

Silent Night, Holy Night

Sample
by
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Grade: 4

Duration: 2:52

Instrumentation

1 – Conductor Score
1 – Glockenspiel
1 – Vibraphone 1
1 – Vibraphone 2
1 – Marimba 1
1 – Marimba 2

1 – Chimes
1 – Percussion 1
Suspended Cymbal, Triangle
1 – Percussion 2
Ocean Drum, Bongos
1 – Percussion 3
Wind Chimes, Sleigh Bells, Conga,
Suspended Cymbal

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This is a new take on a Christmas staple and is meant for a young percussion ensemble. The piece begins with a duet of bowed vibes who freely introduce the famous melody. The melody is played in its entirety as the rest of the ensemble enters. A change to 6/8 offers a great chance to introduce or reinforce the time signature. The piece is meant to be accessible and offers flexible instrumentation. The conductor should feel free to double or triple (or more) each of the parts to accommodate more players. Any of the drums or other auxiliary instruments can be swapped out for whatever you have available. Get creative! This would make a great piece for an elementary or middle school winter concert.

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words by Joseph Mohr
arr. Adam Pietz (ASCAP)

Complete Score

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Freely ♩ = 70

2 3 4 5 6 7

Glockenspiel

Vibraphone 1
arco
p

Vibraphone 2
arco
mp

Marimba 1

Marimba 2

Chimes

Percussion 1
Suspended Cymbal,
Triangle
ff

Percussion 2
Ocean Drum,
Bongos
ff

Percussion 3
Wind Chimes,
Sleigh Bells, Conga,
Suspended Cymbal
ff

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11 Adagio ♩ = 76

8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

Glock.

Vibe 1 to mallets with mallets

Vibe 2 to mallets with mallets

Mar. 1 **p**

Mar. 2 **p**

Chim.

Perc. 1 Suspended Cymbal Triangle

Perc. 2 Ocean Drum

Perc. 3 **p** Wind Chimes

p

16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23

Glock. *p*

Vibe 1

Vibe 2

Mar. 1

Mar. 2

Chim.

Perc. 1 *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

Perc. 2

Sleigh Bells

Perc. 3

This musical score page contains eight staves, each representing a different instrument or percussion group. The instruments listed are Glockenspiel (Glock.), Vibraphone (Vibe 1 and Vibe 2), Marimba (Mar. 1 and Mar. 2), Chimney (Chim.), Percussion 1 (Perc. 1), Percussion 2 (Perc. 2), and Percussion 3 (Perc. 3). The score spans from measure 16 to measure 23. Measure 16 features the Glockenspiel with a dynamic marking of *p*. Measures 17 through 23 show various patterns for the Vibraphones, Marimbas, and Percussions. Measure 23 concludes with a dynamic marking of *p* for Percussion 1. The Percussion 2 staff shows sustained notes throughout the measures. The Percussion 3 staff includes a label 'Sleigh Bells' and features eighth-note patterns. A large, diagonal watermark reading 'sample' is overlaid across the entire page.

24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

Glock.

Vibe 1

Vibe 2

Mar. 1

Mar. 2

Chim.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

mp

p

32 rit. 33 34 35 A tempo 36 37 Sprited ♩ = ♪ 38

Glock.

Vibe 1

Vibe 2 *mp*

Mar. 1 *n*

Mar. 2 *n*

Chim.

Perc. 1 *p* *mp* to Bongos

Perc. 2 to Conga

Perc. 3

Musical score for "Silent Night. Holy Night" page 6, featuring nine staves for various instruments:

- Glock.**: Starts with a rest, then begins a rhythmic pattern at measure 40.
- Vibe 1**: Remains silent throughout the measures shown.
- Vibe 2**: Starts with a rest, then begins a rhythmic pattern at measure 40.
- Mar. 1**: Remains silent throughout the measures shown.
- Mar. 2**: Starts with a rest, then begins a rhythmic pattern at measure 40.
- Chim.**: Starts with a rest, then begins a rhythmic pattern at measure 40.
- Perc. 1**: Starts with a rest, then begins a rhythmic pattern at measure 40. Includes dynamic markings *mf*, *p*, and a fermata.
- Perc. 2**: Starts with a rest, then begins a rhythmic pattern at measure 40. Includes dynamic markings *mf*, *p*, and a fermata.
- Perc. 3**: Starts with a rest, then begins a rhythmic pattern at measure 40. Includes dynamic marking *mf*.

Measure numbers 39 through 45 are indicated above the staves. Measure 45 is boxed.

Musical score for "Silent Night. Holy Night" showing parts for various instruments from measures 46 to 52.

The score includes parts for:

- Glock. (Measures 46-52)
- Vibe 1 (Measures 46-52)
- Vibe 2 (Measures 46-52)
- Mar. 1 (Measures 46-52)
- Mar. 2 (Measures 46-52)
- Chim. (Measures 46-52)
- Perc. 1 (Measures 46-52)
- Perc. 2 (Measures 46-52)
- Perc. 3 (Measures 46-52)

Instrumental parts and dynamics:

- Glock.: Measure 46: *mp*; Measure 48: eighth-note pairs; Measure 49: *mf*; Measure 51: eighth-note pairs.
- Vibe 1: Measures 46-50: rests; Measure 51: eighth-note pairs; Measure 52: eighth-note pairs.
- Vibe 2: Measures 46-50: eighth-note pairs; Measure 51: *mf*; Measure 52: eighth-note pairs.
- Mar. 1: Measures 46-50: sixteenth-note patterns; Measure 51: *f*; Measure 52: sixteenth-note patterns.
- Mar. 2: Measures 46-50: sixteenth-note patterns; Measure 51: *mf*; Measure 52: sixteenth-note patterns.
- Chim.: Measures 46-50: rests; Measure 51: *mf*; Measure 52: eighth-note pairs.
- Perc. 1: Measures 46-50: sixteenth-note patterns; Measure 51: *mf*; Measure 52: sixteenth-note patterns.
- Perc. 2: Measures 46-50: eighth-note patterns; Measure 51: *mf*; Measure 52: eighth-note patterns.
- Perc. 3: Measures 46-50: eighth-note patterns; Measure 51: *mp*; Measure 52: sixteenth-note patterns.

Musical score for "Silent Night. Holy Night" page 8, showing parts for Glock., Vibe 1, Vibe 2, Mar. 1, Mar. 2, Chim., Perc. 1, Perc. 2, and Perc. 3.

The score consists of eight staves, each with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. Measure numbers 53 through 59 are indicated above the staves.

- Glock.** (Treble clef) Measures 53-59: Notes on the first, third, and fifth beats of each measure.
- Vibe 1** (Treble clef) Measures 53-59: Notes on the first, third, and fifth beats of each measure. Dynamics: *mf* (measures 53-55), *mp* (measures 56-59).
- Vibe 2** (Treble clef) Measures 53-59: Notes on the first, third, and fifth beats of each measure. Dynamics: *mp* (measures 53-55), *mf* (measures 56-59).
- Mar. 1** (Treble clef) Measures 53-59: Notes on the first, third, and fifth beats of each measure. Dynamics: *mf* (measures 53-55), *mp* (measures 56-59).
- Mar. 2** (Bass clef) Measures 53-59: Notes on the first, third, and fifth beats of each measure. Dynamics: *mp* (measures 53-55), *p* (measures 56-59).
- Chim.** (Treble clef) Measures 53-59: Notes on the first, third, and fifth beats of each measure. Dynamics: *mp* (measures 53-55), *p* (measures 56-59).
- Perc. 1** (Bass clef) Measures 53-59: Notes on the first, third, and fifth beats of each measure. Dynamics: *p* (measures 53-55), *f* (measures 56-59).
- Perc. 2** (Bass clef) Measures 53-59: Notes on the first, third, and fifth beats of each measure. Dynamics: *p* (measures 53-55), *f* (measures 56-59).
- Perc. 3** (Bass clef) Measures 53-59: Notes on the first, third, and fifth beats of each measure. Dynamics: *p* (measures 53-55), *f* (measures 56-59).

60 61 62 63 64

65 Adagio $\text{♩} = 76$ 66

Glock.

Vibe 1

Vibe 2

Mar. 1

Mar. 2

Chim.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75

Glock.

Vibe 1

Vibe 2

Mar. 1

Mar. 2

Chim.

Perc. 1

Ocean Drum

Perc. 2

Sleigh Bells

Perc. 3

rit.