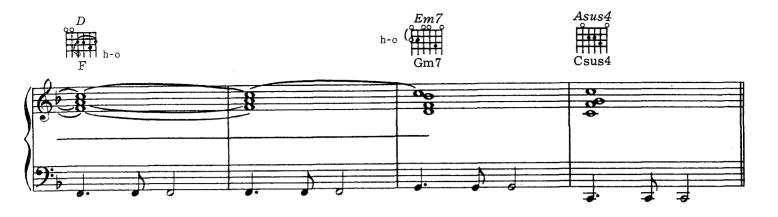
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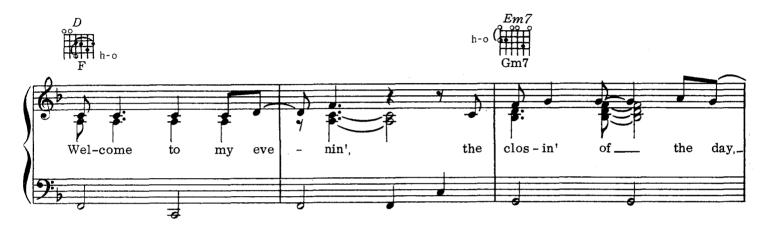




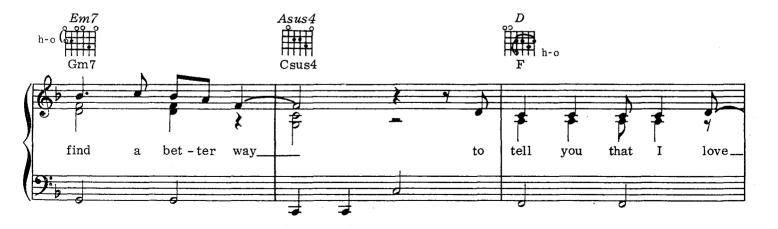




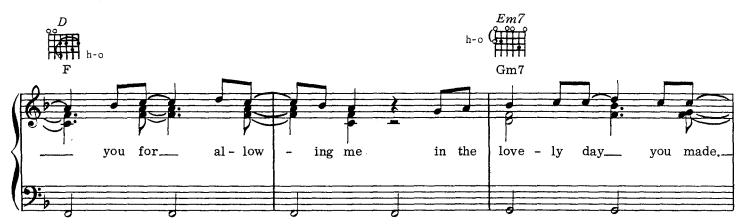


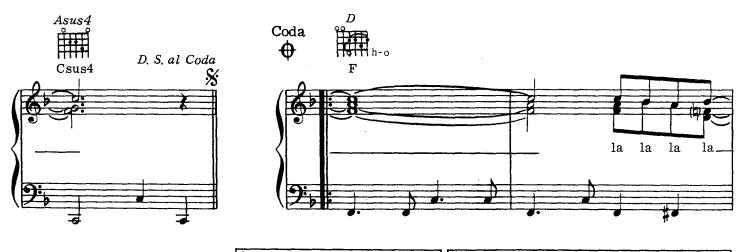


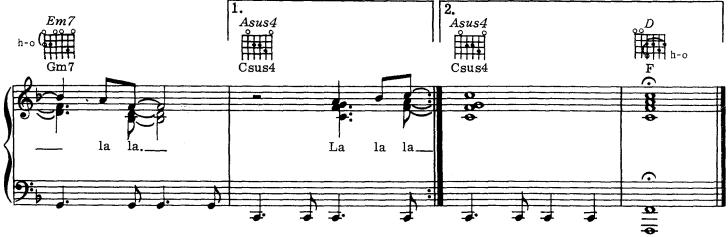












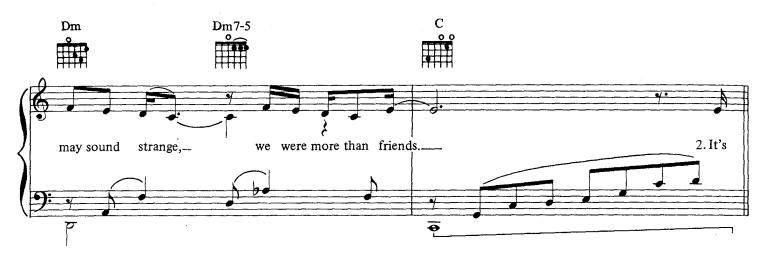
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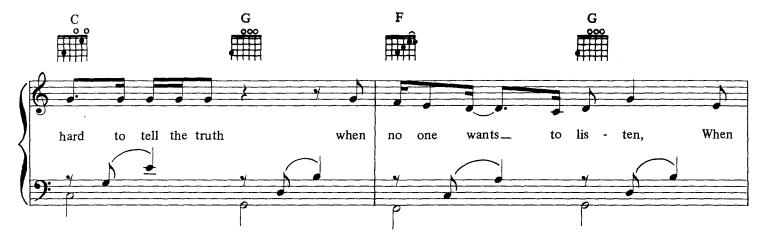
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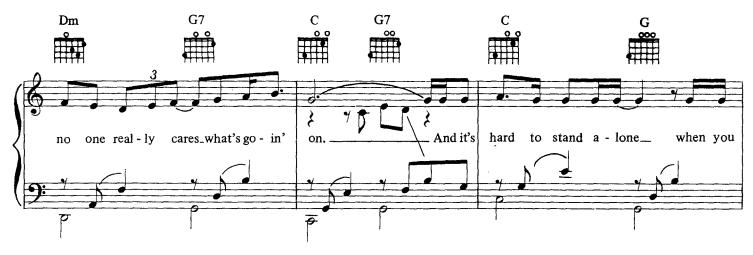


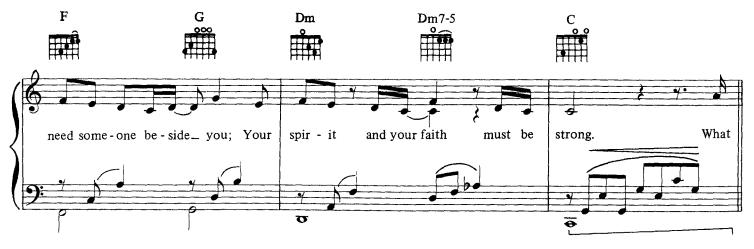
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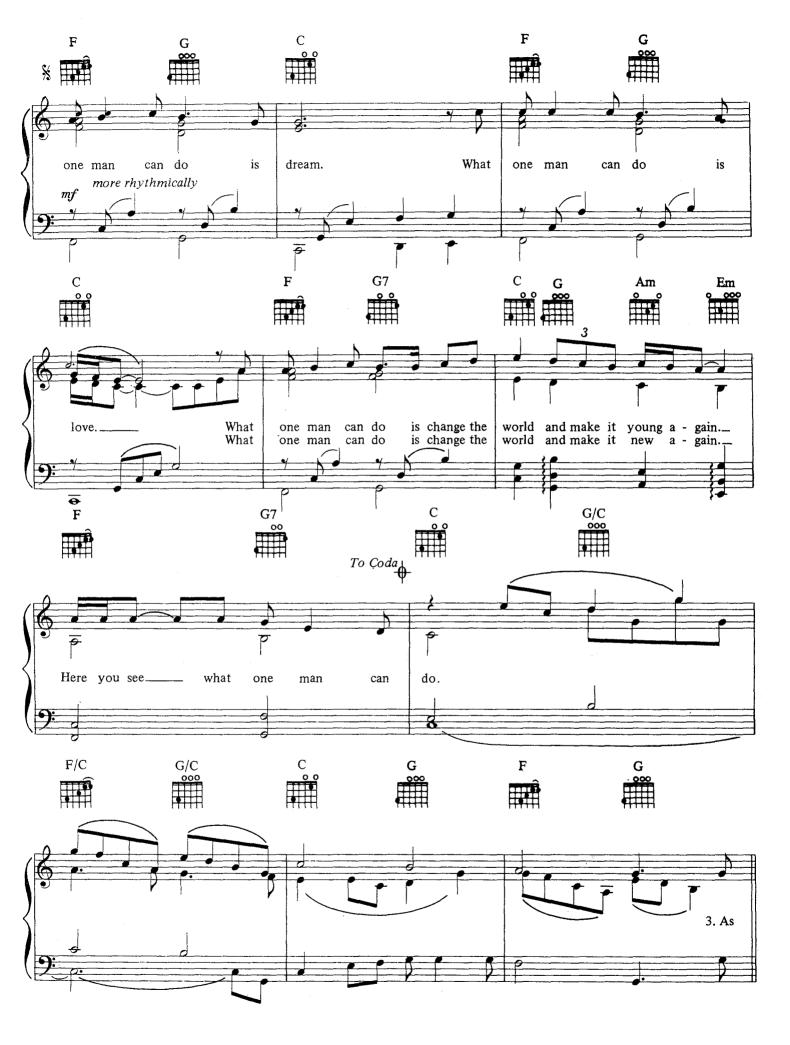
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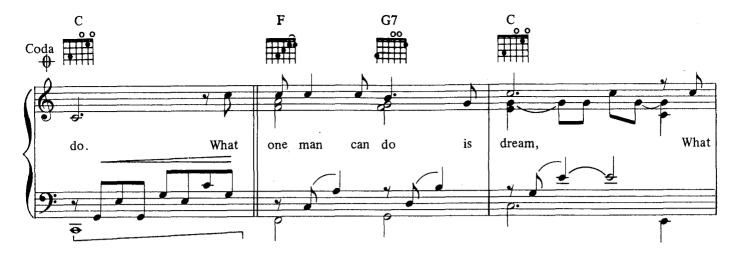


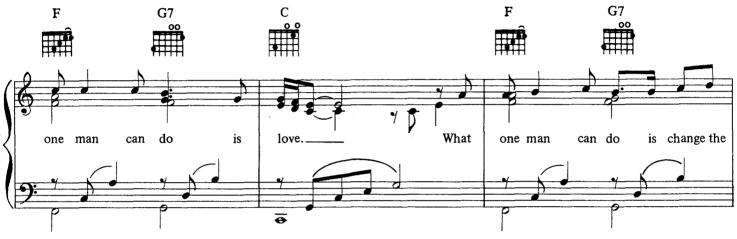


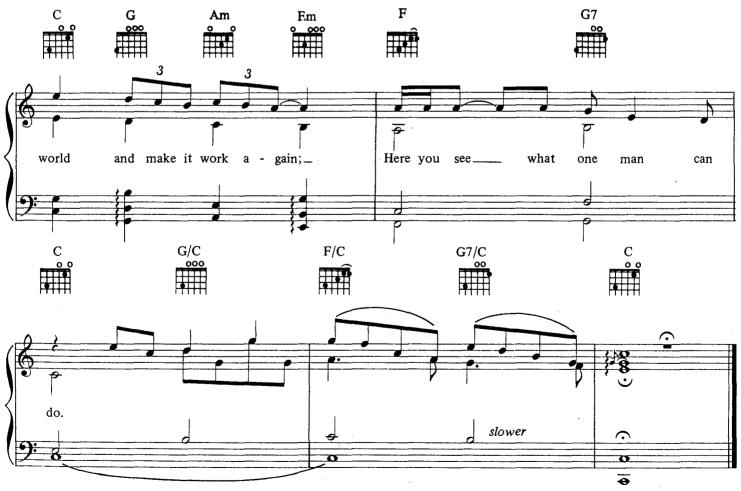






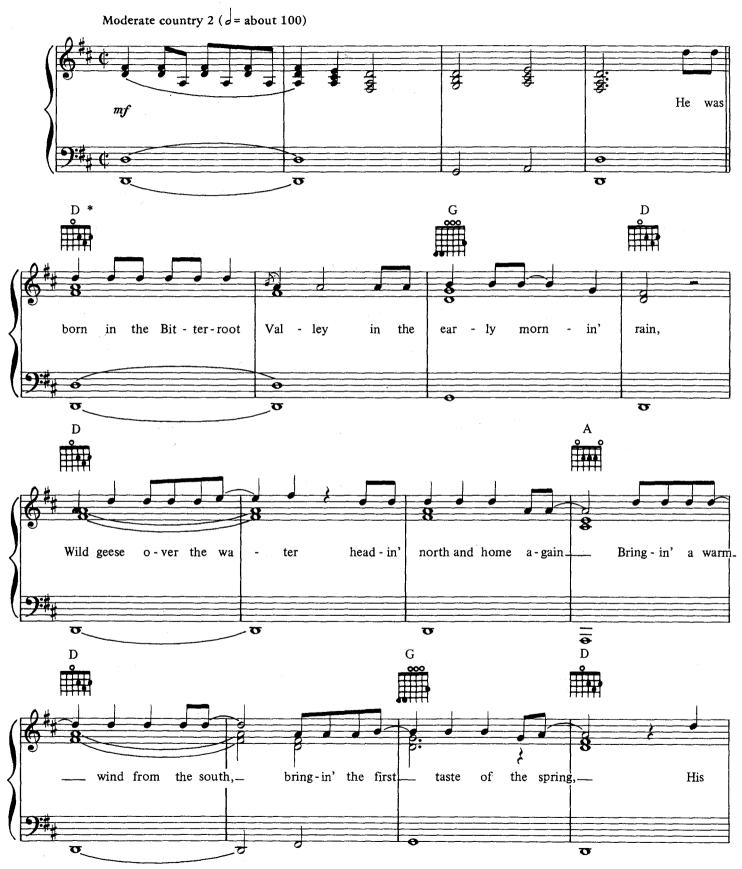






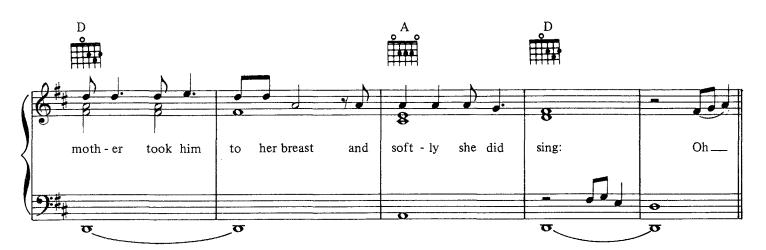
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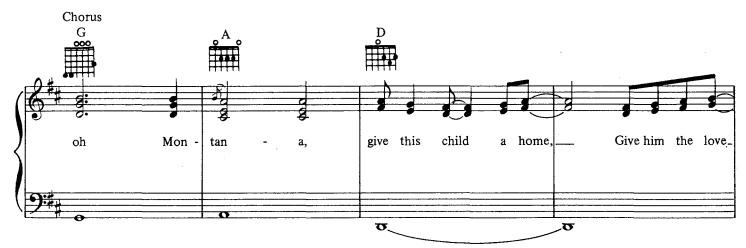
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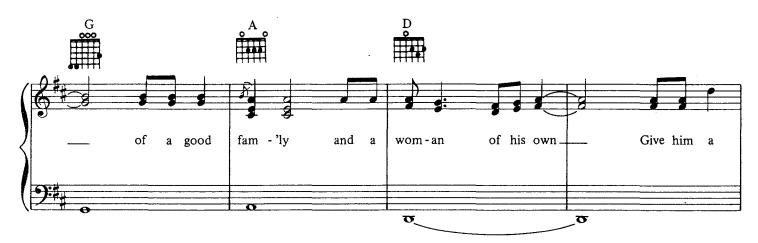


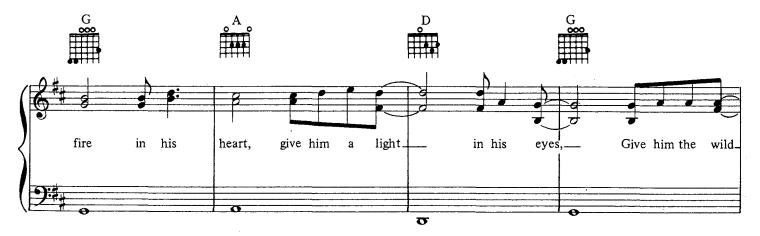
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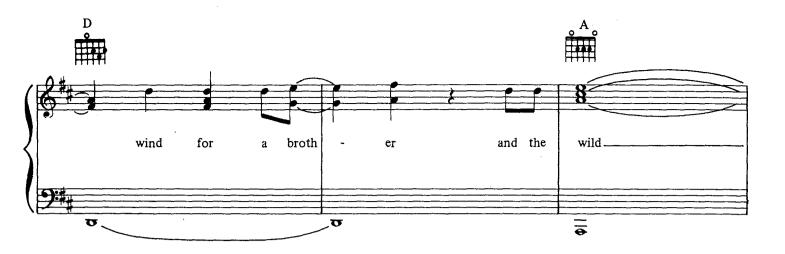
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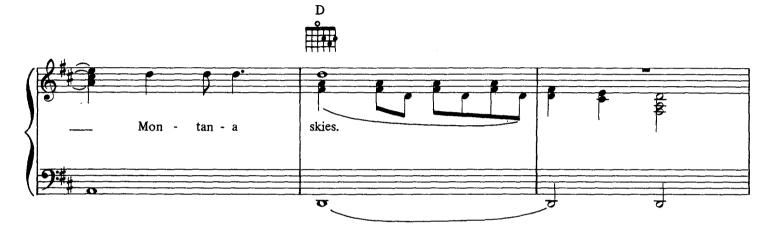


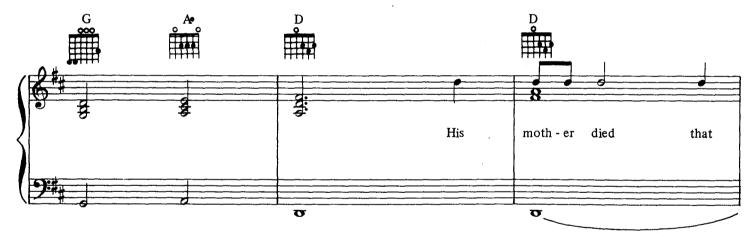


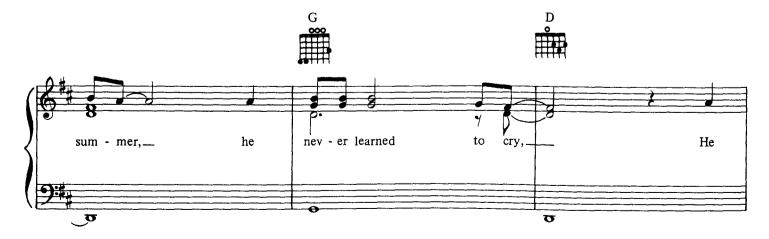


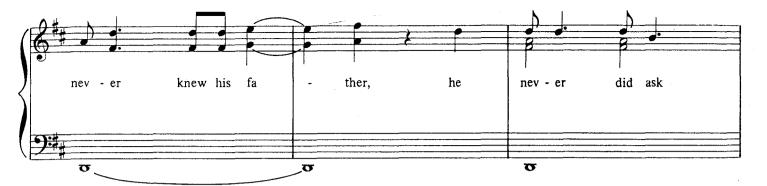


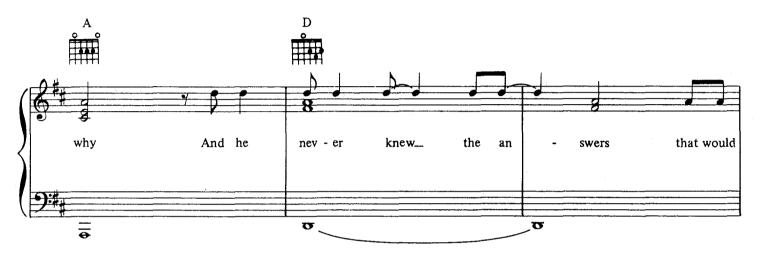


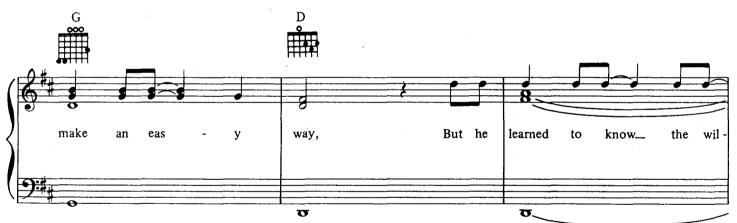


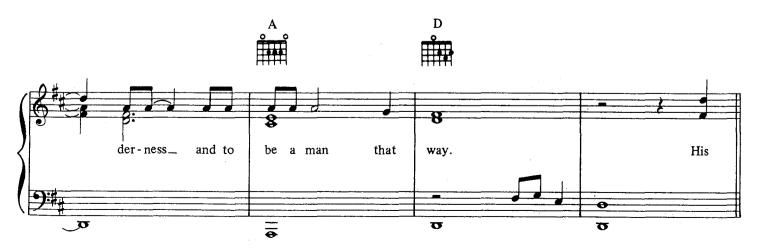


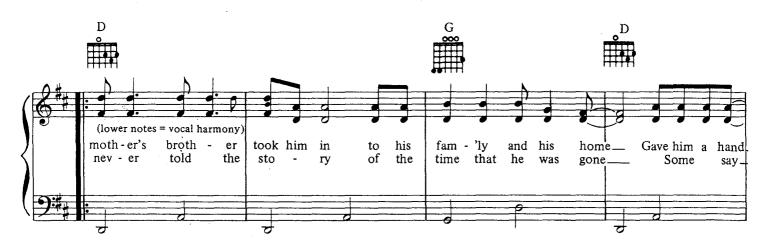




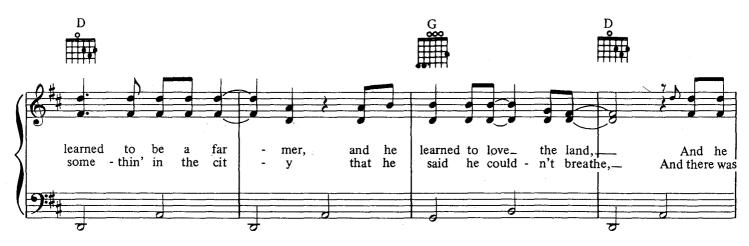


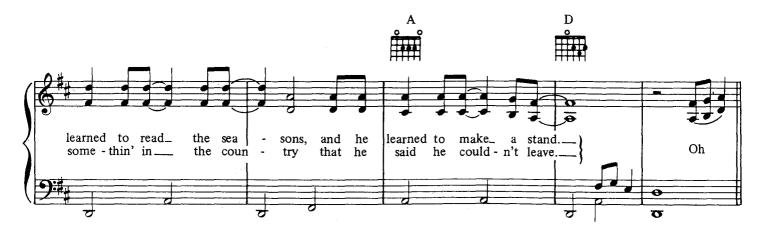






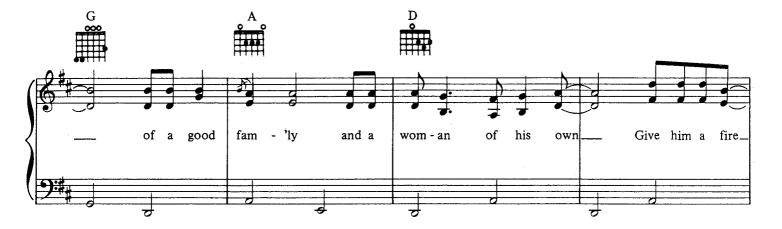




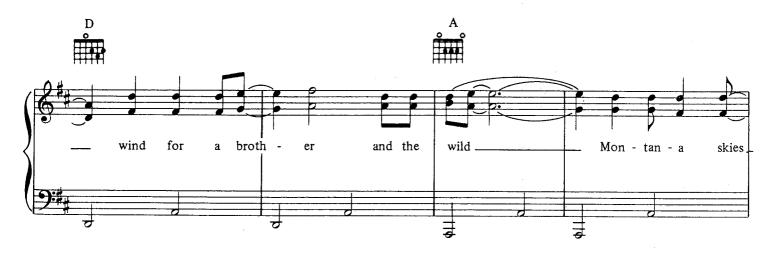


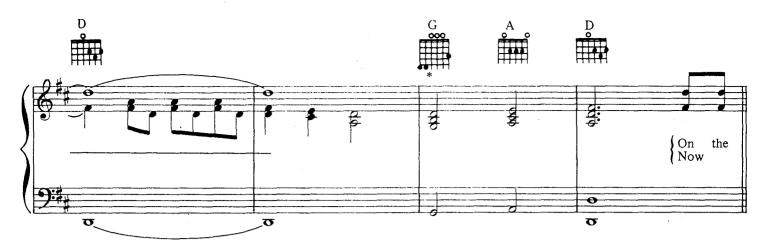


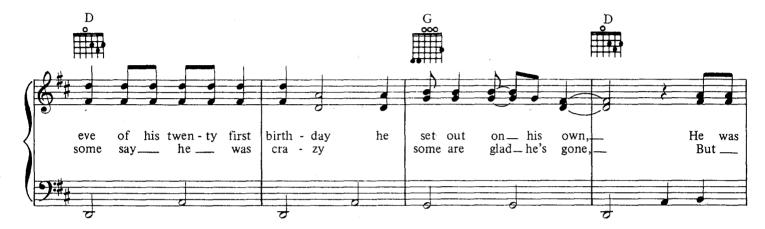




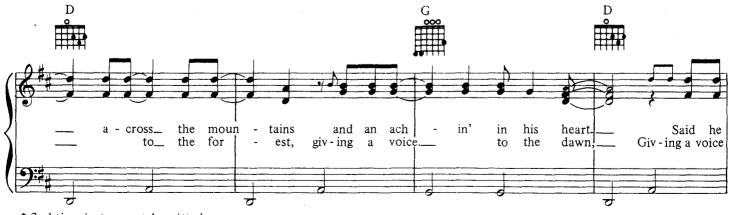




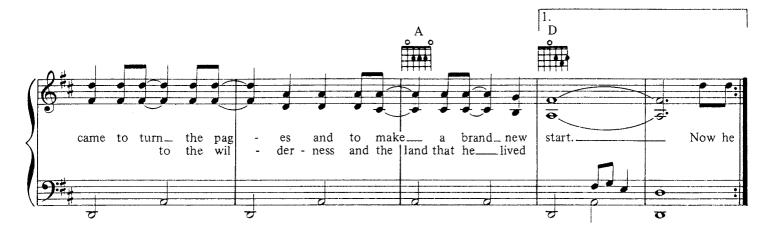


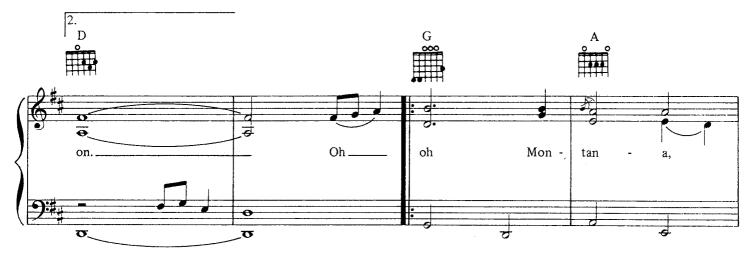




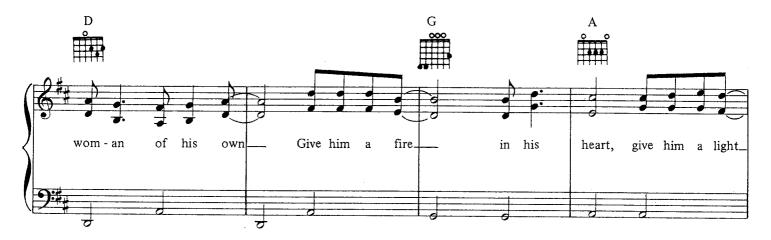


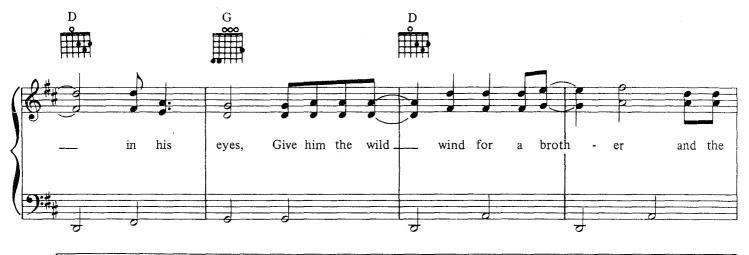
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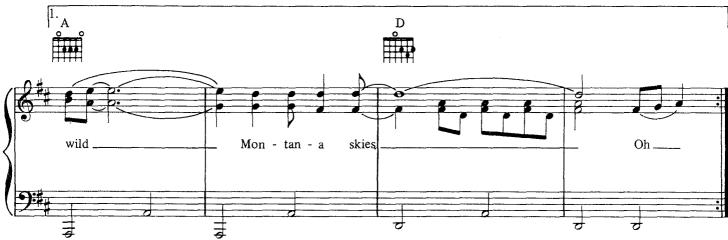


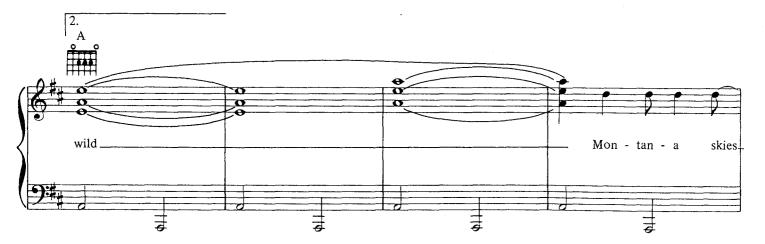


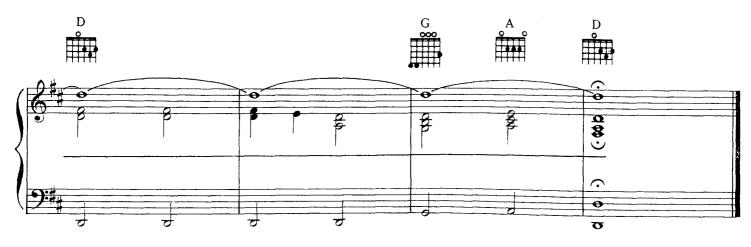










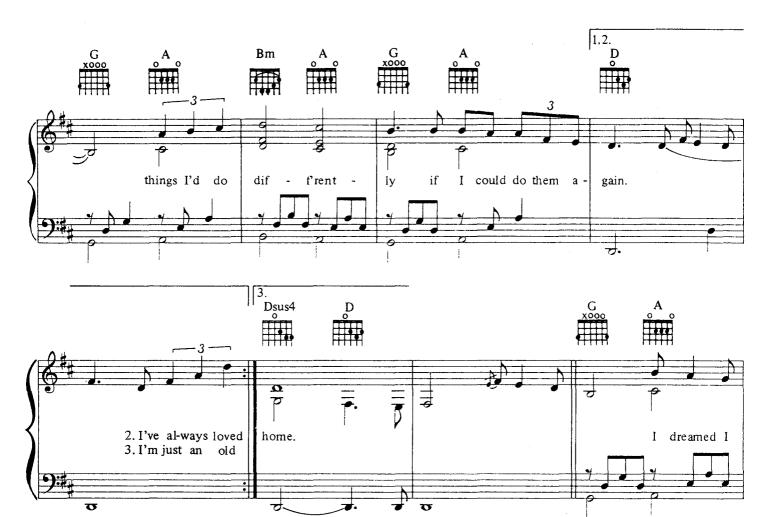


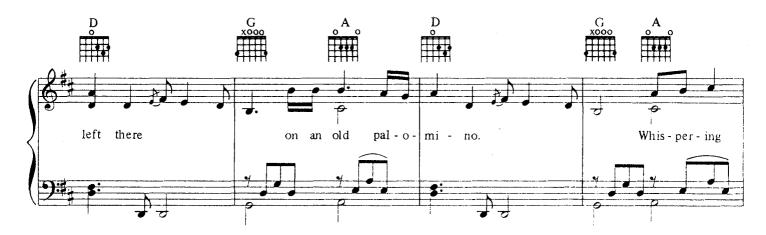
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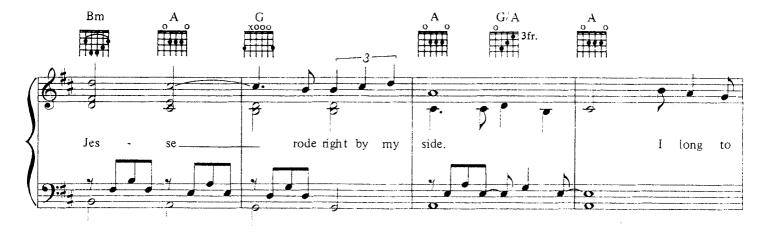
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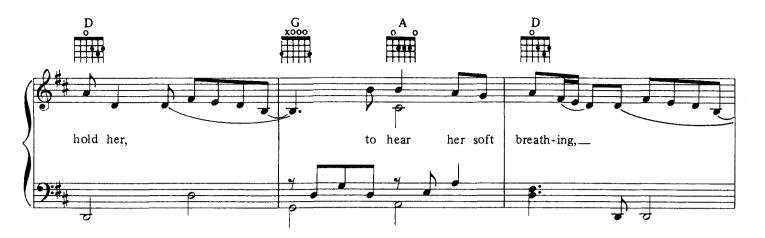


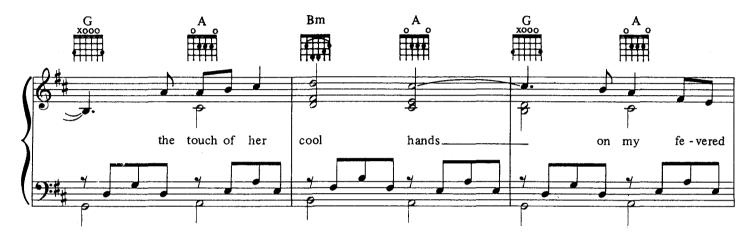
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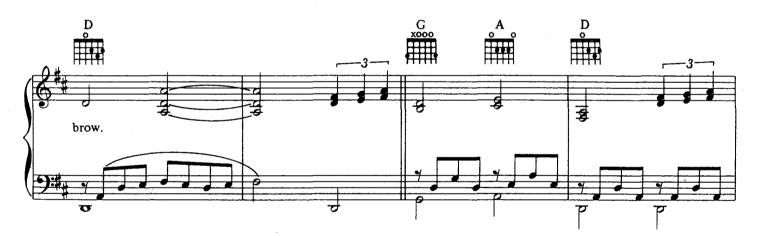


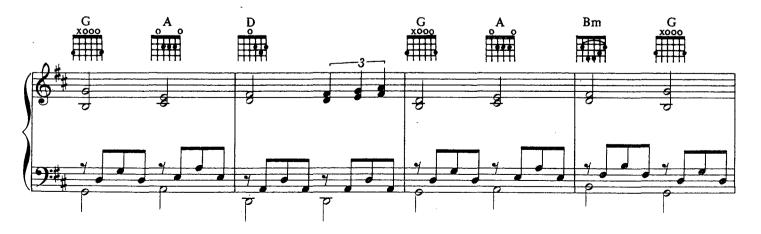














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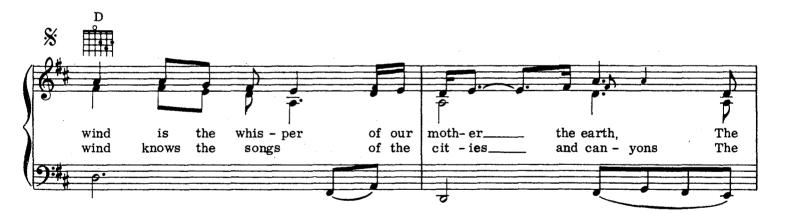
- 2. I've always loved springtime, the passing winter, The green of the new leaves and life goin' on, The promise of morning, the long days of summer, Warm nights of loving her beneath the bright stars.
- 3. I'm just an old cowboy from high Colorado, Too old to ride anymore, too blind to see.I sleep in the city now, away from my mountains, Away from the cabin we always called home.

# Windsong

Words and Music by Joe Henry and John Denver



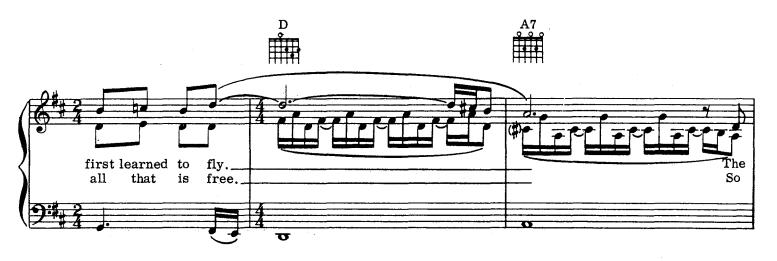




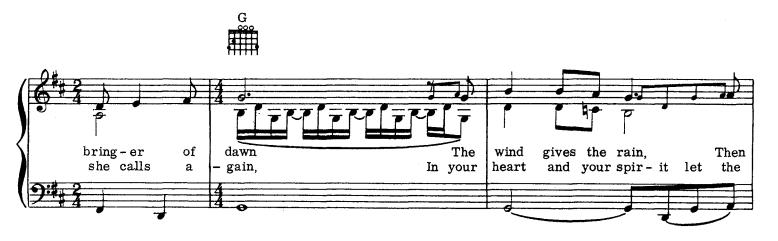


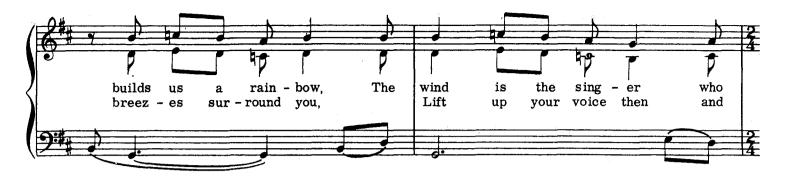
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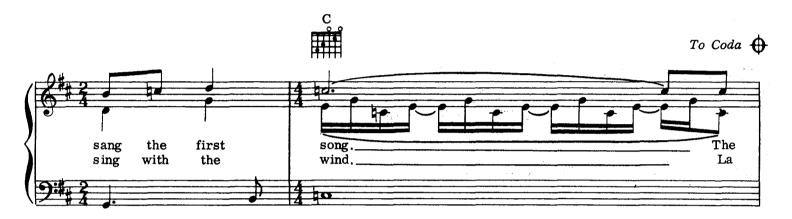


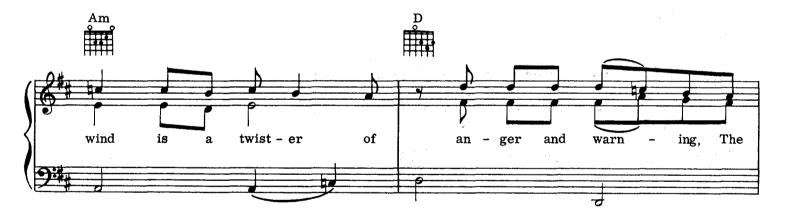


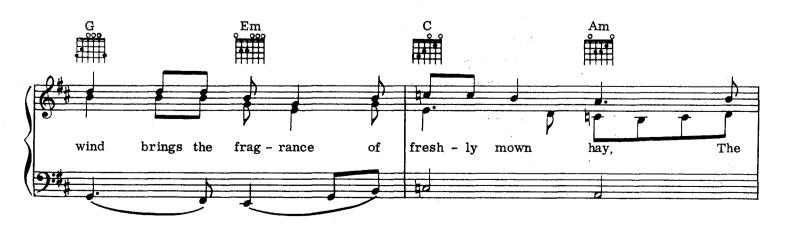




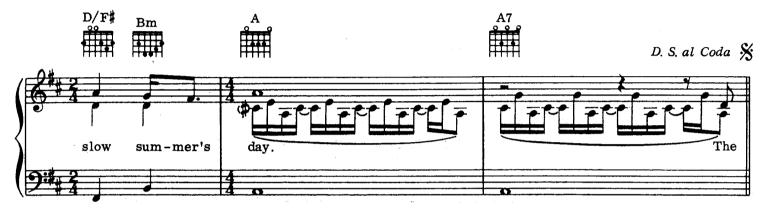


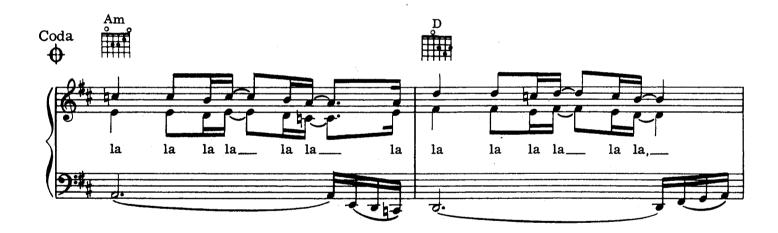


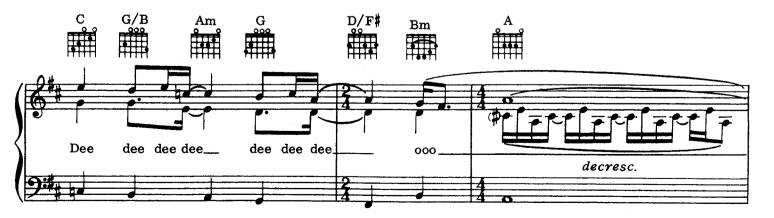


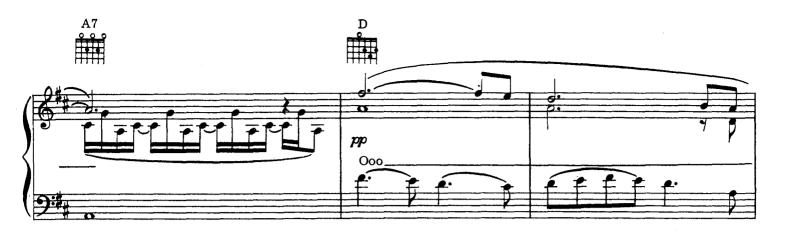


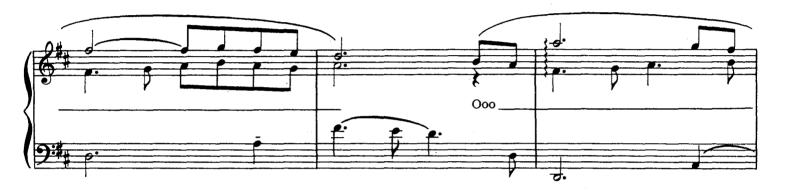


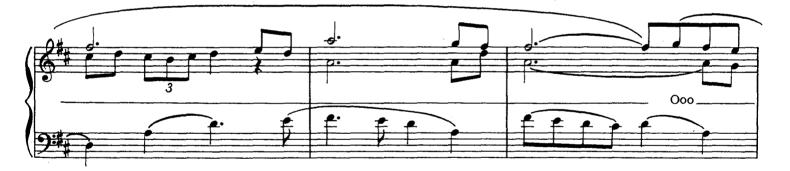


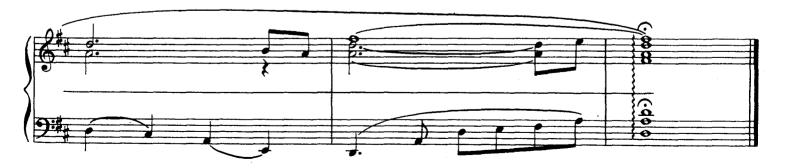












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(I'm Flying Again)

The Flower That Shattered The Stone

Fly Away Flying For Me Follow Me For Baby (For Bobbie) For You

> Garden Song Goodbye Again

Grandma's Feather Bed

Heart To Heart

Higher Ground

How Can I Leave You Again I Guess He'd Rather Be In Colorado

I Want To Live

I'd Rather Be A Cowboy (Lady's Chains)

I'm Sorry

Joseph & Joe Leaving On A Jet Plane Let Us Begin (What Are We Making Weapons For?) Like A Sad Song Looking For Space Matthew My Sweet Lady Never A Doubt On The Wings Of A Dream Perhaps Love Poems, Prayers And Promises **Rhymes And Reasons Rocky Mountain High** Seasons Of The Heart Shanghai Breezes Shipmates And Chevenne Starwood In Aspen Sunshine On My Shoulders Sweet Surrender Take Me Home, Country Roads Thank God I'm A Country Boy To The Wild Country Welcome To My Morning (Farewell Andromeda) What One Man Can Do Whispering Jesse Wild Montana Skies

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