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# LITTLE LAMB, WHO MADE THEE?

for mixed chorus *a cappella*

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# Little Lamb, who made thee?

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**Gently** ♩ = 70  
solo  
*mp*

SOPRANO

1. Lit - tle lamb, who made thee?

Detailed description: This block shows the beginning of the piece for the Soprano voice. It is in G major and 5/4 time. The tempo is marked 'Gently' with a quarter note equal to 70 beats. The dynamics are 'solo' and 'mp' (mezzo-piano). The lyrics are '1. Lit - tle lamb, who made thee?'.

2

S. Dost thou know who made thee? Gave thee life and bid thee feed

A. *p*  
\*Mm -

T. *p*  
\*Mm -

B. *p*  
\*Mm -

Detailed description: This block contains the second system of the score. The Soprano part continues with the lyrics 'Dost thou know who made thee? Gave thee life and bid thee feed'. The Alto, Tenor, and Bass parts have rests for the first measure and then enter with a humming line marked 'p' (piano) and '\*Mm -'. The time signature changes to 5/4 for the second measure.

\* A relaxed humming, with lips slightly apart. "Oo" may be substituted if preferred.

4

S. by the stream and o'er the mead: Gave thee clo- thing of de- light,

A. *pp*  
mm - - -

T. *pp*  
mm - - -

B. *pp*  
mm - - -

*tutti*  
*mp*

Detailed description: This block contains the fourth system of the score. The Soprano part continues with the lyrics 'by the stream and o'er the mead: Gave thee clo- thing of de- light,'. The Alto, Tenor, and Bass parts have rests for the first measure and then enter with a humming line marked 'pp' (pianissimo) and 'mm - - -'. The Soprano part is marked 'tutti' and 'mp' for the second measure. The time signature changes to 5/4 for the second measure.

2 6

S. *p*  
soft-est clo-thing, wool-ly bright. Ah

A. *p*  
-mm - - - mm  
*mf prominent*

T. *mm*  
Gave thee such a ten-der voice,

B. *mm*  
*p*

8

S. *mf*  
-ah Lit-tle lamb, who made-thee?

A. *p*  
- - - - -

T. *mm*  
*p*  
ma-king all the vales re-joice.

B. *Mm*  
*p*

12

S. *p* [short] , *pp*  
dost thou know who made-thee? 2.Lit-tle lamb, I'll tell thee,

A. *pp* [short] , *pp*  
- - - - - [short] 2.Lit-tle lamb, I'll tell thee,

T. *mm* *pp* [short] , *pp*  
*pp* 2.Lit-tle lamb, I'll tell thee,

B. *pp* [short] , *pp*  
-mm 2.Lit-tle lamb, I'll tell thee,

15

S. lit - tle lamb, I'll tell thee, He is call - ed by thy name,

A. lit - tle lamb, I'll tell thee, He is call - ed by thy name,

T. lit - tle lamb, I'll tell thee, He is call - ed by thy name,

B. lit - tle lamb, I'll tell thee, He is call - ed by thy name,

17

S. for he calls him - self a lamb. He is meek and he is mild, *p* *espress.*

A. for he calls him - self a lamb. He is meek and he is mild, *p* *espress.*

T. for he calls him - self a lamb. He is meek and he is mild, *p* *espress.*

B. for he calls him - self a lamb. He is meek and he is mild, *p* *espress.*

19

S. he be - came a lit - tle child, I a child and thou a lamb, *mp*

A. he be - came a lit - tle child, I a child and thou a lamb, *mp*

T. he be - came a lit - tle child, I a child and thou a lamb, *mp*

B. he be - came a lit - tle child, I a child and thou a lamb, *mp*

4 21

S. *mf* *p*  
 we are call - ed by his name. Lit - tle lamb, God

A. *mf* *p*  
 we are call - ed by his name. Lit - tle lamb, God

T. *mf* *p*  
 we are call - ed by his name. Lit - tle lamb, God

B. *mf* *p*  
 we are call - ed by his name. Lit - tle lamb, God

24

S. *pp*  
 bless thee, lit - tle lamb, God bless thee!

A. *pp*  
 bless thee, lit - tle lamb, God bless thee!

T. *pp*  
 bless thee, lit - tle lamb, God bless thee!

B. *pp*  
 bless thee, lit - tle lamb, God bless thee!

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