

I Saw Three Ships

Traditional

I saw three ships come sail - ing in on Christ - mas Day, on Christ - mas Day;

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 6/8. The melody in the upper staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and C5. The bass line starts with a quarter rest, followed by a dotted quarter note G2, a quarter note F2, and a half note E2.

5 I saw three ships come sai - ling in on Christ - mas Day in the mor - ning.

The second system of music consists of two staves. The melody in the upper staff continues with quarter notes D5, E5, and F5. The bass line continues with quarter notes D2, C2, and B1. The system ends with a double bar line.

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The third system of music consists of two staves. The melody in the upper staff continues with quarter notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. The bass line continues with quarter notes G2, F2, E2, and D2. The system ends with a double bar line.

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The fourth system of music consists of two staves. The melody in the upper staff continues with quarter notes D5, E5, and F5. The bass line continues with quarter notes C2, B1, A1, and G1. The system ends with a double bar line.

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The fifth system of music consists of two staves. The melody in the upper staff continues with quarter notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. The bass line continues with quarter notes F2, E2, D2, and C2. The system ends with a double bar line.

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The sixth system of music consists of two staves. The melody in the upper staff continues with quarter notes D5, E5, and F5. The bass line continues with quarter notes B1, A1, G1, and F1. The system ends with a double bar line.

I saw three ships come sailing in
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day;
I saw three ships come sailing in
On Christmas Day in the morning.

And what was in those ships all three,
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day?
And what was in those ships all three,
On Christmas Day in the morning?

The Virgin Mary and Christ were there,
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day;
The Virgin Mary and Christ were there,
On Christmas Day in the morning.

Pray, wither sailed those ships all three,
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day;
Pray, wither sailed those ships all three,
On Christmas Day in the morning?

O they sailed into Bethlehem,
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day;
O they sailed into Bethlehem,
On Christmas Day in the morning.

And all the bells on earth shall ring,
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day;
And all the bells on earth shall ring,
On Christmas Day in the morning.

And all the Angels in Heaven shall sing,
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day;
And all the Angels in Heaven shall sing,
On Christmas Day in the morning.

And all the souls on earth shall sing,
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day;
And all the souls on earth shall sing,
On Christmas Day in the morning.

Then let us all rejoice again,
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day;
Then let us all rejoice again,
On Christmas Day in the morning.