

Brahms Lullaby (Lullaby and Good Night)

Lullaby and good night, with roses bedight
With lilies o'er spread is baby's wee bed
Lay thee down now and rest, may thy slumber be blessed
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Lullaby and good night, thy mother's delight Bright angels beside my darling abide They will guard thee at rest, thou shalt wake on my breast They will guard thee at rest, thou shalt wake on my breast

[original German]

Guten Abend, gute Nacht, Mit Rosen bedacht, Mit Naeglein besteckt, schlupf unter die Deck' Morgen frueh, wenn Gott will, wirst du wieder geweckt Morgen frueh, wenn Gott will, wirst du wieder geweckt

Guten Abend, gute Nacht, Von Englein bewacht Die zeigen im Traum, dir Christkindleins Baum Schlaf nun selig und suess, Schau im Traum's Paradies Schlaf nun selig und suess, Schau im Traum's Paradies



Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Traditional, Written By: Jane Taylor, Copyright Unknown

Twinkle, twinkle, little star How I wonder what you are. Up above the world so high, Like a diamond in the sky. Twinkle, twinkle, little star, How I wonder what you are!

When the blazing sun is gone,
When there's nothing he shines upon,
Then you show your little light,
Twinkle, twinkle, through the night.
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are!

In the dark blue sky so deep
Through my curtains often peep
For you never close your eyes
Til the morning sun does rise
Twinkle, twinkle, little star
How I wonder what you are

Twinkle, twinkle, little star How I wonder what you are



Too-Ra-Loo-Ra-Loo-Ral

Irish Lullaby, Written By: J. R. Shannon in 1913, Copyright Unknown

Over in Killarney
Many years ago,
Me Mither [my mother] sang a song to me
In tones so sweet and low.
Just a simple little ditty,
In her good 'ould' [old] Irish way,
And I'd give the world if she could sing
That song to me this day.

"Too-ra-loo-ra-loo-ral, Too-ra-loo-ra-li, Too-ra-loo-ra-loo-ral, hush now, don't you cry! Too-ra-loo-ra-loo-ral, Too-ra-loo-ra-li, Too-ra-loo-ra-loo-ral, that's an Irish lullaby."

Oft in dreams I wander
To that cot again,
I feel her arms a-huggin' me
As when she held me then.
And I hear her voice a-hummin'
To me as in days of yore,
When she used to rock me fast asleep
Outside the cabin door.

Too-ra-loo-ra-loo-ral, Too-ra-loo-ra-li, Too-ra-loo-ra-loo-ral, hush, now don't you cry! Too-ra-loo-ra-loo-ral, Too-ra-loo-ra-li, Too-ra-loo-ra-loo-ral, that's an Irish lullaby.



Hush, Little Baby

Hush, little baby, don't say a word. Mama's gonna buy you a mockingbird And if that mockingbird won't sing, Mama's gonna buy you a diamond ring And if that diamond ring turns brass, Mama's gonna buy you a looking glass And if that looking glass gets broke, Mama's gonna buy you a billy goat And if that billy goat won't pull, Mama's gonna buy you a cart and bull And if that cart and bull turn over, Mama's going to buy you a dog named Rover. And if that dog named Rover won't bark, Mama's going to buy you a horse and cart. And if that horse and cart fall down, You'll still be the sweetest little baby in town.



Frère Jacques

(English: Are You Sleeping)
Written By: Unknown
Copyright Unknown

Are you sleeping, are you sleeping?
Brother John, Brother John?
Morning bells are ringing, Morning bells are ringing
Ding Ding Dong, Ding Dong.

[French]

Frère Jacques, Frère Jacques, Dormez vous? Dormez vous? Sonnez les matines, Sonnez les matines Ding Ding Dong, Ding Dong



Kum Ba Yah

Kum ba yah, my lord, Kum ba yah! Kum ba yah, my lord, Kum ba yah! Kum ba yah, my lord, Kum ba yah. O Lord, Kum ba yah

Someone's crying, Lord, Kum ba yah! Someone's crying, Lord, Kum ba yah! Someone's crying, Lord, Kum ba yah! O Lord, Kum ba yah

Someone's singing, Lord, Kum ba yah! Someone's singing, Lord, Kum ba yah! Someone's singing, Lord, Kum ba yah! O Lord, Kum ba yah

Someone's praying, Lord, Kum ba yah! Someone's praying, Lord, Kum ba yah! Someone's praying, Lord, Kum ba yah! O Lord, Kum ba yah



All the Pretty Little Horses

(Hush-a-bye)

American Folk Traditional: According to *Living Documents in American History from Earliest Colonial Times to the Civil War*, edited by John A Scott, (Trident Press 1963), the song was collected by Alan Lomax, who learned it from his mother, who took it from North Carolina to Texas after the Civil War.

Hush-a-bye, don't you cry, Go to sleepy little baby. When you wake, you'll have cake, And all the pretty little horses.

Black and bay, dapple and grey, Coach and six little horses, Hush-a-bye, don't you cry, Go to sleepy little baby. Hush-a-bye, don't you cry, Go to sleepy little baby, When you wake, you'll have cake, And all the pretty little horses.

Way down yonder, down in the meadow, There's a poor wee little lamby. The bees and the butterflies pickin' at its eyes, The poor wee thing cried for her mammy.

Hush-a-bye, don't you cry, Go to sleepy little baby. When you wake, you'll have cake, And all the pretty little horses.



Que Sera, Sera

from THE MAN WHO KNEW TOO MUCH words by Ray Evans, music by Jay Livingston

When I was just a little girl I asked my mother What will I be? Will I be pretty? Will I be rich? Here's what she said to me:

== Chorus ==

Que sera, sera.
Whatever will be, will be.
The future's not ours to see.
Que sera, sera.
What will be, will be.

When I grew up and fell in love
I asked my sweetheart
What lies ahead?
Will we have rainbows
Day after day?
Here's what my sweetheart said:
[repeat chorus]

Now I have children of my own.
They ask their mother,
What will I be?
Will I be handsome?
Will I be rich?
I tell them tenderly:
[repeat chorus]



Rock-A-Bye Baby (author unknown)

Rock-a-bye, baby
In the treetop
When the wind blows
The cradle will rock
When the bough breaks
The cradle will fall
And down will come baby
Cradle and all

Baby is drowsing
Cozy and fair
Mother sits near
In her rocking chair
Forward and back
The cradle she swings
And though baby sleeps
He hears what she sings

From the high rooftops
Down to the sea
No one's as dear
As baby to me
Wee little fingers
Eyes wide and bright
Now sound asleep
Until morning light



Oh, How Lovely is the Evening

Oh, how lovely is the evening
Is the evening
When the bells are sweetly ringing
Sweetly ringing
Ding, dong, ding
Ding, dong, ding



Raisins and Almonds

(Rozhinkes mit Mandlen)

Written By: Abraham Goldfaden (1840 - 1906) Copyright Unknown

Under baby's cradle in the night Stands a goat so soft and snowy white The goat will go to the market To bring you wonderful treats He'll bring you raisins and almonds Sleep, my little one, sleep.



All Through the Night

By Sir Harold Boulton

Sleep my child and peace attend thee, All through the night Guardian angels God will send thee, All through the night; Soft the drowsy hours are creeping, Hill and vale in slumber sleeping, I my loved ones' watch am keeping, All through the night.

Angels watching, e'er around thee,
All through the night
Midnight slumber close surround thee,
All through the night
Soft the drowsy hours are creeping,
Hill and vale in slumber sleeping
I my loved ones' watch am keeping,
All through the night.

While the moon her watch is keeping, All through the night While the weary world is sleeping, All through the night O'er thy spirit gently stealing, Visions of delight revealing Breathes a pure and holy feeling, All through the night.



Lavender's Blue

Lavender's blue, dilly dilly, lavender's green When you are King, dilly dilly, I shall be Queen Who told you so, dilly dilly, who told you so? 'Twas my own heart, dilly dilly, that told me so.

Call up your friends, dilly, set them to work Some to the plough, dilly dilly, some to the fork Some to the hay, dilly dilly, some to cut corn While you and I, dilly dilly, keep ourselves warm.

Lavender's blue, dilly dilly, lavender's green When you are King, dilly dilly, I shall be Queen Who told you so, dilly dilly, who told you so? 'Twas my own heart, dilly dilly, that told me so.



Basque Lullaby

Lullaby, twilight is spreading Silver wings over the sky; Fairy elves are softly treading, Folding buds as they pass by. Lullaby, whisper and sigh, Lullaby, lullaby.

Lullaby, deep in the clover
Drone the bees softly to rest;
Close white lids your dear eyes over,
Mother's arms shall be your rest.
Lullaby, whisper and sigh,
Lullaby, lullaby.



Au Clair de la Lune

Traditional
Words and Music By: Jean Baptiste Lully
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[French only]

Au clair de la lune, Mon ami, Pierrot, Prete-moi ta plume Pour ecrire un mot! Ma chandelle est morte, Je n'ai plus de feu; Ouvre-moi ta porte, Pour l'amour de Dieu.

Au clair de la lune, Pierrot repondit: "Je n'ai pas de plume, Je suis dans mon lit; Va chez la voisine, Je crois qu'elle y est; Car dans la cuisine, On bat le briquet."



Flow Gently, Sweet Afton

Flow gently, sweet Afton, amang thy green braes
Flow gently, I'll sing thee a song in thy praise
My Mary's asleep by thy murmuring stream
Flow gently, sweet Afton, disturb not her dream.

Though stock-dove whose echo resounds from the hill
Ye wild whistling blackbirds in yon thorny dell
Thou green created lapwing, thy screaming for bear
I charge you, disturb not my slumbering fair.

How lofty, sweet Afton, thy neighbouring hills
Far marked with the courses of clear winding rills
There daily I wander, as morn rises high
My flocks and my Mary's sweet cot in my eye.

How pleasant thy banks and green valleys below
Where wild in the woodlands the primroses blow
There oft, as mild evening creeps over the lea
The sweet scented birk shades my Mary and me.

Thy crystal stream, Afton, how lovely it glides
And winds by the cot where my Mary resides
How wanton thy waters her snowy feet lave
As gathering sweet flow'rets, she stems thy clear wave.
Flow gently, sweet Afton, amang thy green braes
Flow gently, sweet river, the theme of my lays
My Mary's asleep by thy murmuring stream
Flow gently, sweet Afton, disturb not her dream.



Suo-Gan

To my lullaby surrender
Warm and tender is my breast
Mother's arms with love caressing
Lay their blessing on your rest
Nothing shall tonight alarm you
None shall harm you, have no fear
Lie contented, calmly slumber
On your mother's breast, my dear

Here tonight I tightly hold you And enfold you while you sleep Why, I wonder, are you smiling Smiling in your slumber deep? Are the angels on you smiling And beguiling you with charm While you also smile, my blossom In my bosom soft and warm?

Have no fear now, leaves are knocking Gently knocking at our door Have no fear now, waves are beating Gently beating on the shore Sleep, my darling, none shall harm you Nor alarm you, never cry In my bosom sweetly smiling And beguiling those on high

[Welsh]

Hunan blentyn, ar fy mynwes Clyd a chynnes ydyw hon Breichiau mam sy'n dyn amdanat Cariad mam sy dan fy mron Ni chaiff dim amharu'th gyntun Ni wna undyn a thi gam Huna'n dawel, annwyl bientyn Huna'n fwyn ar fron dy fam

Huna'n dawel hana huna Huna'n fwyn y del ei lun Pam yr wyt yn awr yn gwenum

Alternate Lyrics

Sleep, my baby, on my bosom, Closely nestle, safe and warm; Mother wakeful, watches o'er you, Nothing threatens here your rest; Sleep, my baby, sleep and fear not, Sleep you sweetly on my breast.

Lulla, lulla sweetly slumber,
Mother's treasure, slumber deep;
Lulla, lulla now you're smiling,
Smiling, dear one through your sleep.
Say, are angels bending o'er you,
Smiling down from heaven above?
Is that heavenly smile your answer,
Love from dreamland answering love?

Hush my treasure, 'tis a leaflet
Beating, beating on the door;
Hush, my pretty, 'tis the ripple
Lapping, lapping on the shore.
Mother watches, nought can harm you,
Angel warders gather nigh;
Blessed angels bending o'er you,
Sing your lulla, lullaby.

Gwenu'n dirion yn dy hun Ai angylion fry sy'n gwenu Arnat yno'n gwenu'n lion Titha'u'n gwenu'n ol a huno Huno'n dawel ar fy mron

Paid ag ofni, dim ond deilen Gura, gura ar y ddor Paid aga ofni ton fach unig Sua, sua ar lan y mor Huna blentyn nid oes yma Ddim i roddi iti fraw Gwena'n dawel ar fy mynwes Ar yr engyl gwynion draw



Sleep, Baby, Sleep

Sleep, baby, sleep Your father tends the sheep Your mother shakes the dreamland tree And from it fall sweet dreams for thee Sleep, baby, sleep Sleep, baby, sleep

Sleep, baby, sleep Our cottage vale is deep The little lamb is on the green With snowy fleece so soft and clean Sleep, baby, sleep Sleep, baby, sleep

Sleep, baby, sleep,
Down where the woodbines creep
Be always like the lamb so mild
A kind, and sweet, and gentle child
Sleep, baby, sleep
Sleep, baby, sleep



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