

little man  
(in a hurry  
full of an  
important worry)  
halt stop forget relax

wait

(little child  
who have tried  
who have failed  
who have cried)  
lie bravely down

sleep

big rain  
big snow  
big sun  
big moon  
(enter

us)

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**Performance note:** deconstructed words should always have the same vowel as the original word. For instance, "man" and "ma" will have identical vowels, as will "rain" and "nayn," etc.

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# little man in a hurry

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Playful, vibrant (♩ = 140)

The musical score is presented in a standard format with five vocal staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and a grand staff for the piano. The vocal staves are currently empty, containing only rests. The piano part begins with a dynamic marking of *f* and includes a *sffz* (sforzando) marking. The tempo is indicated as 'Playful, vibrant' with a quarter note equal to 140 beats per minute. The score is in common time (C) and consists of four measures shown.

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S

A

T *mp*  
8  
lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por-tant wor-ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_\_ of an im-por-tant wor-ry)

B *mp*  
lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por-tant wor-ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_\_ of an im-por-tant wor-ry)

Pno. *mp*

9

S

A

T *mp*  
8  
lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por-tant wor-ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por-tant wor-ry) lit - tle

B *mp*  
lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por-tant wor-ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por-tant wor-ry) lit - tle

Pno. *mp*



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19

S  
hur - ry lit - tle man

A  
hur - ry lit - tle man

T  
8 ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man man hur - - - ry lit - tle man

B  
ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man man hur - - - ry lit - tle man

Pno.

19

S  
22 wor - ry lit - tle man hur - ry wor - ry

A  
wor - ry lit - tle man hur - ry wor - ry

T  
8 wor - ry lit - tle man lit - tle lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man

B  
wor - ry lit - tle man lit - tle lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man

Pno.

22

25 *mp*

S lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full

A lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full

T *mp* full \_\_\_\_ of wor - ry hur - ry full

B *mp* full \_\_\_\_ of wor - ry hur - ry full

Pno. *mp*

28 *mf*

S \_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry)

A \_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry)

T *mf* of wor - ry lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry)

B *mf* of wor - ry lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry)

Pno. *mf*

*sffz*

31

S  
lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry) lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

A  
lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry) lit - tle lit - tle

T  
8  
lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry)

B  
lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_\_ of an im-por - tant wor - ry)

Pno.  
31  
*mp*

34

S  
ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

A  
ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

T

B

34

Pno.

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36

S *f*  
man man lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

A *f*  
ma - ma - ma - ma - man lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

T *f*  
8 lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

B *f*  
lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

Pno. *subf*

38

S  
ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

A  
ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

T *f*  
8 ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man

B  
ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man -

Pno.

little man in a hurry

40

S  
man man hur - - - ry lit-tle ma-ma-man wor-ry lit-tle ma-ma-man

A  
man man hur - - - ry lit-tle ma-ma-man wor-ry lit-tle ma-ma-man

T  
hur-ry lit-tle man hur-ry lit-tle man wuh-wuh wor-ry lit-tle man wuh-wuh

B  
- - hur-ry lit-tle man hur-ry lit-tle man wuh wuh wor-ry lit-tle man wuh-wuh

Pno.

40

*ffz* *ffz*

43

S  
hur-ry wuh-wor-ry lit-tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man

A  
hur-ry wuh-wor-ry lit-tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man

T  
wor-ry lit-tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man

B  
wor-ry lit-tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man

Pno.

43

*subp*



little man in a hurry

46 *ff* *slowing* *mp* *ten.* *rit.....*

S  
stop halt for - get stop halt re - lax wait

A  
stop halt for - get stop halt re - lax wait

T  
8 stop halt for - get stop halt re - lax wait

B  
stop halt for - get stop halt re - lax wait

Pno.  
*ff* *mp*

51 **Teneramente** ♩ = 135 *p*

S  
lit - tle child who have tried

A  
lit - tle child who have tried

T  
8

B

Pno.  
*mp* *p*

*pedal generously*

54

S

A

T *mp*

B *mp*

nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh — nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh — nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh

nuh nuh nuh nuhnuh — nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh

54

Pno.

54

S

A

T *mp*

B *mp*

who have failed who have — cried

who have failed who have — cried

nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh — nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh — nuh nuh

nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh — nuh nuh

57

Pno.

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60

S  
lie brave - - - ly

A  
lie brave - - - ly down

T  
8  
nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh — nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh — nuh nuh nuh nuh

B  
nuh nuh nuh — nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh nuh

Pno.  
60  
*pp*

63

S  
dow - now - now - now - now now nuh - nuh - nuh - nuh - nuh - nuh - nuh - nuh - nuh - nuh - nuh

A  
now - now - now - now - now

T  
8  
lie brave - - - - - ly

B  
lie brave - - - - - ly down

Pno.  
63

65

S  
nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh-nuh-nuh-nuh now - now - now - now - now - now - now

A  
nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh-nuh-nuh nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh

T  
8  
dow - now - now - now - now now nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh-nuh - nuh - nuh-nuh

B  
now - now - now - now - now

Pno.

67

S  
*p*  
sleep peeppeep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep

A  
*p*  
*port.*  
sleep peeppeep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep

T  
*p*  
sleep peeppeep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep

B  
*p*  
*port.*  
sleep peeppeep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep peep

Pno.  
*p*

71 *mf* **Tempo I**

S *mf* *p*  
peep re -

A *mf* *p*  
peep re -

T *mf* *p*  
peep re -

B *mf*  
peep

Pno. *mf*

71 **Tempo I**

S 75  
lax re - - - lax

A 75  
lax re - - - lax

T 75  
lax re - - - lax

B *mp*  
big rai(n) - nay - nay - nay - nay - nay - nay - nay - nay - big rai(n) - nay - nay - nay -

Pno. 75

78

S  
re - - - lax re -

A  
re - - - lax re -

T  
*mp*  
re - - - lax big snow no no-no no no no no no no no

B  
nay-nay-nay - nay-nay-nay-nayn big rai(n) - nay-nay - nay - nay - nay-nay - nay-nay - nay-nay-nayn

Pno.

78

S  
lax re - - - lax *cresc. poco a poco*

A  
lax re - - - lax big sun nun nun - nun nun nun *cresc. poco a poco*

T  
big big snow no no-no no no no no no no no big big snow no no - no *cresc. poco a poco*

B  
big rai(n) - nay-nay - nay - nay - nay-nay - nay-nay-nay-nayn big rai(n) - nay - nay - nay - *cresc. poco a poco*

Pno.

81

84

S *mf*  
re - lax re -

A  
nun nun nun nun big big sun nun nun - nun nun nun nun nun nun

T  
no no no no no no no no big big snow no no - no no no no no no no no

B  
nay - nay-nay - nay-nay-nay-nay-nay big rai(n) - nay - nay - nay - nay - nay - nay-nay - nay-nay-nay-nay-nay

Pno.

84

S  
lax moon big big big

A  
big big sun nun nun - nun nun nun nun nun nun nun

T  
big big snow no no - no no no no no no no no

B  
big rai(n) - nay - nay - nay - nay - nay - nay-nay - nay-nay - nay - nay - nay

Pno.

87

89

S  
moon en - ter en - ter - en - ter en - ter us ah

A  
big big sun nun nun nun nun en - ter en - ter - en - ter en - ter us ah

T  
big big snow no no - no en - ter en - ter - en - ter en - ter us ah

B  
big rai(n) - nay - nay - nayn en - ter en - ter - en - ter en - ter us ah

Pno.

89

92

S  
en - ter us ah big rain big snow big sun big moon hur - ry en - ter us

A  
en - ter us ah big rain big snow big sun big moon hur - ry en - ter us

T  
en - ter us ah big rain big snow big sun big moon hur - ry en - ter us

B  
en - ter us ah big rain big snow big sun big moon hur - ry en - ter us

Pno.

92



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S *p* re - - - - - *port.* *mf* lax hur - ry

A *p* re - - - - - *port.* *mf* lax hur - ry

T *fp* *port.* *f* ah lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full —

B *fp* *port.* *f* ah lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full —

Pno. *submp* *f*

98

S *mp* *mf* wuh - wuh - wuh wor - ry wor - ry fuh - fuh full — of wor - ry

A *mp* *mf* wuh - wuh - wuh wor - ry wor - ry fuh - fuh full — of wor - ry

T *8* — of an im-por - tant wor - ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full — of an im - por - tant wor - ry)

B — of an im-por - tant wor - ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full — of an im - por - tant wor - ry)

Pno. *8*

101 *f*

S  
lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im - por - tant wor - ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full

A  
lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full \_\_\_\_ of an im - por - tant wor - ry) lit-tle man in a hur-ry (full

T  
8 ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

B  
ma - ma - ma ma ma ma ma ma ma ma ma ma ma ma

Pno.

101 *accel. poco a poco al fine*

S  
\_\_\_\_ of an im - por - tant wor - ry hur - ry lit - tle hur - ry lit - tle

A  
\_\_\_\_ of an im - por - tant wor - ry hur - ry lit - tle hur - ry lit - tle

T  
8 ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man wor - ry hur - ry lit - tle hur - ry lit - tle

B  
ma ma ma \_\_\_\_ ma ma \_\_\_\_ ma man wor - ry hur - ry lit - tle hur - ry lit - tle

Pno.

104 *accel. poco a poco al fine*

106 *subp*

S hur - ry lit - tle hur - ry lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

A hur - ry lit - tle hur - ry lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

T hur - ry lit - tle hur - ry lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

B hur - ry lit - tle hur - ry lit - tle ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma -

*subp*

Pno. *sempref*

108 *ff*

S ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man lit - tle man in a hur - ry

A ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man lit - tle man in a hur - ry

T ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man *ff* stop

B ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - ma - man *ff* stop

Pno. *va* *ff*