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M-O-T-H-E-R

(A Word That Means The World To Me)

(1915)

Intro

Tenor Lead

Bari Bass

She'll al - ways mean the world to me.

Chorus

"M" is for the mil - lion things she gave me.

"O" means on - ly that she's grow - ing old.

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M-O-T-H-E-R

13 | 14 | 15 | 16

8

"T" is for the tears were shed to save me.

17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21

8

"H" is for her heart of purest gold. "E" is for her

22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26

8

eyes, with love-light shining. "R" means right, and right she'll always

27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31

8

be. Put them all together, they spell "MOTH

32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36

8

ER," a word that means the world to me.

Naration Chorus

M-O-T-H-E-R

Loo loo loo loo loo etc.

[spoken] Mom, I need you to hear this: it's so hard for me to say just what I feel. I still remember as if

Loo loo loo loo loo etc.

Detailed description: This block contains the first system of music, measures 37 to 40. It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The vocal line starts with the word 'Loo' and continues with 'loos' and 'etc.'. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes. The lyrics are: '[spoken] Mom, I need you to hear this: it's so hard for me to say just what I feel. I still remember as if'.

it were just yesterday; you called me in for dinner. I was always late. You tucked me into

Detailed description: This block contains the second system of music, measures 41 to 44. The vocal line continues with the lyrics: 'it were just yesterday; you called me in for dinner. I was always late. You tucked me into'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes.

bed, reminding me to brush my teeth and turn out the light. I see you with a shining

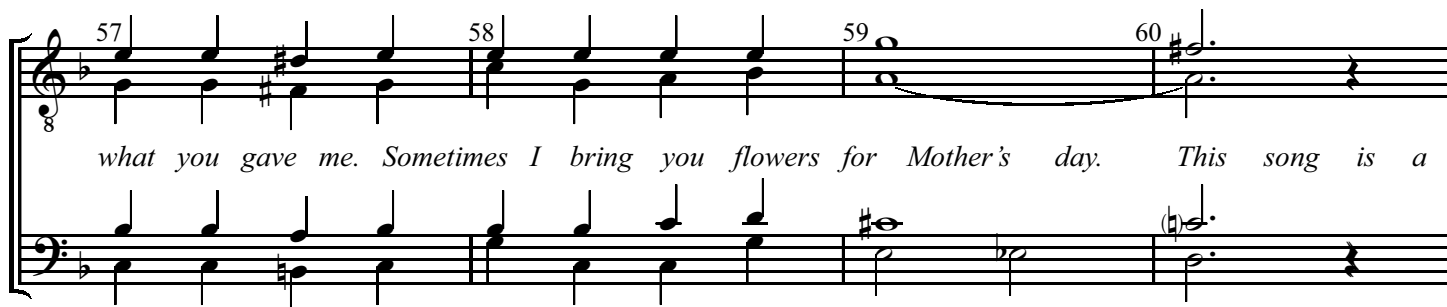
Detailed description: This block contains the third system of music, measures 45 to 48. The vocal line continues with the lyrics: 'bed, reminding me to brush my teeth and turn out the light. I see you with a shining'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes.

crown of white, and the tears running down my face are like the tears you shed for

Detailed description: This block contains the fourth system of music, measures 49 to 52. The vocal line continues with the lyrics: 'crown of white, and the tears running down my face are like the tears you shed for'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes.

me from time to time, because you cared so very much about your boy. I can never repay

Detailed description: This block contains the fifth system of music, measures 53 to 56. The vocal line continues with the lyrics: 'me from time to time, because you cared so very much about your boy. I can never repay'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes.



57 58 59 60

what you gave me. Sometimes I bring you flowers for Mother's day. This song is a

Detailed description: This system contains measures 57 through 60. The music is written in a grand staff with a treble clef on the top staff and a bass clef on the bottom staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). Measure 57 starts with a treble staff note on G4 and a bass staff note on G2. Measure 58 continues with similar notes. Measure 59 features a long note in the treble staff. Measure 60 ends with a treble staff note on G4 and a bass staff note on G2.



61 62 63 64 65

bouquet. Please hold it and keep it close to your heart. It's for you, my Mother. A word that means the

Detailed description: This system contains measures 61 through 65. The music continues in the same grand staff format. Measure 61 starts with a treble staff note on G4 and a bass staff note on G2. Measure 62 continues with similar notes. Measure 63 features a treble staff note on G4. Measure 64 continues with similar notes. Measure 65 ends with a treble staff note on G4 and a bass staff note on G2.



66 67 68 69 70 71

Tag

world _____ to me, she means the world to me. _____

Detailed description: This system contains measures 66 through 71. Measure 66 starts with a treble staff note on G4 and a bass staff note on G2. Measure 67 continues with similar notes. Measure 68 is marked with a 'Tag' above it. Measure 69 continues with similar notes. Measure 70 features a long note in the treble staff. Measure 71 ends with a treble staff note on G4 and a bass staff note on G2.