

WHO WILL BUY

Words and Music by LIONEL BART

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Intro *freely*

Tenor Lead

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What a won - der - ful day! ——— What a

Bari Bass

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3 glo - ri - ous day! ——— 4 The whole world is com -

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6

7 8

in' a - live! ——— a - live, a - live!

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a - live!

Chorus $\text{♩} = 120$

9 Who will buy this won - der - ful morn - ing?

Who will buy this won - drous morn - ing?

13 Such a sky you ne - ver did see.

Such a sky you

17 Who will tie it up with a rib - bon and

Who will tie it with a rib - bon

21 put it in a box for me?

me?

23 me?

24 So I can

me?

25 26 27 28

see it at my lei - sure when -

This system contains measures 25 through 28. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The key signature has one sharp (F#). Measure 25: Treble has a half note G4, bass has a half note G2. Measure 26: Treble has a half note A4, bass has a half note A2. Measure 27: Treble has a half note B4, bass has a half note B2. Measure 28: Treble has a half note C5, bass has a half note C3. The lyrics are 'see it at my lei - sure when -'.

29 30 31 32

ev - er things go wrong. And I could

wrong.

This system contains measures 29 through 32. Measure 29: Treble has a half note D5, bass has a half note D2. Measure 30: Treble has a half note E5, bass has a half note E2. Measure 31: Treble has a half note F#5, bass has a half note F#2. Measure 32: Treble has a half note G5, bass has a half note G2. The lyrics are 'ev - er things go wrong. And I could'.

33 34 35 36

keep it as a treas - ure to

treas - ure

This system contains measures 33 through 36. Measure 33: Treble has a half note A4, bass has a half note A2. Measure 34: Treble has a half note B4, bass has a half note B2. Measure 35: Treble has a half note C5, bass has a half note C3. Measure 36: Treble has a half note D5, bass has a half note D2. The lyrics are 'keep it as a treas - ure to'.

37 38 39 40

last my whole life long. Won't some - bo - dy come and

This system contains measures 37 through 40. Measure 37: Treble has a half note E5, bass has a half note E2. Measure 38: Treble has a half note F#5, bass has a half note F#2. Measure 39: Treble has a half note G5, bass has a half note G2. Measure 40: Treble has a half note A5, bass has a half note A2. The lyrics are 'last my whole life long. Won't some - bo - dy come and'.

Who Will Buy

buy? _____

41 42 43 44

Who will buy this won - der - ful feel - ing?

buy? _____

Detailed description: This system contains measures 41 through 44. The melody is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). Measure 41 starts with a whole note G4. Measure 42 has a whole note A4. Measure 43 has a whole note B4. Measure 44 has a whole note C5. The bass line is in bass clef. Measure 41 has a whole note G2. Measure 42 has a whole note F#2. Measure 43 has a whole note E2. Measure 44 has a whole note D2. The lyrics are 'Who will buy this won - der - ful feel - ing?'.

45 46 47 48

I'm so high, I swear I could fly. _____

Detailed description: This system contains measures 45 through 48. The melody is in treble clef. Measure 45 has a whole note G4. Measure 46 has a whole note A4. Measure 47 has a whole note B4. Measure 48 has a whole note C5. The bass line is in bass clef. Measure 45 has a whole note G2. Measure 46 has a whole note F#2. Measure 47 has a whole note E2. Measure 48 has a whole note D2. The lyrics are 'I'm so high, I swear I could fly.'.

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49 50 51 52

Me, oh my! I don't want to lose _____ it, so

Detailed description: This system contains measures 49 through 52. The melody is in treble clef. Measure 49 has a whole note G4. Measure 50 has a whole note A4. Measure 51 has a whole note B4. Measure 52 has a whole note C5. The bass line is in bass clef. Measure 49 has a whole note G2. Measure 50 has a whole note F#2. Measure 51 has a whole note E2. Measure 52 has a whole note D2. The lyrics are 'Me, oh my! I don't want to lose _____ it, so'.

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53 54 55 x 56

what am I to do to keep the sky so blue? _____ There

Detailed description: This system contains measures 53 through 56. The melody is in treble clef. Measure 53 has a whole note G4. Measure 54 has a whole note A4. Measure 55 has a whole note B4. Measure 56 has a whole note C5. The bass line is in bass clef. Measure 53 has a whole note G2. Measure 54 has a whole note F#2. Measure 55 has a whole note E2. Measure 56 has a whole note D2. The lyrics are 'what am I to do to keep the sky so blue? _____ There'.

Tag

a tempo $\text{♩} = 120$

must be some - one who will buy! Who will buy? Must be some - one who will buy? Who will buy? come and buy! come and buy!

Performance Notes

Who Will Buy is one of several memorable tunes written by Lionel Bart and featured in the musical **Oliver**. The musical was adapted from the Charles Dickens novel, **Oliver Twist**—a story about a young orphan boy struggling to survive on the streets of London in the 1830s. During the musical, *Who Will Buy* is performed by Oliver, and several street vendors in the town, as a song of gratitude and hope.

This arrangement features a driving rhythmic theme, but also allows a few brief moments of free-style singing—without tempo. Performers should strive for accurate execution of all rhythms while expressing the lyrics with passion and artistry.

Dave Briner's arrangements are sung every year by quartets and choral groups world-wide. The Barbershop Harmony Society has published several of his arrangements. They are fun, creative, and easily singable; making them excellent selections for any chapter chorus or quartet.

As a final note: Questions about the suitability of this or any other song/arrangement should be directed to the judging community and measured against current contest rules. Ask *before* you sing.