

# The First Noel

Traditional

Moderately, with a steady beat

The musical score is written in 3/4 time and includes piano accompaniment and vocal lines. The piano part consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a dynamic marking of *mp*. The vocal line is written in a single treble clef staff. The score is divided into four systems, each with four measures. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

Chord symbols: C, G/B, F/A, C/G, F, C, Eb, G9, G13, C, G/B, F, C/G, F, C, Eb, G9, C, G13.

Lyrics:  
The —  
first — No - el the — an - gel did say was to  
looked — up and — saw — a star, shin - ing  
cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay: In —  
in — the east, — be - yond — them far: and —

C G/B F/A

fields \_\_\_\_\_ where \_ they lay \_\_\_ keep - ing their  
to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_ earth it \_\_\_ gave \_\_\_\_\_ great

C/G F C

sheep on a cold win - ter's night \_\_\_\_\_ that  
light, and \_\_\_ so it con - tin - ued both

E♭ G9 C G13 C

was \_\_\_\_\_ so and deep. }  
day \_\_\_\_\_ and night. } No - el, \_\_\_\_\_ No -

Em F C

el, No - el, No - el,

1.2.3.4.5.

F C F6 G9 C G13

born is the King of Is - ra - el. { They -  
And -

6.

C G/C Eb G C Cmaj9

el.

*rit.*

3. And by the light of that same star  
Three wise men came from the country far;  
To seek for a King was their intent,  
And to follow the star wherever it went.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
Born is the King of Israel.

5. Then entered in those wise men three,  
Fell reverently upon their knee,  
And offered there in His presence  
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
Born is the King of Israel.

4. This star drew neigh to the north-west;  
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,  
And there it did both stop and stay,  
Right over the place where Jesus lay.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
Born is the King of Israel.

6. Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord,  
That hath made heaven and earth of nought,  
And with His blood mankind has bought.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel  
Born is the King of Israel.