

Simple Gifts - Soprano (Ab)

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Trad. American Folk Tune

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♩=96

Voice

mp Tis the gift to be simple tis the gift to be free, tis the

Piano

This system contains the first four measures of the piece. The voice part begins with a whole rest in the first measure, followed by the lyrics 'Tis the gift to be simple tis the gift to be free, tis the'. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand and a melody in the right hand that includes dotted rhythms and eighth-note patterns.

5

V

gift to come down where you ought to be. and when we find our selves in the place just right twill

Pno

This system contains measures 5 through 8. The voice part continues with the lyrics 'gift to come down where you ought to be. and when we find our selves in the place just right twill'. The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic patterns, featuring a mix of chords and moving lines in both hands.

9

V

be in the val - ley of love and de-light. *f* When true sim -

Pno

This system contains measures 9 through 12. The voice part concludes with the lyrics 'be in the val - ley of love and de-light. When true sim -'. The piano accompaniment features a dynamic shift to *f* (forte) starting in measure 10, with a more active bass line and sustained chords in the right hand.

13

V
pli - ci - ty is gained, to bow and to bend we shan't be a-sham'd. To

Pno

16

V
turn, turn will be - our de-light, 'til by tur - ning, turn - ing we come 'round right.

Pno