

On the death of a child

Words: Robert Herrick (1591-1674)

Music: Brooke Joyce

$\text{♩} = 48$ *p legato*

S. Here a pret-ty ba-by lies,— Here a pret-ty ba-by lies,—

A. *p legato* Here a pret-ty ba-by lies,— Here a pret-ty

T. *p legato* Here a pret-ty ba-by lies,—

B.

Detailed description: This block contains the first system of a four-part vocal setting. It features four staves: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). The music is in 2/2 time and begins with a tempo marking of quarter note = 48 and a dynamic of piano (*p*) with a legato instruction. The Soprano part starts with a melodic line, while the Alto, Tenor, and Bass parts enter later in the system. The lyrics are: 'Here a pret-ty ba-by lies,— Here a pret-ty ba-by lies,—' for Soprano; 'Here a pret-ty ba-by lies,— Here a pret-ty' for Alto; and 'Here a pret-ty ba-by lies,—' for Tenor. The Bass part is silent in this system.

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Here... a... pret - ty ba - by... lies,

ba-by lies,— Here... a... pret - ty ba - by—

Here a pret-ty ba-by lies,— Here... a... pret - ty

Detailed description: This block contains the second system of the musical score, starting at measure 5. It features the same four staves as the first system. The lyrics are: 'Here... a... pret - ty ba - by... lies,' for Soprano; 'ba-by lies,— Here... a... pret - ty ba - by—' for Alto; and 'Here a pret-ty ba-by lies,— Here... a... pret - ty' for Tenor. The Bass part remains silent. The music continues with melodic lines for the vocal parts.

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pp
Sung a-sleep with lul - la - bies,
pp
lies, Sung a-sleep with lul - la - bies,
pp *legato* *p*
ba - by - lies, Sung a-sleep with
pp
Sung - a - sleep with lul - la - bies,

13

p
lul - la - bies,
p
Sung a-sleep with lul - la - bies,
p
lul - la - bies, lul - la -
p
Sung a-sleep with lul - la - bies,

17

pp

Pray be si-lent, and not stirre The ^{lift}

bics.

21

pp

The ea - sie earth that

ea - sie earth that co - vers,

pp

The ea - sie *pp*

The

co - vers, co - vers, co - vers her. *ppp*

co - vers, co - vers, co - vers her. *ppp*

8 earth that co - vers, co - vers her. *ppp*

ea - sic earth that co - vers her. *ppp*