

Now is the Month of Maying

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The musical score consists of four staves of music in common time, key signature of one sharp (F#). The vocal parts are labeled '1.' and '2.' above the staves.

Staff 1 (Top):

Now is the month of may - ing, When mer - ry lads are play - ing,
The Spring, clad all in glad - ness Doth laugh at Win-ter's sad - ness, fa la la la la la la la, fa la la la la la
Fie then! Why sit we mus - sing, Youth's sweet de-lights re - fu - sing?

Staff 2 (Second from Top):

Now is the month of may - ing, When mer - ry lads are play - ing,
The Spring, clad all in glad - ness Doth laugh at Win-ter's sad - ness, fa la la la la la la la, fa la la la la la
Fie then! Why sit we mus - sing, Youth's sweet de-lights re - fu - sing?

Staff 3 (Third from Top):

Now is the month of may - ing, When mer - ry lads are play - ing
The Spring, clad all in glad - ness Doth laugh and Win-ter's sad - ness, fa la la la la la la, fa la la la la
Fie then! Why sit we mus - sing, Youth's sweet de-lights re - fu - sing?

Staff 4 (Bottom):

Now is the month of may - ing, When mer - ry lads are play - ing,
The Spring, clad all in glad - ness Doth laugh at Win-ter's sad - ness, fa la la la la la la, fa la la la la
Fie then! why sit we mus - sing, Youth's sweet de-lights re - fu - sing?

Reprise (Measures 8-13):

1. Now la, The Fie la, Each with his bon - ny lass Up - on the gree - ny
la, The Fie la, And to the bag - pipe's sound The nymphs tread out their
Fie la, Now la, Say, dain - ty nymphs, and speak, Shall we play bar - ley
la, The Fie la, Each with his bon - ny lass Up - on the gree - ny
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13 grass. ground. break? Fa la la la la, fa la la la la la la, fa la la la la Each And la.
grass. ground. break? Fa la la la la, fa la la la la la la la, fa la la la la la Each And la.
grass, ground. break? Fa la la la la, fa la Each And la.
grass. ground. break? Fa la la la la la, fa la Each And la.