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$\text{♩} = 104 - 112$

The score consists of five systems of music. The first system is for Piano, with a tempo of 104-112. It features a 4/4 time signature with frequent changes to 9/8 and back to 4/4. Dynamics include *ff* and *sempre ped.*. The second system is for Pno. (Piano), with a 4/4 time signature and changes to 7/8 and 5/8. Dynamics include *ff*. The third system is for Pno., with a 7/8 time signature and changes to 4/4 and 5/8. Dynamics include *ff*. The fourth system is for Pno., with a 5/8 time signature and changes to 4/4, 7/8, and 5/8. Dynamics include *ff*. The fifth system is for Soprano (S.) and Piano (Pno.). The Soprano part has a tempo of 104-112 and a 4/4 time signature with changes to 7/8 and 5/8. It includes the instruction "several voices spoken freely: Boogoodoogada - mp" and "All voices ind. ad.lib." with a dynamic of *p*. The Piano part has a 4/4 time signature with changes to 7/8 and 5/8. Dynamics include *ff* and *d.m.*. Pedal markings are present throughout the piano parts.

Piano

Pno.

Pno.

Pno.

S.

Pno.

**A**

several voices spoken freely: Boogoodoogada - mp

All voices ind. ad.lib.

*p*

Mmm

*ff* *d.m.*

**B** Tempo

S. *p*  
Rain - bird, rain - bird, why do you weep?

A. *p*  
Rain - bird, rain - bird, why do you weep?

Pno.

S.  
Rain - bird, rain - bird, why do you cry?

A.  
Rain - bird, rain - bird, why do you cry?

Pno.

**C** with a hint of nasal sound

S. *mf*  
Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, —

A. *mf with a hint of nasal sound*  
Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, —

Pno.

**D** normal voice *mp*

S. *normal voice mp*  
Soon rain will fall bring-ing the life and

A. *normal voice mp*  
Soon rain will fall bring-ing the life and

Pno. *subito pp*

**E**

*with a hint of nasal sound*

S. breath to your song. Boo-goo-doo-ga-da,  
 A. breath to your song. Boo-goo-doo-ga-da,  
 Pno.

S. Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, Boo-goo-doo-ga-da,  
 A. Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, Boo-goo-doo-ga-da, Boo-goo-doo-ga-da,  
 Pno. *ff*

**F**  
 Pno. *mp*

Pno.

Pno.

Ped.

**G** *mf*

S.  
Rain - bird, rain - bird, there in the sky,

A.  
Rain - bird, rain - bird, there in the sky,

Pno.

S.  
Rain - bird, rain - bird, co-lours the sky.

A.  
Rain - bird, rain - bird, co-lours the sky. So

Pno.

**H** *f*

S.  
Rain - bird, rain - bird sing the co-lours of the rain - bow.

A.  
Rain - bird, Rain - bird, sing the col-lours of the rain - bow.

Pno.

S. So Rain - bird, rain - bird, sing the co-lours of the rain -

A. Rain - bird, Rain - bird, sing the co-lours of the rain -

Pno.

**I**

S. - - - bow. Rain - bird, rain - bird,

A. bow. Rain - bird, rain - bird,

Pno.

**J** *ff*

S. calls the morn-ing co - lours of the sky Boo-goo-doo-ga - ga - da,

A. calls the morn-ing co lours of the sky Boo - goo - doo -

Pno.

S. Boo-goo-doo-ga - ga - da, Boo-goo-doo-ga - ga - da,

A. da - ga, boo - goo - doo - da - - ga, Boo - goo - doo -

Pno.

**K**

S. Boo-goo-doo-ga - ga - da, \_\_\_\_\_ Boo-goo-doo-ga - ga - da, \_

A. da - ga, boo - goo - doo - da - ga. Boo-goo-doo-ga - ga - da, \_

Pno. *f*

S. Boo - goo - doo - ga - ga - da, \_\_\_\_\_ Boo - goo - doo - ga - ga - da, \_

A. Boo - goo - doo - ga - ga - da, \_\_\_\_\_ Boo - goo - doo - ga - ga - da, \_

Pno.

**L**

S. *Boo - goo - doo - ga - ga - da, Boo - goo - doo - ga - ga - da,*

A. *Boo - goo - doo - ga - ga - da, Boo - goo - doo - ga - ga - da,*

Pno. *dim.*

**M** (spoken) *f*

S. *Boo - goo - doo - ga - da (spoken) f gliss.\**

A. *Boo - goo - doo - ga - da (spoken) f gliss.\**

Pno. *ff*  
*Red.*

**N** *div. some whistle 8va, some sing*

S. *Boo-goo-doo-ga-da Boo-goo-doo-ga-ga-da Boo-goo-doo-ga-ga-da*

A. *Boo-goo-doo-ga-da Boo - goo - doo - ga - da Boo - goo - d00 -*

Pno. *ff*



**O** *mf* (let the pitch rise with the cresc.)

S. *mf* (let the pitch rise with the cresc.)  
Boo-goo-doo-ga-da Boo-goo-doo-ga-da Boo-goo-doo-ga-da Boo-goo-doo-ga-da

A. *mf*  
ga-da Boo-goo-doo-ga-da Boo-goo-doo-ga-da Boo-goo-doo-ga-da Boo-goo-doo-ga-da

Pno. *ff cresc.*

**P** random very high 'fluty' notes, sparse, ind.ad.lib (like 'surprised owls')

S. *subito ppp*  
Ooo

A. (spoken) *mf* *mp*  
Boo-goo-da Boo-goo-doo - goo-ga-da

Pno. *fff* *dim.*

Red. \_\_\_\_\_ Red. \_\_\_\_\_ Red. \_\_\_\_\_

S. *p* *pp* (until breath runs out)

A. *p* *pp* (until breath runs out)  
Boo-goo-doo - goo-ga-da Boo-goo-doo - goo-ga-da

Pno. *mp* *p*