

# chicken Little

A Fable for Wise Children

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### CAST

Foxy Loxy, baritone  
Chicken Little, higher voice  
Goosey Loosey, higher voice  
Warbler, higher voice  
Henny Penny, middle voice  
Turkey Lurkey, middle voice  
Wren, middle voice  
Ducky Lucky, lower voice  
Quail, lower voice

### Chorus of Birds

Gender and voice part of the solo roles may be assigned according to the voices available. Only Foxy must be a male role. The other parts may be male or female.

The Chorus of Birds may be composed only of the named cast members or may comprise a full chorus of avian singers. In the latter case, there may also be tenors and baritones included. They should sing the middle voice part down an octave.

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**Allegro spirito** ♩ = 132

6 **poco rit.**

**Tempo di Foxtrot** ♩ = 120

**Foxy** [11] **mf**

Here am I, a lone - ly fox, a clev - er beast who walks and talks. But

**Foxy** [14] **f**

I ain't in no sing - ing mood, 'cause all I got to eat for food is this here bowl, a

Foxy

17

bowl that's full \_\_\_\_ of blue ber-ries and cot-ton balls!

17

(Foxy puts the bowl on top of the large rectangular object behind him. It is covered by a large drab drop cloth which conceals it.)

Foxy

21

bellowing

This ain't no fox food at all!

21

f

mp cresc.

Foxy

25

I'll tell you what I'd rath-er eat:

25

ff

f

Foxy

Birds.

Birds! Birds!

Birds!

Birds!

*con pedale*

*senza pedale*

*simile*

Foxy

juic - y meals\_\_\_\_ in flight!

I wish that I\_\_\_\_ could lick 'em.

Birds!

Birds!

Birds!

Birds!

*mf*

*mp*

*mf*

35

Foxy

Birds!

Let's see if I can trick 'em.

Birds! Birds! Birds! Birds!

35

mp

mf

poco accel.

38

Birds!

Birds!

f

poco accel.

ff dim. poco a poco

42

Tempo volando ♩ = 132

p

5

**Birds**

47 *p legato e sotto voce* *poco cresc.*

We are birds and we a - bound up in the  
*p legato e sotto voce* *poco cresc.*

We are birds and we a - bound up in the

47 *poco cresc.*

**Birds**

52 *mp*

air and on the ground. From fields and moun - tains,  
*mp*

air and on the ground. From fields and moun - tains,

52 *mp*

*con pedale* *poco rit.*

**Birds**

57 woods and sea, we are one in har - mo -  
*div.*

woods and sea, we are one in har - mo -

57 *poco rit.*

6

*a tempo cresc.*

*mf* ————— *mp*

Birds ny. For ev - 'ry bird that takes to wing is giv - en

*cresc.* *unis.* *mf* ————— *mp*

ny. For ev - 'ry bird that takes to wing is giv - en

*a tempo*

*cresc.* *mf* ————— *mp*

*f smooth*

Foxy —————— What

Birds this great gift: we sing! \_\_\_\_\_

*f*

this great gift: we sing! \_\_\_\_\_

*mf cresc.*

*rough* *sub. p*

Foxy they call mu - sic, I call noise. In si - lent thought I

*sub. pp*

Foxy 7  
 76 *mf*  
 show my poise. I keep my mouth shut un - til I  
 76 *mf*  
 Foxy  
 79 — can trick some bird by what I say. They nev - er know till  
 79 *mp*  
 Foxy  
 82 it's too late.  
 82 *p cresc.* *mf dim.*  
 con pedale  
 86 *f* *ff*  
 Birds Sing to - geth - er! Sing to - geth - er!  
 86 *p* *f* *piu f*

**Tempo volando** ♩ = 132

**Henny**

91 *mf*  
Chick - ens sing and scratch for corn.

stacc.  
91 *mp*  
*senza pedale*

95  
Henny Cluck, cluck, cluck our fav - or - ite tune.

95  
*con pedale*  
*cresc.*

99 *mf*  
Ducky Ducks sing back - up on each track. Keep - ing

99 *mf* *p* *p* *p* *p*

104 *mp*  
Goosey Geese like me sing

Ducky *f*  
time with quack, quack, quack, quack,

104 *mf* *p* *p* *p*

Goosey

109

loud and long Fill-ing the air with

*simile*

114 *f strident*

Goosey honk, honk, honk.

Turkey

*mf galumphing*

114 Tur - keys are big birds and may - be we wob - ble But

*mf pesante*

*con pedale*

119 Turkey lis - ten to our glor - ious gob - ble, gob - ble, gob - ble!

Wren

123 *p timidly*

I am just a ti - ny wren. I

*p staccato*

Wren

127 sing a ti - ny chirp, chirp, chirp.

Wren

131 *mf*

I am just a ti - ny wren. I sing a

Goosey

*mf*

Geese like me sing loud and long

Henny

*mf*

Chick - ens sing and scratch for corn. Cluck, cluck,

Turkey

*mf*

Tur - keys are big birds and may - be we wob - ble But lis - ten to

Ducky

*mf*

Ducks sing back - up on each track. Keep-ing

131

*mf sonore*

*con pedale*

The piano accompaniment includes sustained bass notes and eighth-note chords, with dynamic markings *mf sonore* and *f*.

136

**Wren**

ti - ny chirp, chirp, chirp.

**Goosey**

— Fill-ing the air with honk, honk, honk. Honk!

**Henny**

cluck our fav - or - ite tune.

**Turkey**

our glor - ious gob - ble, gob - ble, gob - ble! Gob - ble!

**Ducky**

time with quack, quack, quack, quack, quack.

136

{

subito *p* cresc.

140

**Goosey**

Honk! Honk!

**Higher voices**

*f* molto legato

We are birds, from

**Birds**

**Middle voices**

*f* molto legato

We are birds, from

**Ducky**

Quack!

**Lower voices**

*f* molto legato

We are birds, from

140

{

*f* sempre legato

*con pedale*

144

south and north and east and west we  
Birds south and north and east and west we  
south and north and east and west we

144

148

sally forth From hill and hollow,  
Birds sally forth From hill and hollow,  
sally forth From hill and hollow,

148

152

*poco rit.*

field and glen our flight con - tin - ues with - out

Birds

mf

field and glen our flight con - tin - ues with - out

mf

field and glen our flight con - tin - ues with - out

mf

152

*poco rit.*

field and glen our flight con - tin - ues with - out

mf

152

*poco rit.*

field and glen our flight con - tin - ues with - out

mf

157

*a tempo*    *cresc.*

*f*

*poco rit. e dim.*

end. As you can see with just one glance \_\_\_\_\_

Birds

*cresc.*

*f*

end. As you can see with just one glance \_\_\_\_\_

*cresc.*

*f*

end. As you can see with just one glance \_\_\_\_\_

*a tempo*

*cresc.*

*f*

*poco rit. e dim.*

*a tempo*  
cresc. poco a poco

exuberantly

**f**

The birds dance together.

Birds

ev - 'ry bird on earth can dance!

cresc. poco a poco exuberantly

**f**

ev - 'ry bird on earth can dance!

cresc. poco a poco exuberantly

**f**

ev - 'ry bird on earth can dance!

*a tempo*

cresc. poco a poco

**f**

167

Birds

subito *mp* cresc. poco a poco

167

172

176

Foxy

Danc-ing is a waste of time. I don't dance with mu - sic, I

181

181

Foxy

dance with my mind! I'm quick and I'm clev - er, I'm

185

185

Foxy

sneak - y, I'm smart! Look! I will trick them right in-to my heart, or may - be my tum-my,

188

188

ff

mf

mp

f

piu f

piu f

**Foxy**

[192] *mf* (addresses the birds)  
be - cause they're so yum - my.

[192] *mp* dim.  
3/4 3/4 a.

**Foxy waltz**  $\bullet = 100$   
*sotto voce dolce*

Birds! Birds! What beau - ti - ful things! How

[196] *p*

**Foxy**

love - ly you dance, how sweet - ly you sing! \_\_\_\_\_

**Birds** *mf excitedly*

It's

The musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is for 'Foxy' (bass clef), the middle for 'Birds' (treble clef), and the bottom for 'Foxy' (bass clef). Measure 192 shows 'Foxy' singing 'be - cause they're so yum - my.' with dynamic markings *mf* and (addresses the birds). The middle staff has a dynamic *mp* and a diminuendo 'dim.' followed by a 3/4 measure. Measure 196 starts a 'Foxy waltz' section with tempo  $\bullet = 100$  and dynamic *sotto voce dolce*. The lyrics 'Birds! Birds! What beau - ti - ful things! How' are sung. The middle staff has a dynamic *p*. Measure 200 continues the waltz with lyrics 'love - ly you dance, how sweet - ly you sing!'. The 'Birds' staff begins at measure 200 with dynamic *mf excitedly*, singing 'It's'.

**204** **Slightly faster** ♩ = 108

**Foxy**

**Birds**

*poco accel.* 17

**204** **p**

**Foxy**

**Birds**

*poco accel.*

**209** **Slightly faster again** ♩ = 116

**Foxy**

**Birds**

**213** **cresc. poco a poco**

**Foxy**

**Birds**

**213** **cresc. poco a poco**

**Foxy**

**Birds**

**217** **cresc.**

**Foxy**

**Birds**

**217** **mf**

**Foxy**

**Birds**

**sub. p**

**Foxy**

221

each bird dances dif - fer - ent - ly which bird is danc - ing wrong? \_\_\_\_\_

rit.

molto cresc. allarg.

*a tempo* **ff**

221

rit.

allarg.

*a tempo*

molto cresc.

**f**

226

*ff*

*f*

Wrong? \_\_\_\_\_ Wrong? \_\_\_\_\_

Birds

*ff*

*f*

Wrong? \_\_\_\_\_ Wrong? \_\_\_\_\_

*ff*

*f*

Wrong? \_\_\_\_\_ Wrong? \_\_\_\_\_

226

*ff dim.*

*mf*

Wrong? \_\_\_\_\_

Wrong? \_\_\_\_\_

Wrong? \_\_\_\_\_

Wrong? \_\_\_\_\_

ff

f

ff

f

ff

f

ff dim.

mf

**Tempo di Foxtrot** ♩ = 128

**Foxy**

230 *mp*

Let's try here to be log - ic - al:

230 *mf*

If

234 *mp*

ev - 'ry - one is dif - fer - ent, then no one can be right.

234 *mp*

238 *mf*

If one is right, then he must fight

238 *mf marcato*

*mp*

242 *mp*

to make the oth - ers right like you. If you be -

242 *mf*

*mp cresc. poco a poco*

Foxy

lieve in what you do you must make sure that oth - ers act like

Henny

How can a dance be right or wrong?

Foxy

you!

Goosey

We move how - ev - er we feel the song.

Ducky

Why should a dance be

The musical score consists of five staves, each representing a character's part. The characters are Foxy (two staves), Henny, Foxy (second staff), Goosey, and Ducky (two staves). The music is in common time with a key signature of one sharp. The score includes lyrics for each character. Dynamics such as *grandioso*, *ff*, *mf*, and *sub. mp* are used. Performance instructions like *cresc.* and *con pedale* are also present. Measure numbers 246, 250, and 254 are marked at various points in the score.

257

*p simply, slightly detached*

Wren

Ducky

Foxy

I am on - ly a

log - ic - al?

*f (to the audience)*

Birds have got such lit - tle brains!

261

*mp*

Wren

ti - ny wren, but from what I can see ev - 'ry dif - f'rent

*simile*

*p*

265

*molto allarg.*

*cresc.*

Wren

dance be - comes part of the har - mo - ny all wov - en in a

*molto allarg.*

*cresc.*

## La danza di uccelli

♩ = 48

*f*

Wren

269 seam - less web.

poco rit.

269

mf

dim.

poco rit.

273 unis. *mp* *a tempo*

Birds

273 Ev - 'ry dif - frent dance be - comes part of the *div.*

*a tempo*

278

har - mo - ny, all wov - en

Birds

har - mo - ny, all wov - en

har - mo - ny, all wov - en

har - mo - ny, all wov - en

278

283

Birds

— in a seam - less web.

— in a seam - less web.

— in a seam - less web, a seam - less web.

— in a seam - less web, a seam - less web.

283

**Wily tempo** ♩ = 138  
(to the audience)

Foxy

288

Webs! Bah! The on - ly webs for which I give a rap are

mf

291

Fox

291

those de-signed sole - ly to en - trap! For ex - am - ple I have a sur-prize right

(indicating the covered box)

295

Foxy

here that will teach those birds whom they should fear.

If on - ly these bird-brains

*(Foxy has a brainstorm)*

weren't so thick.

Chil - dren are much eas - i - er

*(to Chicken Little)*

to trick!

Tell me a-bout your dance,

dim. poco a poco

lit - tle chick.

**Tempo di pulcino** ♩ = 132

309

*mp*

*p*

*senza pedale*

313 *mp with some self-importance*

*Ch. L.*

*with some panache*

I am Chick-en Lit-tle and be-cause I am so small, \_\_\_\_\_ I

313

317

*simple again, square*

*Ch. L.*

need to have a dance so wild they not - ice me at all. \_\_\_\_\_

317

*con pedale*

*senza pedale*

321

*Ch. L.*

So when I'm bored or both - ered, or

321

Ch. L.

324

when I'm fell - ing crank - y, like when I want some-thing to eat or

324

cresc. poco a poco

Ch. L.

if I lost my hank - y, I throw my - self in - to a dance from

327

f mp cresc. poco a poco

330

which grown ups can't run. It is my ver - y fav - rite dance. I

330

sub. mp cresc.

332

*(Chicken Little does her Tantrum dance)*

call it "A Tan-trum".

332

mf f ff

con pedale

Ch. L. 336 - - - - - **f** *molto marcato*  
 I WANT

Ch. L. 336 { - - - - - *mp cresc.*  
*senza pedale*

Ch. L. 339 **f**  
 FOOD! \_\_\_\_\_ I want

Henny 339 - - - - - *mp calmly*  
 As soon as we get home, dear.

Ch. L. 342 **p** **mf**  
*sfpz (She throws herself on the ground, kicking her feet)* *cresc.*  
 food \_\_\_\_\_ now! \_\_\_\_\_ Now,

Ch. L. 342 { - - - - - *f*  
*con pedale*

Ch. L.

345 > *ff* Ω

now, now, now!!!

345 *cresc.* *ff*

(The birds try to ignore Chicken Little. Foxy Loxy finally can't stand it anymore. He takes the blueberries and cotton balls from his bowl and starts tossing them at Chicken Little.)

348 *Sva* - - - (blueberry) (cotton ball) (blueberry) (cotton ball)

*pp* *p*

Ch. L.

354 (blueberry) (cotton ball) (Foxy tosses all the blueberries and cotton balls at Chicken Little) I just got

*mp* *mf* *ff* *p*

Ch. L.

358 (She picks up a blueberry) *mp*

hit! Where did this come from?

*mf* *p*

**362 Andante espressivo** ♩ = 72 *mf*

Ch. L. (Treble clef) 6/8

Foxy (Bass clef) 6/8 *mp*

Poor lit - tle chick, it looks like it fell from \_\_\_\_\_ a - bove!

**362**

Ch. L. (Treble clef) 6/8 *mp*

Foxy (Bass clef) 6/8 *f*

**366**

Ch. L. (Treble clef) 6/8

Foxy (Bass clef) 6/8 *p*

is it? (to himself)

What is it? Ah

**366**

Ch. L. (Treble clef) 6/8 *f*

Foxy (Bass clef) 6/8

**370**

Foxy (Bass clef) 6/8 >

ha! It is the key! I'll make these bird - ies fol - low me. \_\_\_\_\_

**370**

Foxy (Bass clef) 6/8 *mf* dim.

374

(approaches Chicken Little)

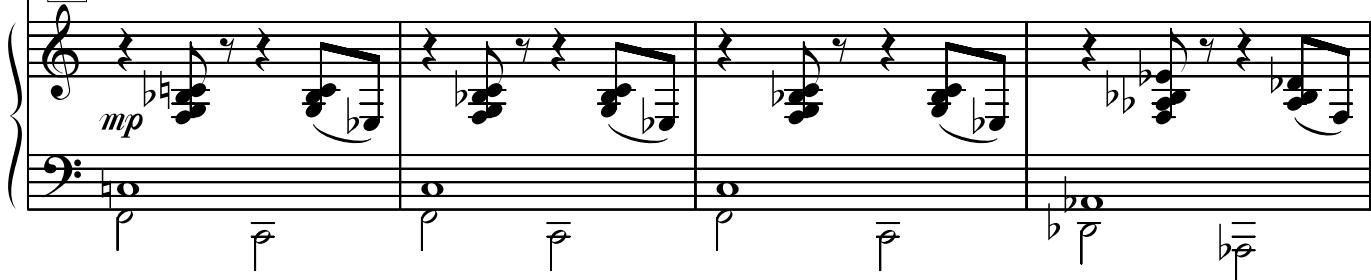
Foxy

*unctions*

mp



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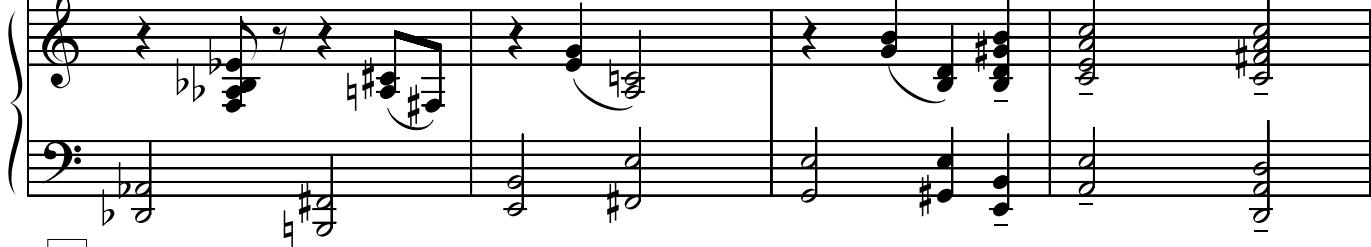


Foxy

mf

What col-or is the sky?

378



Ch. L.

p

p

Blue.

Blue,

too.

Foxy

mf

And what col-or is this?

382



Foxy

387 f

Smart lit-tle chick! The sky is blue and this is blue.

mf



*poco rit.*

**Ch. L.** 391 *a tempo* **Foxy** *p* (*slowly, not really getting it at all*)  
 This... is.... the....

There-fore what can you con-clude?  
*poco rit.*

**Ch. L.** 391 *a tempo* **Foxy** *pp*

**Ch. L.** 396 *questioningly* **Foxy** *mp*  
 sky? — Yes, this

The sky!

**Ch. L.** 396 *f* **Foxy** *mp*

**Ch. L.** 400 *mp* **Foxy** *mp*  
 is the sky! — Or a piece of the sky. So

**Ch. L.** 400 *mf* **Foxy** *mp*

Foxy

404

you just got hit by.....

404

Foxy's vocal line consists of eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note patterns. The piano accompaniment features sustained chords in the treble and bass staves.

Ch. L.

409 *p* (repeating what he said, stalling for time because she doesn't know the answer) *poco rit.*

So..... I just got hit.... *poco rit.*

409

Ch. L.'s vocal line includes sustained notes and eighth-note pairs. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with sustained chords.

Ch. L.

414 *a tempo*

(coaxing her)

by.... *mp* a...

Foxy

414 *a tempo*

by... a piece of *pp*

414 *a tempo*

*mp* *pp*

Ch. L. begins with a sustained note followed by eighth-note pairs. Foxy's vocal line includes sustained notes and eighth-note pairs, with dynamic markings *mp* and *pp*.

(still not getting it) ***pp*** (in a tiny voice)

Ch. L. 420 piece of.... the??? the  
Foxy ***p*** (Foxy points to sky.)  
the...  
420

Ch. L. 425 sky! ***f*** The sky!

Foxy Bright Chick-en Lit - tle!  
425 ***mf***

Ch. L. 429 I just got hit by a piece of the sky!

Foxy Smart lit-tle chick! Right! Right  
429 ***p*** ***mf***

This musical score page contains four staves of music for Chorus Line (Ch. L.) and Foxy. The staves are arranged vertically. The first two staves begin at measure 420. Ch. L. sings 'piece of....' followed by a rest, then 'the??? the'. Foxy sings 'the...' followed by a rest. The third staff begins at measure 425. Ch. L. sings 'sky!' followed by a rest. Foxy sings 'The sky!' followed by a rest. The fourth staff begins at measure 429. Ch. L. sings 'I just got hit by a piece of the sky!' followed by a rest. Foxy sings 'Smart lit-tle chick!' followed by a rest. Various dynamics are indicated throughout, including ***pp***, ***p***, ***f***, ***mf***, and ***p***. The lyrics are written below the notes, and some are accompanied by descriptive text or gestures in parentheses.

Foxy

433 *sub. p*

out of the blue! Let's fol-low this through: What col-or is a cloud? \_\_\_\_\_

433 *p* *mf*

Ch. L.

437 *mp* (*faster on the uptake this time*)

White! \_\_\_\_\_ Quite white!

Foxy

437 *p* *mf* *p* *mf*

And what col-or is this? A cloud is white and

441 *rit.*

this is white. There - fore what can you con - clude?

441 *rit.* *ten.*

*ten.*

The musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is for 'Foxy' in bass clef, with lyrics 'out of the blue! Let's fol-low this through: What col-or is a cloud? \_\_\_\_\_'. The middle staff is for 'Ch. L.' in treble clef, with lyrics 'White! \_\_\_\_\_ Quite white!'. The bottom staff is for 'Foxy' in bass clef, with lyrics 'And what col-or is this? A cloud is white and'. The score includes various dynamics like *sub. p*, *p*, *mf*, *rit.*, and *ten.*. Measure numbers 433, 437, and 441 are indicated at the beginning of each section. The piano accompaniment is shown with a brace under the middle and bottom staves.

**Andante espressivo**

**Ch. L.** 445 *p timidly*      *mp*      *poco a poco accel.*  
*gaining confidence*

This is a cloud?      A cloud that must have tum-bled from the sky! \_\_\_\_\_

**Foxy**      Yes! This is a cloud!

*poco a poco accel.*

From the

**Ch. L.** 449      *mf*      *f*

Right out of the blue! The cloud fell down!

**Foxy**      sky that's fall-ing down.

*dim.*

**Quasi recitative**

**Ch. L.** 453 *rit.*      *mp somewhat alarmed*

The cloud fell down! Right out of the sky that is fall - ing down!

**Foxy**      *mp*

**Allegro agitato** ♩ = 126

**Foxy**

457 *f* > >

Bright Chick! Bright Chick! Quick! No time to lose! Warn the oth - ers! Tell them the

457 *mf*

461 *ff* > >

Foxy

sky is fall - ing down. \_\_\_\_\_ The sky is fall - ing

461 *sub. mp* *f*

(*Chicken Little throws a tantrum*)

465 *ff con brio*

Henny

468 *f* > >

Chick - en Lit - tle, what is wrong?

468 *mf*

Ch. L. 471 - - - - - *ff*  
 The sky is fall - ing

471 { cresc.  
 f

Ch. L. 474 down! \_\_\_\_\_ The sky is fall - ing down! \_\_\_\_\_

474 {

Ch. L. 477 *mf* Moth - er! Moth - er look a - round! There's bits of sky here

477 { *mp*

Ch. L. 480 *f* on the ground! The sky is

480 { *f*

Ch. L. 483 *ff* fall - ing down!

Henny 486 *f* cresc. The sky is fall - ing

Henny 489 *ff* down?

Foxy 489 Yes! The sky is fall - ing

The musical score consists of five staves. The first staff is for Ch. L., starting at measure 483 with a treble clef, a key signature of four sharps, and a tempo of quarter note = 80. The lyrics "fall - ing down!" are written below the staff. The second staff is for the piano, showing a bass line and a treble line with eighth-note chords. Measure 483 ends with a dynamic of *ff*. The third staff is for Ch. L., continuing from measure 483. The fourth staff is for Henny, starting at measure 486 with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a tempo of quarter note = 80. The lyrics "The sky is fall - ing" are written below the staff. The fifth staff is for the piano, showing a bass line and a treble line with eighth-note chords. Measure 486 ends with a dynamic of *f* and a crescendo line. The sixth staff is for Henny, starting at measure 489 with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a tempo of quarter note = 80. The lyrics "down?" are written below the staff. The seventh staff is for Foxy, starting at measure 489 with a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a tempo of quarter note = 80. The lyrics "Yes! The sky is fall - ing" are written below the staff. The piano accompaniment continues with eighth-note chords in both treble and bass staves.

493

*f* (noticing the commotion)

39

Turkey

*triumphantly, but not a pretty sound*

What's that you

Foxy



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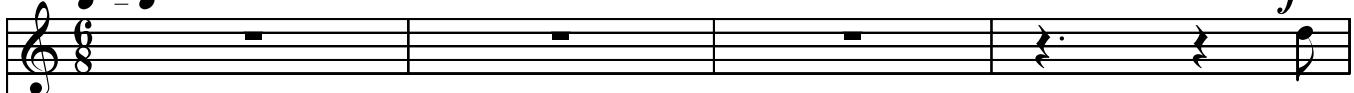
cresc.



497

*f*

Ch. L.



Henny

*f*

The

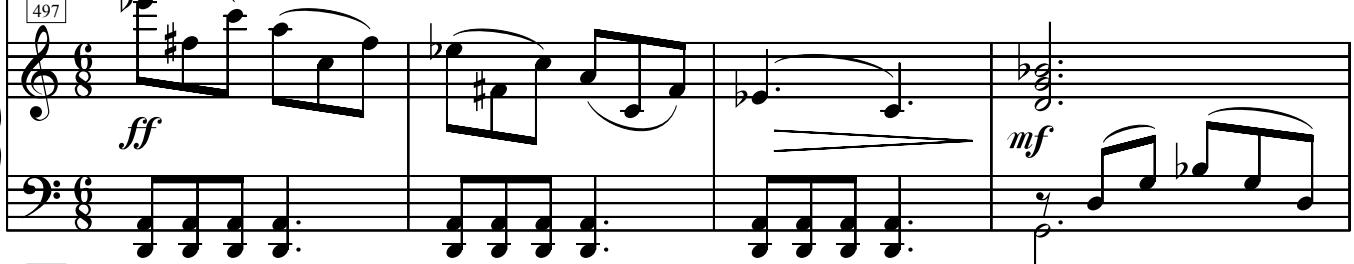
The clouds are com-ing a -

Turkey



say?

497

*mf*

501

Ch. L.



clouds are com-ing a - part! \_\_\_\_\_ The clouds are com-ing a - part! \_\_\_\_\_

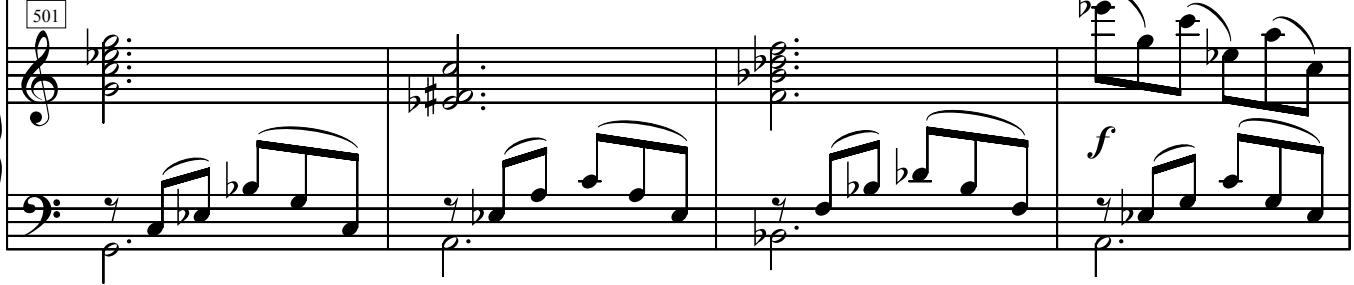
Henny



part! \_\_\_\_\_

The clouds are com-ing a - part! \_\_\_\_\_

501

*f*

505

*mf*

Ch. L.

The end of the world's begun to start. I feel a trembling

Henny

*mf*

The end of the world's begun to start. I feel a trembling

*mf*

505

Ch. L.

Henny

Turkey

509

Ch. L.

in my heart. The clouds are com - ing a -

Henny

*f*

in my heart. The clouds are com - ing a - part! \_\_\_\_\_

Turkey

The

509

Ch. L.

Henny

Turkey

513

Ch. L.

Henny

Turkey

513

sub. *p* *molto cresc.*

517 *f*

Goosey

Driving  $\bullet = 132$

Ducky

517 *f*

*ff*

521

Ch. L. *mf* The world is going to piec - es! The world is going to piec - es!

Henny *mf* The world is going to piec - es! The world is going to piec - es!

Turkey *mf* The world is going to piec - es! The world is going to piec - es!

521

*mp cresc. poco a poco*

*f*

524 *mf*

Ch. L. This is where the old world ends!

Henny *mf* Grab your fam - 'ly and your friends!

524 *mf*

526

Ch. L. *f cresc.* *ff*  
This is where the old world ceas - es.

Henny *f cresc.* *ff*  
This is where the old world ceas - es.

Turkey *mf* *f cresc.* *ff*  
Hide your neph - ews and your niec - es! This is where the old world ceas - es.

526

Ch. L. *ff*

Goosey *mf cresc. poco a poco* *f*  
The world is going to piec - es? Yes, the world is going to piec - es!

Henny *f*  
Yes, the world is going to piec - es!

Turkey *f*  
Yes, the world is going to piec - es!

Ducky *mf cresc. poco a poco* *f*  
The world is going to piec - es? Yes, the world is going to piec - es!

529

{ *mf cresc. poco a poco* *ff*

532

Birds

The sky is fall - ing down! \_\_\_\_\_ The

The sky is fall - ing down! \_\_\_\_\_ The

The sky is fall - ing down! \_\_\_\_\_ The

532

f

mf

535

sky is fall - ing down! \_\_\_\_\_ Ev - 'ry - bod - y look a - round. There's

Birds

sky is fall - ing down! \_\_\_\_\_ Ev - 'ry - bod - y look a - round. There's

sky is fall - ing down! \_\_\_\_\_ Ev - 'ry - bod - y look a - round. There's

535

mf

p

539

bits of sky here on the ground. *Keep to - geth - er!* Form a crowd!

bits of sky here on the ground. *Keep to - geth - er!* Form a crowd!

bits of sky here on the ground. *Keep to - geth - er!* Form a crowd!

**Birds**

543

*mp cresc. poco a poco*

A - void these balls of fall - en cloud.

*mp cresc. poco a poco*

A - void these balls of fall - en cloud.

*mp cresc. poco a poco*

A - void these balls of fall - en cloud.

**Birds**

*ff*

*mp cresc. poco a poco*

*f cresc.*

547

*ff*

The sky is fall - ing down! Oh! The

Birds

*with abandon*

*ff*

The sky is fall - ing down! Oh! The

*with abandon*

*ff*

The sky is fall - ing down! Oh! The

*with abandon*

547.

*ff*

Bassoon part:

*ff*

Bassoon part:

551

sky is fall - ing down! \_\_\_\_\_

Birds

sky is fall - ing down! \_\_\_\_\_

sky is fall - ing down! \_\_\_\_\_

551

Bassoon part:

**Foxy**

[555] **Allegretto grazioso** ♩ = 112 *mp*

Dear birds! My friends! It's what I feared.

[559] **Quasi recitative**

You must be aw - ful - ly, aw - ful - ly scared. Look at the sky! No! No! Don't peek!

[563] **A tempo**

You might get hit! It's sprung a leak! Where can you run to? Who can you trust? You

*con pedale*

[567]

must band to - geth - er. You must! \_\_\_\_\_ You must! There's dan - ger ev - 'ry -

## Tempo di Foxtrot = 120

571 *poco accel.* *mf*

Foxy where! You need a strong, a wise, a fear - less lead - er!

571 *poco accel.* *mp*

Birds Where is our lead - er? *mf*

Where is our lead - er? Who will show us poor birds what

*f*

Where is our lead - er?

575 *mf* *simile*

Birds Who will show us what we should do?

we should do?

*mf*

Who will show us poor birds what we should do?

579

Henny *mf*

Tur - key, chick - en, duck and goose. *mp* We are help - less. We can't

Goosey *p*

This is the end of his - to - ry!

Henny choose.

Ducky *p* We must find a place to

Turkey *mp* *p*

We must wad - dle far a - way! \_\_\_\_\_ We must

Ducky flee! \_\_\_\_\_

Turkey

dim. e rit.

wad - dle far a - way! \_\_\_\_\_

dim. e rit.

Quasi recitative *pp*

Allegro agitato  $\bullet = 88$

We should think this through.

*p* molto cresc.

*mf* cresc.

Hey! \_\_\_\_\_ No time to think,

*mf* cresc.

Hey! \_\_\_\_\_ No time to think,

*div. mf* cresc. Hey! *unis. f*

Hey! \_\_\_\_\_ No time to think,

*ff*

*sub. mf*

610

Birds

we got to flee! But where do we go?

we got to flee!

Where do we go?

div.

we got to flee!

Where do we go?

610

Foxy

I know! I

Where do we go?

614

Soothing  $\text{d} = 138$

*mf*

*f dim.*

*mf*

Birds

618 *molto legato*

Foxy know! \_\_\_\_\_ Come foll - ow me! \_\_\_\_\_

618

623 **Espressivo**

Foxy

Birds *unis. p*  
Please be our lead - er! Help us please!

623

628 **Slyly**  $\bullet = 120$

Foxy I have al - ways

628 *mp*

Foxy loved you lit - tle birds. \_\_\_\_\_ I nev - er want to see you

633

ten.

638

Foxy

hurt. And so I built a sanctu -

(He takes the drop cloth away to reveal a cage.) *poco rit.*

ar - y. Here! I *poco rit.*

*a tempo*

built a stur - dy house of steel with a

*a tempo*

*poco marcato*

*cresc. poco a poco*

door that shuts for real.

*cresc. poco a poco*

Foxy

656 *f* I won't let the fall-ing sky both - er you a - gain! \_\_\_\_\_ Quick!

661 (He opens the cage door.) *mf* Come in - side! \_\_\_\_\_ Sanc - tu - ar - y! Sanc - tu -

667 ar - y! Hur - ry! Hur - ry! Sanc - tu - ar - ry!

673 **Drooling** ♩ = 138 *mp* (to the audience)

Soon I'll snack on

677

Foxy

leg of tur - key, soup of duck and chick - en jerk - y.

My

677

681

Foxy

foll - ow - ers will all look great with grav - y on a sil - ver plate.

681

685

**Tempo of deception**  $\text{♩} = 120$

$f$

689

*mf*

Birds

Sanc - tu - ar - y!

689

*mf*

Sanc - tu - ar - y!

693

Birds

Run in - side now! Hur - ry! Hur - ry!

Run in - side now! Hur - ry! Hur - ry!

Run in - side now! Hur - ry! Hur - ry!

693

Run in - side now! Hur - ry! Hur - ry!

Run in - side now! Hur - ry! Hur - ry!

Run in - side now! Hur - ry! Hur - ry!

697 *f*

Birds

Sanc - tu - ar - y!

*simile*

701

Birds

Run in - side now!

Hur - ry!

Hur - ry!

Run in - side now!

Hur - ry!

Hur - ry!

*ff*

701

*ff*

*ff*

*ff*

*ff*

*ff*

*ff*

*ff*

**Allegro agitato** ♩ = 128

**Wren**

705 **ff** > Wait!! Wait!!

**Birds**

What? What? What? What?

705 **f** > ff > >

**Wren**

I am just a lit - tle wren. I don't pre-tend to know. But there are man - y of us

712 here. And we each know so man - y dif - frent things. If

Wren

715

715

718

Wren

see \_\_\_\_\_ what we can not sep - 'rate - ly.

718

mp poco rit.

poco rit.

Wren

721

**Tempo di Foxtrot**  $\bullet = 120$

mf Quasi recitative ten.

Foxy

721

mf

But may-be we see some-thing too. This

Don't you wor-ry, lit-tle birds. I can see for all of you.

724

Wren

thing you say looks like a cloud... has an - y - one ev - er seen an - y - thing like this?

724

727 *espressivo*

**Wren** Don't be a - fraid!

**Quail** *pp slowly*

I think I have.

727 *pp*

731 **Allegro agitato**  $\bullet = 128$

**Birds** Where? Where?

What? What?

Who? Who?

What? What?

731 *f*

**Quasi recitative**

734 *mf*

**Wren** Speak up, Lit - tle Quail. Tell us what you know.

734 *mp*

**Con moto** ♩ = 152

**Quail**

737 *I*   *wi*   *n* - *ter*   *in*   *the*   *su* - *ny*

742 *South* \_\_\_\_\_ *where* *fi*   *elds* *of* *cot* - *ton* *stretch* *for* *miles.* \_\_\_\_\_

747 *And* *if* *I* *had* *to* *make* *the* *call,* \_\_\_\_\_

747 *mf*

751 *I'd* *say* *this* *was* *a* *cot* - *ton* *ball.* \_\_\_\_\_

751 *mf* *f*

**Quail**

755      *allarg.*      **Allegro**  $\text{d} = 84$

**Birds**

**Foxy**

758      *mf*

**Birds**

758      *mf*

762

Wren

Foxy

I my - self, of  
the sky is fall - ing ev - 'ry-where.

762

f > mf

8vb

767

espressivo rit. e dim.

course, don't know. But may - be some - one else could show us what this piece of rit. e dim.

767

Wren

Warbler

### Quasi recitative

771

Warbler

That would be me.

ten.

Wren

blue might be. Speak up, lit - tle War - bler,

771

ten. pp mp gently

ten. pp mp sonore

*p* Espressivo con moto  $\text{d} = 84$  ten.

Warbler

Wren

Warbler

Warbler

Warbler

Warbler

$\text{784}$  *mf*  $\text{d} = 132$

blue - ber - ry.

Birds

*Quietly*  $\text{d} = 120$

788

Turkey

Ducky

Birds

788

Not a cloud? \_\_\_\_\_ *mp*

Not the piece of the sky? This is - n't a piece of the sky?

sky? \_\_\_\_\_ This is - n't a piece of the sky? \_\_\_\_\_

sky? \_\_\_\_\_ This is - n't a piece of the sky? \_\_\_\_\_

792

Henny

Ducky

792

*mp*

Why did you not speak soon-er? \_\_\_\_\_ Why? Why? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

sky?

**Semplice** ♩ = 100

796

**Warbler**

Ev - 'ry - bod - y seemed so sure      this was a cloud.      Ev - 'ry - bod - y seemed so sure

Ev - 'ry - bod - y seemed so sure      this was a cloud.      Ev - 'ry - bod - y seemed so

799

**Warbler**

this was the sky. I did - n't want to be the on - ly one \_\_\_\_\_ to de -

sure this was the sky. I did - n't want to be the on - ly one \_\_\_\_\_

799

802

**Warbler**

poco rit.

ny what ev - 'ry - bod - y said. \_\_\_\_\_

**Quail**

p

to de - ny what ev - 'ry - bod - y said. It's hard to find your

802

poco rit.

Quail

806

voice \_\_\_\_\_ when oth - ers are so loud. \_\_\_\_\_

806

Warbler

811

mp

It's hard to take a stand \_\_\_\_\_ that's dif - frent from the crowd. \_\_\_\_\_

811

mp

Warbler

817

Wren

mp

If each of us speaks and ev - 'ry-bod - y lis - tens,

817

p

Wren

822 *mf*

we will do much bet - ter at - learn - ing our less - ons.

822 *mf*

allarg.

Birds

827 **With amazement**  $\text{♩} = 132$

*mf*

The

*mp* *cresc. poco a poco*

The sky is not fall - ing at all!

*mp* *cresc. poco a poco*

The sky is not fall - ing at all! *mf* The

*mf*

The sky is not fall - ing at

827

*mp* *cresc. poco a poco*

832

sky is not fall - ing at all! \_\_\_\_\_ It's

*f*

Birds The sky is not fall - ing at all! \_\_\_\_\_ It's

*ff*

sky is not fall - ing at all! \_\_\_\_\_ It's

*f*

all! \_\_\_\_\_ The sky is not fall - ing at

832

blue ber - ries and cot - ton balls! \_\_\_\_\_ Cot - ton balls!

*ff*

blue ber - ries and cot - ton balls! \_\_\_\_\_ Cot - ton balls!

*ff*

all! \_\_\_\_\_ It's blue ber - ries and cot - ton balls!

836

*ff*

all! \_\_\_\_\_ It's blue ber - ries and cot - ton balls!

*ff*

The sky is not fall - ing at all! \_\_\_\_\_ It's

*ff*

## **Brutale** ♩ = 120

Foxy

840

Wait!

Please! \_\_\_\_\_

Stop! \_\_\_\_\_

Foxy

Come check this out!

Why do you halt?

Why do you

843

### *simile*

Foxy

doubt?

Trust me \_\_\_\_\_

and I will show

all of you a

840

*dim. poco a poco*

Foxy

place

safe for all of you.

850

place

## Andante maestoso ♩ = 88

Wren

854

*p simply*

We are safe right here, right on this

854

*sempre legato**pp*

Wren

858

*poco cresc.**mp*

earth. A - mong the sky, the clouds, the earth.

858

*poco cresc.**p*

Wren

861

*mf*

Come tell him, birds. Look at what you see, not what you

861

*mp**poco rit.**a tempo**moving ahead*

Wren

864

fear.

Tell

Fox - y what you find right here.

864

*poco rit.**a tempo**moving ahead**p**cresc.*

**Piu mosso** ♩ = 96*mf*

Birds The sky a - bove us gives us light. The gen - tle

*mf*

The sky a - bove us gives us light. The gen - tle

*mf*

Birds clouds come give us rain. \_\_\_\_\_ The good earth holds us and

*mp**cresc.**mf*

clouds come give us rain. \_\_\_\_\_ The

*dim.**mp* *cresc.*

Birds brings forth \_\_\_\_\_ grass and ber - ries,

*mf* *cresc.**cresc.**f**mf* *cresc.*

good earth holds us and brings forth \_\_\_\_\_ grass and ber - ries,

873

*mp* *cresc. poco a poco**f dim.*

876

Birds fruit and grain. The whole earth is our sanc - tu - ar - y.

fruit and grain. The

876

Birds whole earth is our sanc - tu - ar - y.

879

*f sonore*

*dim. poco a poco*

**Tempo di pulcino**  $\text{♩} = 132$

883

*p cresc. poco a poco*

887

Ch. L. *mf*

I'll nev - er do the

887

*mf dim.* *mp*

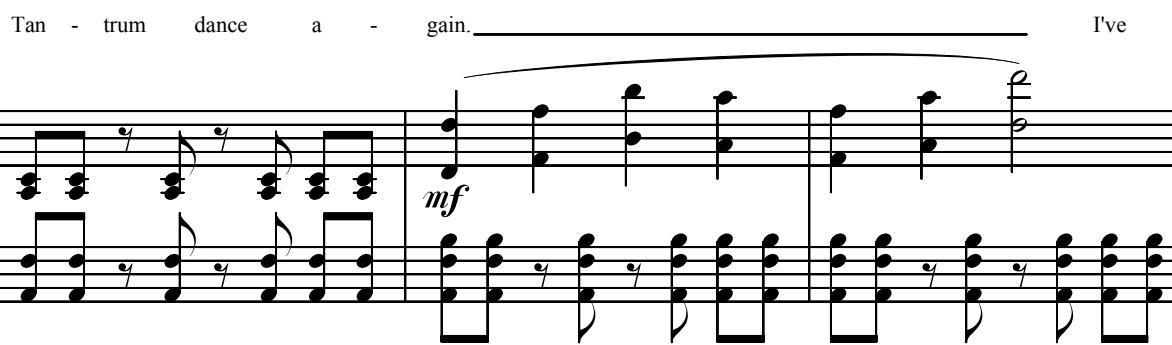
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890

Ch. L.

Tan - trum dance a - gain. I've

890



893

Ch. L.

cresc. f with abandon

learned a bet - ter dance, it's called "This is my

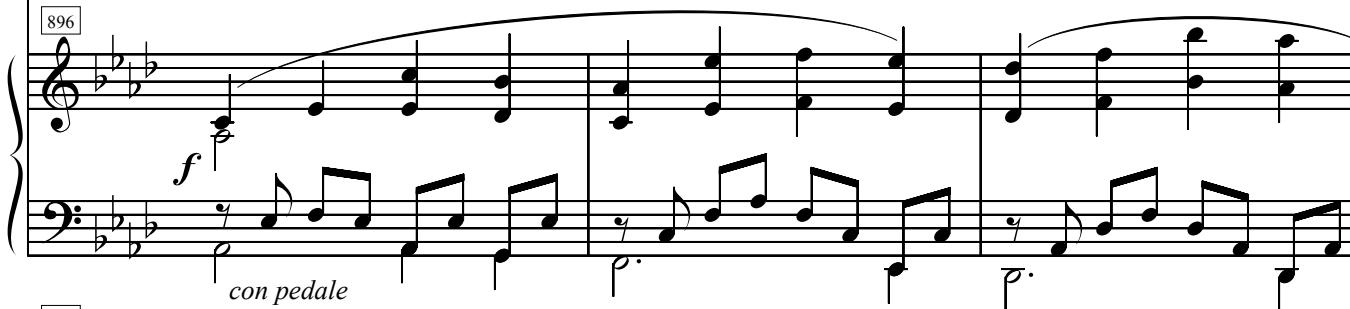
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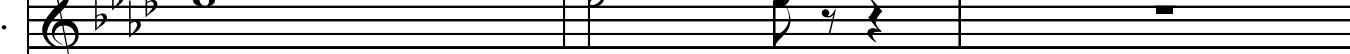
ff

home."



899

Ch. L.



899



902

Foxy

905 Drat! the lit - tle brat!

909

Birds

We are birds, from south and north and

We are birds, from south and north and

We are birds, from south and north and

913 semper legato

f

con pedale

917

Birds

east and west we sal - ly forth From

east and west we sal - ly forth From

east and west we sal - ly forth From

917

Bass

p. x p. x x p. #p.

921

Birds

hill and hol - low, field and glen

hill and hol - low, field and glen

hill and hol - low, field and glen

921

Bass

p. x p. x x p. #p.

925

*mf*

our flight con - tin - ues with - out end. As you can

*cresc.*

Birds

*mf*

our flight con - tin - ues with - out end. As you can

*cresc.*

*mf*

our flight con - tin - ues with - out end. As you can

*poco rit.*

*a tempo*

*cresc.*

*mf*

*925*

*a tempo*

*cresc.*

930

*f*

*poco rit. e dim.*

*a tempo*

*cresc. poco a poco*

*exuberantly*

see with just one glance \_\_\_\_\_ ev - 'ry bird on

*cresc. poco a poco*

*exuberantly*

Birds

*f*

see with just one glance \_\_\_\_\_ ev - 'ry bird on

*cresc. poco a poco*

*exuberantly*

*f*

*poco rit. e dim.*

*a tempo*

*cresc. poco a poco*

*930*

935

*f*

earth can dance! \_\_\_\_\_

Birds

935

*f*

earth can dance! \_\_\_\_\_

*f*

earth can dance! \_\_\_\_\_

935

*f*

940

*La danza di uccelli*  $\text{d} = 48$

*8va* ----- *d.*

*dim.*

945

*unison mp*

Birds

Ev - 'ry dif - frent dance be - comes

945

*mp*

951 *div.*

part of the har - mo - ny,

all wov - en

all wov - en

all wov - en

all wov - en

Birds

951

952

953

954

955

956

957 *rit.*

— in a seam - less web.

— in a seam - less web.

— in a seam - less web, a seam - less web.

— in a seam - less web, a seam - less web.

8va

957

rit.

— in a seam - less web, a seam - less web.

#p.

**La danza di volpone**

(Chicken Little walks up to Foxy Loxy.)

962

Ch. L.

Would you like to learn to dance?

966

(Chicken Little starts to dance. She holds out her hands for Foxy to dance along with her. Foxy hesitates. Then he holds out his hands, and Chicken Little and Foxy Loxy dance together, with all the awkwardness of a first promise.)

971

976

**Tentatively** ♩ = 120 *accel.*

**Tempo volando** ♩ = 132

980

**Allegro vivace**

985

*8va*

*ff*