

AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger, no crib for His bed,
The little Lord Jesus lay down His sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay.
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the poor baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes.
I love Thee, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky,
And stay by my side, 'till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay,
Close by me forever and love me I pray!
Bless all the dear children, in Thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.

MARY'S BOY CHILD

Long time ago in Bethlehem, so the Holy Bible say,
Mary's boy child, Jesus Christ, was born on Christmas day.

***Hark, now hear the angels sing, a new King born today,
And we shall live forever more, because of Christmas day.
Trumpets sound and angels sing, listen to what they say,
That we shall live forever more, because of Christmas day.***

While shepherds watched their flock by night, they saw a bright new shining star,
And then they heard a choir sing, the music seemed to come from afar.
Now Joseph and his wife Mary, come to Bethlehem that night,
Then find no place to borne her child, not a single room was in sight.

***Hark, now hear the angels sing, a new King born today,
And we shall live forever more, because of Christmas day.
Trumpets sound and angels sing, listen to what they say,
That we shall live forever more, because of Christmas day.***

Then by and by in Bethlehem, in a stable all forlorn,
And in a manger cold and dark, Mary's little boy was born.
Long time ago in Bethlehem, so the Holy Bible say,
Mary's boy child, Jesus Christ, was born on Christmas day.

***Hark, now hear the angels sing, a new King born today,
And we shall live forever more, because of Christmas day.***

***Trumpets sound and angels sing, listen to what they say,)
That we shall live forever more, because of Christmas day...) repeat last 2 lines.***



CHRISTMAS EVE CAROLS

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JINGLE BELLS



Dashing through the snow
On a one-horse open sleigh
O'er the fields we go
Laughing all the way.
Bells on bob tails ring,
Making spirits bright.
What fun it is to ride and sing,
A sleighing song tonight.

***Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way.
Oh, way fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh, hey!
Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way.
Oh, way fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh.***

A day or two ago,
I thought I'd take a ride.
And soon, Miss Fanny Bright
Was seated by me side.
The horse was lean and lank
Misfortune seemed his lot.
He got into a drifted bank
And then we got upsot.

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Jingle all the way.
Oh, way fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh, hey!
Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way.
Oh, way fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh.***

A day or two ago,
The story I must tell.
I went out on the snow
And on my back I fell.
A gent was riding by
In a one-horse open sleigh
He laughed as there I sprawling lie
but quickly drove away.

***Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way.
Oh, way fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh, hey!
Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way.
Oh, way fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh.***

Now the ground is white,
Go it while you're young.
Take the girls tonight
And sing this sleighing song.
Just get a bobtailed bay
Two forty as his speed
Hitch him to an open sleigh
And crack, you'll take the lead.

***Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way.
Oh, way fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh, hey!
Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way.
Oh, way fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh.***

TWELVE DAYS OF A KIWI CHRISTMAS

(words by Kingi Matutaera Ihaka ©1981)

On the first day of Christmas, my true love gave to me
A pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the second day of Christmas, my true love gave to me...
2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the third day of Christmas, my true love gave to me ...
3 flax kits, 2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the fourth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me ...
4 huhu grubs, 3 flax kits, 2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the fifth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me ...
5-BIG FAT PIGS - 4 huhu grubs, 3 flax kits, 2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the sixth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me ...
6 poi's a twirling,
5-BIG FAT PIGS - 4 huhu grubs, 3 flax kits, 2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the seventh day of Christmas, my true love gave to me ...
7 eels a swimming, 6 poi's a twirling,
5-BIG FAT PIGS - 4 huhu grubs, 3 flax kits, 2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the eighth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me ...
8 plants of puha, 7 eels a swimming, 6 poi's a twirling,
5-BIG FAT PIGS - 4 huhu grubs, 3 flax kits, 2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the ninth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me ...
9 sacks of pipi's, 8 plants of puha, 7 eels a swimming, 6 poi's a twirling,
5-BIG FAT PIGS - 4 huhu grubs, 3 flax kits, 2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the tenth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me ...
10 juicy fish heads, 9 sacks of pipi's, 8 plants of puha, 7 eels a swimming, 6 poi's a twirling,
5-BIG FAT PIGS - 4 huhu grubs, 3 flax kits, 2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the eleventh day of Christmas, my true love gave to me ...
11 haka lessons, 10 juicy fish heads, 9 sacks of pipi's, 8 plants of puha, 7 eels a swimming, 6 poi's a twirling,
5-BIG FAT PIGS - 4 huhu grubs, 3 flax kits, 2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

On the twelfth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me ...
12 piupiu's swinging, 11 haka lessons, 10 juicy fish heads, 9 sacks of pipi's, 8 plants of puha, 7 eels a swimming, 6 poi's a twirling,
5-BIG FAT PIGS - 4 huhu grubs, 3 flax kits, 2 kumara, and a pukeko in a ponga tree.

HAVE A HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS

Have a holly jolly Christmas, it's the best time of the year.
We all hope the sun will shine and there's cups of cheer.

Have a holly jolly Christmas, and when you walk down the street.
Say hello to friends you know, and everyone one you meet.

***Ho, ho, ho, the mistletoe, hung where you can see.
Somebody waits for you, kiss them once for me.***

Have a holly jolly Christmas, and in case you didn't hear.
Oh, by golly, have a holly jolly Christmas this year.

SUMMER WONDERLAND

Sleigh bells ring, are you listening?
Sun burn sting, ice-blocks glistening.
The beautiful sight of barbies alight,
Strolling through a Summer Wonderland.

Pour the sav, in the sunshine.
Serve the pav, up at lunch time.
Pop the bubbles for Nan,
pineapples on ham,
Strolling through a Summer Wonderland.

Bridge:
*In the arvo we can grab the wickets,
And plastic cricket bat your brother found.
Backyard full of all your distant rellies,
So, we pass the can of mozzie spray around.*



Later on, the sun is falling.
And your drunk uncle's snoring.
We'll hear birds in the trees,
feel the warm breeze.
Strolling through a Summer Wonderland.

Way down here, Christmas landmarks,
Are summer flowers, and funny tan marks.
We're happy and bright,
not a snowman in sight.
Strolling through a Summer Wonderland.

***Strolling through a Summer,
Strolling through a Summer,
Strolling through a Summer Wonderland.***

TE HARINUI

Not on a snowy night, by star or candlelight
Nor by an angel band, there came to our dear land.

**Te Harinui, te Harinui,
Te Harinui, glad tidings of great joy!**

But on a summer's day, within a quiet bay,
The Maori people heard, the great and glorious word.

**Te Harinui, te Harinui,
Te Harinui, glad tidings of great joy!**

The people gathered round, upon the grassy ground,
And heard the preacher say, I bring to you this day.

**Te Harinui, te Harinui,
Te Harinui, glad tidings of great joy!**

Now in this blessed land, united heart and hand,
We praise the glorious birth and sing to all the earth.

**Te Harinui, te Harinui,
Te Harinui, glad tidings of great joy!**



DECK THE HALLS

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la, la, la.
Tis the season to be jolly, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la, la, la.
Don we now our gay apparel,
Fa-la-la, la-la-la, la, la, la.
Troll the ancient Yuletide carol, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la, la, la.

See the blazing Yule before us, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la, la, la.
Strike the harp and join the chorus, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la, la, la.
Follow me in merry measure,
Fa-la-la, la-la-la, la, la, la.
While I tell of Yuletide treasure, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la, la, la.

Fast away the old year passes, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la, la, la.
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la, la, la.
Sing we joyous, all together,
Fa-la-la, la-la-la, la, la, la.
Heedless of the wind and weather, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la, la, la.
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la, la, la.

LITTLE DRUMMER BOY

Come they told me, pa rum pa pum pum.
Our newborn King to see, pa rum pa pum pum.
Our finest gifts we bring, pa rum pa pum pum.
To lay before the King, pa rum pa pum pum,
Rum pa pum pum, rum pa pum pum.....
So, to honour Him, pa rum pa pum pum,
When we come ...

Little Baby, pa rum pa pum pum.
I am a poor boy too, pa rum pa pum pum.
I have no gift to bring, pa rum pa pum pum.
To lay before the King, pa rum pa pum pum.
Rum pa pum pum, rum pa pum pum.....
Shall I play for you, pa rum pa pum pum,
On my drum? ...

Mary nodded, pa rum pa pum pum.
The ox and lamb kept time, pa rum pa pum pum.
I played my drums for Him, pa rum pa pum pum.
I played my best for Him, pa rum pa pum pum.
Rum pa pum pum, rum pa pum pum.....
Then He smiled at me, pa rum pa pum pum,
Me and my drum... ... Me and my drum... ... Me and my drum.



WE THREE KINGS

We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain following yonder star.

***O-oh, star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.***

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown Him again,
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.

***O-oh, star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.***

Fred Dagg Kiwi Verse: We three kings of Orient are, one in a tractor, two in a car,
One on a scooter, tooting his hooter, following yonder star.

Sung faster: ***O-oh, star of wonder, star of light, star of bewdy she'll be right,
Star of glory, that's the story, following yonder star.***

SNOOPY'S CHRISTMAS

(sing along to the record of The Royal Guardsmen)

The news had come out in the First World War
The bloody Red Baron was flying once more.
The Allied command ignored all of its men.
And called on Snoopy to do it again.

Was the night before Christmas, 40 below.
When Snoopy went up in search of his foe,
He spied the Red Baron, fiercely they fought.
With ice on his wings Snoopy knew he was caught.

***Christmas bells, those Christmas bells,
Ring out from the land.
Asking peace of all the world,
And good will to man.***

The Baron had Snoopy dead in his sights,
He reached for the trigger to pull it up tight.
Why he didn't shoot, well, we'll never know,
Or was it the bells from the village below.

***Christmas bells, those Christmas bells,
Ring out from the land.
Asking peace of all the world,
And good will to man.***

The Baron made Snoopy fly to the Rhine.
And forced him to land behind the enemy lines.
Snoopy was certain that this was the end.
When the Baron cried out, "Merry Christmas, my friend".

The Baron then offered a holiday toast.
And Snoopy, our hero, saluted his host.
And then with a roar they were both on their way.
Each knowing they'd meet on some other day.

***Christmas bells, those Christmas bells,
Ring out from the land.
Asking peace of all the world,
And good will to man. (repeat chorus)***



JINGLE BELL ROCK

Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell rock
Jingle bells swing and jingle bells ring
Snowin' and blowin' up bushels of fun
Now the jingle hop has begun.

Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell rock
Jingle bells chime in jingle bell time
Dancin' and prancin' in Jingle Bell Square
In the frosty air.

What a bright time, it's the right time
To rock the night away
Jingle bell time is a swell time
To go glidin' in a one-horse sleigh.

Giddy-up jingle horse, pick up your feet
Jingle around the clock
Mix and a-mingle in the jinglin' feet
That's the jingle bell rock.



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RUDOLPH THE RED-NOSED REINDEER

*(solo) You know Dasher and Dancer, and Prancer and Vixen,
Comet and Cupid and Doner and Blitzen.*

But do you recall... the most famous reindeer of all...



Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer, had a very shiny nose.
And if you ever saw it, you would even say it glows.
All of the other reindeer, used to laugh and call him names,
They never let poor Rudolph, join in any reindeer games.

Then one foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say.
Rudolph with your nose so bright, won't you guide my sleigh tonight?

Then how the reindeer loved him, as they shouted out with glee:
"Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer, you'll go down in history"
"You'll go down in history".

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

You better watch out; you better not cry.
You better not pout, I'm telling you why.
Santa Claus is coming to town.

He's making a list and checking it twice.
Gonna find out who's naughty and nice.
Santa Claus is coming to town.

He sees you when you're sleeping.
He knows when you're awake.
He knows if you've been bad or good.
So be good for goodness' sake.

You better watch out; you better not cry.
You better not pout, I'm telling you why.
Santa Claus is coming to town.
Santa Claus is coming to town.



THE FIRST NOEL

The first noel, the angels did say.
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as
they lay.
In fields where they lay, keeping their sheep.
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel

They looked up and saw a star.
Shining in the East beyond them far
And to the earth it gave great light
And so, it continued both day and night.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel

And by the light of that same star,
Three wise men came from 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

This star drew nigh 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

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

SILENT NIGHT

Silent night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright.
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
Holy infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Hallelujah.
Christ, the Saviour is born.
Christ, the Saviour is born.

Silent night, holy night
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth.



FELIZ NAVIDAD

Feliz navidad, Feliz navidad, Feliz Navidad
Prospero año y felicidad.
Feliz navidad, Feliz navidad, Feliz Navidad
Prospero año y felicidad.

I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas, I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas,
I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas, From the bottom of my heart.
I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas, I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas,
I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas, From the bottom of my heart.

(Repeat song twice)