

# The First Nowell

Words traditional

Traditional English Melody  
Harmonized by Sir John Stainer

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The first Now - ell the an - gel did say Was to cer - tain poor  
They look - ed up and saw \_\_\_ a star, Shin - ing in \_\_\_ the  
This star drew nigh to the \_\_\_ north - west, O'er \_\_\_ Beth - le -  
Then ent - er'd in those wise - men three, Fell \_\_\_ rev - 'rent -

*mf*

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shep - herds in fields as they lay; In fields where they lay, keep - ing their  
East, \_\_\_ be - yond \_\_\_ them far, And to \_\_\_ the earth it gave \_\_\_ great  
hem \_\_\_ it took \_\_\_ its rest, And there it did both stop \_\_\_ and  
ly \_\_\_ up - on \_\_\_ their knee, And of - fer'd there, in His \_\_\_ pres -

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sheep, On a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.  
 light, And so it con - tin - ued both day and night. Now - ell, Now -  
 stay Right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.  
 ence, Their gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.

*ff*

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ell, Now - ell, Now - ell, Born is the King of Is - ra - el

*ff*

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