

The Star Spangled Banner

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Majestically ♩ = 80

Oh, — say, can you see, by the dawn's ear - ly light, What so

proud - ly we hailed at the twi - light's last gleam - ing? Whose broad

stripes and bright stars, through the per - i - lous fight, O'er the

ram - parts we watched, were so gal - lant - ly stream - ing? And the

rock - ets' red glare, the bombs burst - ing in air, Gave

proof through the night that our flag was still there. O

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The musical score for the second system of 'The Star Spangled Banner' is presented in two systems. The first system contains the lyrics: 'say, does that Star - Span - gled Ban - ner yet wave O'er the'. The second system contains the lyrics: 'land of the free and the home of the brave?'. The music is written in a grand staff with a treble and bass clef, in the key of B-flat major (two flats). The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

2. On the shore, dimly seen through the mists of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
In full glory reflected now shines in the stream:
'Tis the Star-Spangled Banner! Oh long may it wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

3. And where is that band who so vauntingly swore
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion,
A home and a country should leave us no more!
Their blood has washed out their foul footsteps' pollution.
No refuge could save the hireling and slave
From the terror of flight, or the gloom of the grave:
And the Star-Spangled Banner in triumph doth wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

4. Oh! Thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand
Between their loved home and the war's desolation!
Blest with victory and peace, may the heav'n rescued land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation.
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust."
And the Star-Spangled Banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!