

The First Noel

Gently, about ♩ = 60

Traditional
Arranged by Sally DeFord

The musical score is written for piano in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of five systems of two staves each (treble and bass clef). The first system (measures 1-5) features a treble staff with a melody of eighth notes and a bass staff with a simple accompaniment of quarter notes. The second system (measures 6-11) includes a 3/4 time signature change and a 'con pedale' instruction. The third system (measures 12-17) continues the accompaniment with some chords. The fourth system (measures 18-23) features another 3/4 time signature change. The fifth system (measures 24-29) concludes the piece with a final flourish in the treble staff and a steady accompaniment in the bass staff. Dynamics include piano (p), mezzo-piano (mp), and a crescendo.

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30 *p* *mf* 32 34

36 *p* *mf* 38 40 42

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44 *p* *mp* 46

48 *mf* 50 52

54 *rit.* *p* *rit.* 56 58 *pp*