

The Garden Door

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Very expressive and flexible

The Gar - den was a *peace-ful place*, *a*

SOPRANO

ALTO

TENOR

BASS

Piano

9

peace-ful place, with deep and leaf-y shade, And God came there each af-ter-noon, To look at what
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peace-ful place, with deep and leaf - y shade, And God came there each af-ter-noon, To look at what

mp 3 mf <

3

18 *f* *p* *mf* *p*

He'd made. I walked with Him quite oft-en, A mongst

f *p* *mf*

He'd made. I walked with Him A-mongst the plants and flow'rs,

f *p* *mf*

He'd made. I walked with Him quite oft-ten, A - mongst,

f *p* *mf*

He'd made. I walked with Him And all were

27 *p*

We wan - dered,

p

We wan - dered,

p

We wan-dered there for hours.

solo (recit) *f*

"They have no names,"

(a tempo) mp

the Lord God said,

(recit)

fresh cre-a ted, We wan - dered, *"But you shall*

p

f *mp*

37 *a tempo*
mf

42 (simile) *mp* *p*
— said God; And then the crea-tures from the wild, — Came
— said God; And then the crea-tures from the wild, — Came
— said God; And then the crea-tures from the wild, — Came
— good at giv-ing names," — "Let's try you with some more." —

A musical score for piano, showing two staves. The top staff uses a treble clef and the bottom staff uses a bass clef. Measure 11 starts with a rest followed by a series of eighth-note chords. Measure 12 begins with a half note, followed by a dynamic marking 'p' (piano), and continues with a series of eighth-note chords.

52 *f* *3* *ff* *fp* *p* *piu p*

— through the Gar - den door. *the Lord God said, (We sat be-neath*

f *3* *ff* *fp* *p* *piu p*

— through the Gar - den door. *the Lord God said, (We sat be-neath*

f *3* *ff* *fp* *p* *piu p*

— through the Gar - den door. *the Lord God said, We sat be-neath*

ff

"Now name their names,"

60 *p* *mf* *mp*

a tree) And so I thought of ma-ny names, *the horse, the swan, The*

p *mf* *mp*

a tree) And so I thought of ma-ny names, *the lamb, the swan, The*

p *mf* *mp*

a tree) And so I thought of ma-ny names, *the li-on, the swan, The*

(tutti) *mf* *mp*

The deer and hon-ey bee, *the swan, The*

mf

67

rab-bit and the hare, And so the list went on and on, Of all those that were there!

rab-bit and the hare, And so the list went on and on, and on, Of all thoses that were there!

8 rab-bit and the hare, And so the list went on and on, and on, Of all those that were there!

rab-bit and the hare, And so the list went on and on, and on, Of all those that were there!

P

73

And all one day and all the next, I named the ma-ny names, Till in the eve - ning sun-set light, The

And all one day and all the next, I named the ma-ny names, Till in the eve - ning sun-set light, The

8 And all one day and all the next, I named the ma-ny names, Till in the eve - ning sun-set light, The

And all one day and all the next, I named the ma-ny names, Till in the eve - ning sun-set light, The

The piano part continues with a harmonic progression of chords.

82

ve-ry last one came; A pale gi-raffe with spot- ted neck, then God said,— mm
ve-ry last one came; And then God said,— mm
ve-ry last one came; And then God said,— mm
ve-ry last one came; "That's all!"

solo (recit)
mf

mf sub pp

mf sub pp

mf sub pp

91

But that was ma-ny years a - go, The
But that was ma-ny years a - go, The
But that was ma-ny years a - go, The
And while they are, those are their names. To ans-ter when you call!"
mp

p

p

p

mp

100

solo (recit)
mf

Gar-den is no more, At least, we can-not find the way, To find the Gar-den door; The a - ni-mals still
Gar-den is no more, At least, we can-not find the way, To find the Gar-den door;
Gar-den is no more, At least, we can-not find the way, To find the Gar-den door;
To find the Gar-den door;

tutti p

108

3

mp

come to me, In ans - wer to my call, But not the Lord,

3

mp

112

p

poco rit (gradually closed mouth)

p 3 *poco rit* (gradually closed mouth) (gradually closed mouth)

p 3 *poco rit* (gradually closed mouth)

p 3 *poco rit* (gradually closed mouth)

p 3 *poco rit* (gradually closed mouth)