

SIMPLE TOWN



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approx. 9 min.

1 with motion (♩ = 96)

Tenor I

Tenor II

Baritone

Bass

Piano

1 with motion (♩ = 96) *mf* *legato* *poco rit.* *a tempo* *p*

5

T1

T2

Br

Bs

piano

5 *f* *mf* *mp* *mp*

I lived

I lived

10

T1
ma - ny long years in a qui - et small town life was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't _____

T2
ma - ny long years in a qui - et small town life was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't _____

Br

Bs

mp
I did

mp
I did

piano
mp

14

T1

T2

Br
what I should, _____ made my grades all good _____ life was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't _____

Bs
what I should, _____ made my grades all good _____ life was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't _____

mf
I could

mf
I could

piano

18

T1
T2
Br
Bs

laugh and play a - ny time of day

laugh and play a - ny time of day

as long as I looked the o - ther way a

as long as I looked the o - ther way a

It was a

It was a

mf *mp* *mp* *mp*

piano

22

T1
T2
Br
Bs

charm - ing town with gen - tle folk do - ing what they should in stead of what they could so I

charm - ing town with gen - tle folk do - ing what they should in stead of what they could so I

charm - ing town with gen - tle folk do - ing what they should in stead of what they could so I

charm - ing town with gen - tle folk do - ing what they should in stead of what they could so I

mp

piano

26

T1 packed my bags _____ and left that town _____ to move on like a cir - cus clown not know - ing *mf*

T2 packed my bags _____ and left that town _____ to move on like a cir - cus clown not know - ing *mf*

Br packed my bags _____ and left that town _____ to move on like a cir - cus clown not know - ing *mf*

Bs packed my bags _____ and left that town _____ to move on like a cir - cus clown not know - ing *mf*

packed my bags _____ and left that town _____ to move on like a cir - cus clown not know - ing

26

piano

30

T1 where to go _____ or who I'd be _____ it was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't. I lived *f*

T2 where to go _____ or who I'd be _____ it was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't. I lived *f*

Br where to go _____ or who I'd be _____ it was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't. I lived *f*

Bs where to go _____ or who I'd be _____ it was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't. I lived *f*

where to go _____ or who I'd be _____ it was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't. I lived

30

piano

34

TI *mp*
 too ma - ny years in that qui - et town of mine. It was I guess lost time but

T2 *mp*
 too ma - ny years in that qui - et town of mine. It was I guess lost time but

Br *mp*
 too ma - ny years in that qui - et town of mine. It was I guess lost time but

Bs *mp*
 too ma - ny years in that qui - et town of mine. It was I guess lost time but

piano *f* *mp*

38

TI *f*
 when I left I left and I be - gan to be who I am com - in' out com - in'

T2 *f*
 when I left I left and I be - gan to be who I am com - in' out com - in'

Br *f*
 when I left I left and I be - gan to be who I am com - in' out com - in'

Bs *f*
 when I left I left and I be - gan to be who I am com - in' out com - in'

piano *f*

42

T1
out com - in' out to play the game but the game is mine

T2
out com - in' out to play the game but the game is mine

Br
out com - in' out to play the game but the game is mine

Bs
out com - in' out to play the game but the game is mine

piano

46

T1
all the time I don't have a - ny shame com - in' out com - in'

T2
all the time I don't have a - ny shame com - in' out com - in'

Br
all the time I don't have a - ny shame com - in' out com - in'

Bs
all the time I don't have a - ny shame com - in' out com - in'

piano

50

T1
out _____ com-in' out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is mine _____

T2
out _____ com-in' out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is mine _____

Br
out _____ com-in' out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is mine _____

Bs
out _____ com-in' out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is mine _____

out _____ com-in' out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is mine _____

piano

50

54

T1
all the time _____ I don't have a - ny shame _____

T2
all the time _____ I don't have a - ny shame _____

Br
all the time _____ I don't have a - ny shame _____

Bs
all the time _____ I don't have a - ny shame _____

all the time _____ I don't have a - ny shame _____

piano

54

7

58

f

T1
 (shame) I lived too ma - ny years in a qui - et small town life was

T2
 (shame) I lived too ma - ny years too ma - ny years life was

Br

Bs

(shame)

piano

61

T1
 sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't I won't waste my time with gen - tle folk do - ing

T2
 sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't I won't waste my time with gen - tle folk do - ing

Br

Bs

piano

Spa

65

mp

T1
 what they should in - stead of what they could I must stay true

T2
 what they should in - stead of what they could I must stay true

Br
mp
 I must stay true and

Bs
mp
 I must stay true and

loco

piano

69

T1
 and not be blue I must stay true

T2
 and not be blue I must stay, I must stay

Br
 not be blue I must stay true to

Bs
 not be blue I must stay true to

69

piano

73

T1
to find you to - day

T2
to find you, find you to - day

Br
find you to - day

Bs
find you to - day

Where are

Where are

piano

f *mp* *pp*

78

T1

T2

Br
you? I must find you, I must find you, I must

Bs
you? I must find you, I must find you, I must

piano

83

T1 must find you to day When I

T2 must find you to day When I

Br find you to day When I

Bs find you to day When I

piano

87

T1 left that town I thought that you'd be found when I left that town I thought that you'd be found that

T2 left that town I thought that you'd be found when I left that town I thought that you'd be found that

Br left that town I thought that you'd be found when I left that town I thought that you'd be found that

Bs left that town I thought that you'd be found when I left that town I thought that you'd be found that

piano

91 *more motion* (♩-116) *mf*

T1
day _____ I must stay _____ true _____ to find _____

T2
day _____ I must stay _____ true _____ to find _____

Br
day _____ I must stay _____ true _____ to find _____

Bs
day _____ I must stay _____ true _____ to find _____

piano

96 *poco rit.* *p* *poco* *a tempo* (♩-96)

T1
you _____ *poco* _____

T2
you _____ *poco* _____

Br
you _____ *poco* *p* _____ *3* _____

Bs
you _____ *poco* *p* _____ *3* _____

8va *poco* *a tempo* (♩-96) *loco*

piano

99

p *mp*

T1 where life was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't? with

T2 where life was sim - ple but oh it wa - sn't? with

Br qui - et small town Were we there side by side

Bs qui - et small town Were we there side by side

piano

99

scd.

103

poco rit. *mf a tempo*

T1 out a - ny pride e - ven though we were near? Did you pack your bags and

T2 out a - ny pride e - ven though we were near? Did you pack your bags and

Br be - ing blind - ed by fear Did you pack your bags and

Bs be - ing blind - ed by fear Did you pack your bags and

piano

103

poco rit. *a tempo*

107

T1
leave that town_____ to move on like_____ a cir - cus clown_____ not know - ing where to go or

T2
leave that town_____ to move on like_____ a cir - cus clown_____ not know - ing where to go or

Br
leave that town_____ to move on like_____ a cir - cus clown_____ not know - ing where to go or

Bs
leave that town_____ to move on like_____ a cir - cus clown_____ not know - ing where to go or

piano

111

T1
who'd you'd be___ Was it sim - ple I bet it wa - sn't? We lived too ma - ny years_____ in_____

T2
who'd you'd be___ Was it sim - ple I bet it wa - sn't? We lived too ma - ny years_____ in_____

Br
who'd you'd be___ Was it sim - ple I bet it wa - sn't? We lived too ma - ny years_____ in_____

Bs
who'd you'd be___ Was it sim - ple I bet it wa - sn't? We lived too ma - ny years_____ in_____

piano

115

TI qui - et small towns _____ It was _____ I guess lost time _____ but when we _____ left _____ we left and

T2 qui - et small towns _____ It was _____ I guess lost time _____ but when we _____ left _____ we left and

Br qui - et small towns _____ It was _____ I guess lost time _____ but when we _____ left _____ we left and

Bs qui - et small towns _____ It was _____ I guess lost time _____ but when we _____ left _____ we left and

piano

mp

119

TI we be - gan to be who we are _____ com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ com - in'

T2 we be - gan to be who we are _____ com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ com - in'

Br we be - gan to be who we are _____ com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ com - in'

Bs we be - gan to be who we are _____ com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ com - in'

piano

f

123

mp

T1
out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we

T2
out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we

Br
out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we

Bs
out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we

piano

123

mp

127

f

T1
don't have a - ny shame _____ com - in' out _____ shame _____ com - in' out _____ com - in'

T2
don't have a - ny shame _____ com - in' out _____ shame _____ com - in' out _____ com - in'

Br
don't have a - ny shame _____ com - in' out _____ shame _____ com - in' out _____ com - in'

Bs
don't have a - ny shame _____ com - in' out _____ shame _____ com - in' out _____ com - in'

piano

127

f

131

mp

T1
out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we

T2
out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we

Br
out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we

Bs
out _____ to play the game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we

piano

135

f

T1
don't have a - ny shame _____ We lived

T2
don't have a - ny shame _____ We lived

Br
don't have a - ny shame _____

Bs
don't have a - ny shame _____

piano

139

T1
too ma - ny years in qui - et small towns life was sim - ple but oh it

T2
too ma - ny years was sim - ple but oh it

Br
(shame)

Bs
(shame)

piano

142

T1
wa - sn't we won't waste more time with gen - tle folk do - ing what they should in - stead of

T2
wa - sn't we won't waste more time with gen - tle folk do - ing what they should in - stead of

Br

Bs

piano

Sua

loco

146

mp

T1
 what they could _____ We must stay _____ true _____ and not be

T2
 what they could _____ We must stay true _____ and not be

mp

Br
 We must stay _____ true _____ for me to be _____ with

mp

Bs
 We must stay _____ true _____ for me to be _____ with

piano

146

p

150

T1
 blue _____ We must stay _____ true _____ to be with

T2
 blue _____ We must stay, we must stay _____ true _____ to be with

Br
 you We must be _____ true _____ for me to be _____ with

Bs
 you We must be _____ true _____ for me to be _____ with

piano

150

154 *f* moving ahead to \downarrow 120

T1
you to - day

T2
you to - day

Br
you to - day

Bs
you to - day

piano

mp

159 *poco rit.* *a tempo* (\downarrow 96) *mf*

T1
com - in'

T2
com - in'

Br
com - in'

Bs
com - in'

piano

f

163

T1
out — is just a start — and from our small towns we must part — to — day

T2
out — is just a start — and from our small towns we must part — to — day

Br
out — is just a start — and from our small towns we must part — to — day

Bs
out — is just a start — and from our small towns we must part — to — day

piano

169 *f* *ff* broadly ($\downarrow 88$)

T1
com - in' out — com - in' out — com - in' out — to play the

T2
com - in' out — com - in' out — com - in' out — to play the

Br
com - in' out — com - in' out — com - in' out — to play the

Bs
com - in' out — com - in' out — com - in' out — to play the

piano

173 *mp* *tempo primo* (♩=96)

T1
game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we don't have a - ny shame

T2
game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we don't have a - ny shame

Br
game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we don't have a - ny shame

Bs
game _____ but the game is ours _____ this time 'round _____ we don't have a - ny shame

piano

173 *tempo primo* (♩=96)

177 *f*

T1
com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ to play the

T2
com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ to play the

Br
com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ to play the

Bs
com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ com - in' out _____ to play the

piano

177

181

mp

T1
game but the game is ours this time 'round we don't have a - ny shame com - in'

T2
game but the game is ours this time 'round we don't have a - ny shame com - in'

Br
game but the game is ours this time 'round we don't have a - ny shame com - in'

Bs
game but the game is ours this time 'round we don't have a - ny shame com - in'

piano

186

ff

T1
out com - in' out com - in' out to play the game sub. com - in'

T2
out com - in' out com - in' out to play the game sub. com - in'

Br
out com - in' out com - in' out to play the game sub. com - in'

Bs
out com - in' out com - in' out to play the game sub. com - in'

piano

190

T1
out, com - in' out, com - in' out to play the game com - in' *mp*

T2
out, com - in' out, com - in' out to play the game com - in' *mp*

Br
out, com - in' out, com - in' out to play the game com - in' *mp*

Bs
out, com - in' out, com - in' out to play the game com - in' *mp*

piano
190 *3* *3* *3* *3*

194

T1
out mm com - in' out mm com - in' out mm com - in' out mm *p*

T2
out mm com - in' out mm com - in' out mm com - in' out mm *p*

Br
out mm com - in' out mm com - in' out mm com - in' out mm (mm) *p*

Bs
out mm com - in' out mm com - in' out mm com - in' out mm (mm) *p*

piano
194 *3* *3* *3* *pp*

199

TI

T2

Br

Bs

piano

202

TI

T2

Br

Bs

piano

pp

poco rit.

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp