

We Haven't Discovered America Yet

for TTBB Chorus, Solo Voice and Piano
with optional guitars, tambourines and string bass

Music and Lyrics by

Don Tucker

Choral Arrangement by Bruce Trinkley

*We hopped a barge on the Erie Canal and New York floated by,
We breathed the early morning mist, beneath a lemon sky,
And tried our luck at a Sunday clam bake with nice folk that we met,
But we haven't discovered America yet.*

Chorus

*Train, train, move along, make the road bed sing,
Truck, truck, trucking by, jet plane do your thing,
Highway, country road, showing us the way
To see the U. S. A.*

*We steamed up wake on an old paddle wheel, by Mississippi clay,
And heard the captain's tale about the one that got away,
Had brandywine and a jumbalie stew, caught crayfish in a net,
But we haven't discovered America yet.*

Chorus

*We took a train from an Iowa town, a-pulling forty cars,
And saw the moonlit fields of wheat beneath a million stars.
The black-eyed peas and potato pancakes I don't think we'll forget,
But we haven't discovered America yet.*

Chorus

*We rode a bus down the Barbary Coast, where sailors put to sea,
And tasted California wine, from sauterne to chablis.
We've seen a lot of country this year, with nothing to regret,
But we haven't discovered America yet.*

Chorus

To celebrate the nation's Bicentennial in 1976, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania presented a Conestoga wagon to each of the 50 states. These wagons became the lead wagons of 5 Wagon Trains which crossed the United States converging on Valley Forge, PA on July 4, 1976. Each Wagon Train travelled approximately 20 miles a day and had a performing group that presented an evening show at each encampment along the way. *We Haven't Discovered America Yet* was the traveling song of these performances and conveyed the joy and excitement of the performers as they traveled across the country.

Optional Spoken Introduction to the song:

You know, before we joined the Wagon Train, some of us had never been west of the Mississippi. We'd spent all of our time in school, reading about the world in books.

We'd always dreamed about seeing the country, but now that we're finally doing it, there's just too much to take it all in!

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From the Bicentennial Wagon Train Show (1976)
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Bright, not fast $\text{♩} = 100$ $\text{E}\flat$ Cm in $\text{E}\flat$ Cm in $\text{E}\flat$ Cm in

Piano *mf*

solo voice *mf*

We hopped a barge on the E - rie Ca - nal And New York float - ed by,

We breathed the ear - ly mor - nin' mist, Be - neath a lem - on sky,

And tried our luck at a Sun - day clam bake With nice folk that we met,

The musical score is written for piano and solo voice. The piano part is in E-flat major/C minor, 4/4 time, with a tempo of 100 beats per minute. The solo voice part is in the same key and time. The score includes lyrics and musical notation for both parts. The piano part features a variety of chords and melodic lines, while the solo voice part has a simple, catchy melody. The lyrics are: 'We hopped a barge on the Erie Canal And New York float-ed by, We breathed the ear-ly mor-nin' mist, Be-neath a lem-on sky, And tried our luck at a Sun-day clam bake With nice folk that we met,'

18 But we hav-en't dis-cov - ered A - mer - i - ca yet.

18 Eb Ab Fm Bb7 Eb Cm Eb

23 *f* Train, train, move a - long, Make the road bed sing,

23 *f* Train, train, move a - long, Make the road bed sing,

23 *f* Train, train, move a - long, Make the road bed sing,

23 Ab Eb Cm Bb7 Eb

27 Truck, truck, truck - in' by, Jet plane do your thing,

27 Truck, truck, truck - in' by, Jet plane do your thing,

27 Truck, truck, truck - in' by, Jet plane do your thing,

27 Ab Eb F7 Bb7

31

High - way, coun - try road, Show - in' us the way to see the

31

Ab Eb Cm Bb7 Eb Ab

36

U. S. A. We

first time
solo voice or
tutti tenors *mf*

second time
solo voice or
tutti basses *mf*

36

Eb/Bb Bb7 Eb Cm Eb Cm Eb Cm Eb Bb7

41
8
steamed up wake on an old pad-dle wheel, By Mis - sis - sip - pi clay, And

took a train from an I - o - wa town, A pull - in' for - ty cars, And

41
E \flat Cm B \flat 7 E \flat A \flat E \flat
mp

45
8
heard the cap - tain's tale a - bout The one that got a - way, Had

saw the moon - lit fields of wheat Be - neath a mil - lion stars, The

45
A \flat E \flat F7 B \flat 7

49
8
bran - dy - wine and a jum - ba - lie stew, Caught cray - fish in a net, But we

black - eyed peas and po - ta - to pan - cakes I don't think we'll for - get, But we

49
E \flat Cm E \flat A \flat E \flat

53

hav - en't dis - cov - ered A - mer - i - ca yet.

hav - en't dis - cov - ered A - mer - i - ca yet.

53

$A\flat$ Fm $B\flat7$ $E\flat$ Cm $E\flat$

57

f *tenor 1*

Train, train, move a - long, Make the road bed sing,

f *tenor 2*

Train, train, move a - long, Make the road bed sing,

f *bass 1 and 2*

Train, train, move a - long, Make the road bed sing,

57

$A\flat$ $E\flat$ Cm $B\flat7$ $E\flat$

61

Truck, truck, truck - in' by, Jet plane do your thing,

61

Ab Eb F7 Bb7

65

High - way, coun - try road, Show - in' us the way to see the

65

Ab Eb Cm Bb7 Eb Ab

70

8 U. S. A. _____

1. 2.

8 U. S. A. _____

1. 2.

8 U. S. A. _____

1. 2.

70

E \flat /B \flat B \flat 7 E \flat C \flat E \flat C \flat E \flat C \flat F D \flat

75

mf

We rode a bus down the Bar-bar-y Coast, Where sail-ors put to sea,

mf

We rode a bus down the Bar-bar-y Coast, Where sail-ors put to sea,

mf

We rode a bus down the Bar-bar-y Coast, Where sail-ors put to sea,

mf

We rode a bus down the Bar-bar-y Coast, Where sail-ors put to sea,

75

F F D \flat F B \flat

mp

79

And tast - ed Cal - i - for - nia wine, From sau - terne to cha - blis. We've

79

F Bb F G7 C7

84

seen a lot of coun - try this year, With noth - ing to re - gret, But we

84

F Dm F Bb F

88

hav - en't dis - cov - ered A - mer - i - ca yet.

hav - en't dis - cov - ered A - mer - i - ca yet.

hav - en't dis - cov - ered A - mer - i - ca yet.

hav - en't dis - cov - ered A - mer - i - ca yet.

88 Bb Gm C7 F Dm F

92

f Train, train, move a - long, Make the road bed sing,

f Train, train, move a - long, Make the road bed sing,

f Train, train, move a - long, Make the road bed sing,

f Train, train, move a - long, Make the road bed sing,

92 Bb F Dm C7 F

96

Truck, truck, truck - in' by, _____ Jet plane do your _____ thing, _____

Truck, truck, truck - in' by, _____ Jet plane do your _____ thing, _____

Truck, truck, truck - in' by, _____ Jet plane do your _____ thing, _____

Truck, truck, truck - in' by, _____ Jet plane do your _____ thing, _____

96 B \flat F G7 C7

100

High - way, coun - try road, _____ Show - in' us the way _____ to

High - way, coun - try road, _____ Show - in' us the way _____ to

High - way, coun - try road, _____ Show - in' us the way _____ to

High - way, coun - try road, _____ Show - in' us the way _____ to

100 B \flat F Dm C7 F

104 *cresc.*

see _____ the U. S. _____

cresc.

see _____ the U. S. _____

cresc.

see _____ the U. S. _____

cresc.

see _____ the U. S. _____

104 B \flat B \flat C C

cresc.

108 *ff*

A. _____ Yo!

ff

A. _____ Yo!

ff

A. _____ Yo!

ff

A. _____ Yo!

108 F Dm F Dm F Dm F

ff