

15. Swing

Ruth and Village Hepcats

Cue: RUTH: Step up!

Moderately light swing ($\text{♩} = 72$)

RUTH

p squarely

Step up! Step up! Get hep! Get hep!

Piano

H.H.
p

Detailed description: This block contains the first four measures of the piece. The top staff is for Ruth, with lyrics 'Step up! Step up!' and 'Get hep! Get hep!'. The piano accompaniment is in the bottom two staves, starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic and a 'squarely' articulation. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment with some syncopation.

5

Ruth

Come on down to the Vil-lage Vor-tex, Home of the new jazz rage: Swing!_

Detailed description: This block contains measures 5 through 8. The Ruth part continues with the lyrics 'Come on down to the Vil-lage Vor-tex, Home of the new jazz rage: Swing!_'. The piano accompaniment continues with the same eighth-note pattern.

9

Ruth

Rock and roll to the beat, beat, beat of Speed - y Va-len - ti and his

p

Detailed description: This block contains measures 9 through 11. The Ruth part has the lyrics 'Rock and roll to the beat, beat, beat of Speed - y Va-len - ti and his'. The piano accompaniment continues with the eighth-note accompaniment.

12

Ruth

VILLAGER: Hey, cats, get a load of that square!

Kra-zy Kats!_

f

Cl.

3

Detailed description: This block contains measures 12 through 14. The Ruth part has the lyrics 'Kra-zy Kats!_'. The piano accompaniment features a piano (*f*) dynamic and includes a clarinet (*Cl.*) part with triplets. The piano accompaniment continues with the eighth-note accompaniment.

A

15 *mf* (uncertainly)

Ruth

Swing! Dig the rhy - thm! Swing! Dig the

Clas. Tpts. (Harmon mutes)

p Tbnas.

Pno., Strs. pizz.

18

Ruth

mes - sage! The jive is jump - in' and the mu - sic_ goes 'round and a - round. Whoa - ho!

Tpts. Clas.

VILLAGER: Get her!

21

B

Ruth

Goes a - round and a - round. Cats, make it sol - id!

Tpts. Clas. Tbnas.

mf *p*

25

Ruth

Cats, make it groov - y! You got - ta get your sea - food, Ma - ma, your

Tbnas.

28

Ruth

fa - vor-ite dish — is fish, — It's your fa - vor-ite dish.

Tpts.

Cls.

mf

C

31 *p*

Ruth

Don't be square, — Rock right out — of that rock - in' chair; —

Cls.

p

Strs. arco

Br.

Br.

34 *cresc.*

Ruth

Truck on down — and let down your hair, — Breathe that bar - rel - house air!

f

Cls., Br., Pno.

cresc.

f

D

38 *p sub.* *mf*

Ruth

The Vil - lage Vor - tex! — Swing! Dig the rhy - thm!

Cls.

p

Tbns.

Pno., Cb.

Tpts.

41

Swing! Dig the mes - sage! The jive is jump - in' and the mus - sic_ goes

Cl.s Tpts. Cl.s

44

round and a - round, Get full of foo - ry - a - ky - sa - ky, - Get full of the sound_ of

cresc. cresc.

47

swing, The sol - id, groov - y, jiv - y sound of swing!_____

VILLAGE HEPCATS (SOPRANOS & ALTOS unis.) *f*
Swing!_____ Dig the

VILLAGE HEPCATS (TENORS & BASSES unis.) *f*
Swing!_____ Dig the

Cl.s Tpts. Cl.s

E

50

S
A
T
B

rhy - thm! Swing! Dig the mes - sage! The jive is

rhy - thm! Swing! Dig the mes - sage! The jive is

Tpts. Cls. Tpts. +Vlns.

53

S
A
T
B

jump - in' an' the mu - sic goes 'round and a - round. Whoa - ho!

jump - in' an' the mu - sic goes 'round and a - round. Whoa - ho!

Cls. Tpts. Cls. Tpbs.

56 (getting the idea) F

Ruth

S
A
T
B

Oh!

Cat, make it sol - id!

Cat, make it sol - id!

Tpts. Cls. Tpbs.

50

Cat, make it groov - y! You got - ta get your sea - food, Ma - ma, - your

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Cl.s. Tbn.s. +Vln.s.

62

(beginning to enjoy it)

Oh!

fa - vor - ite dish is fish!

fa - vor - ite dish is fish!

Tpts. Cl.s. Tbn.s.

G

65 *f*

Don't be square, - Rock right out - of that rock - in' chair; - Truck on down - and let

Don't be square, - Rock right out - of that rock - in' chair; - Truck on down - and let

Br. Cl.s.

69

S
A
T
B

down your hair, — Breathe that bar - rel - house air!

down your hair, — Breathe that bar - rel - house air!

Br. *f* Cls., Br. 3 Pno., Cb. 3

72

[H] *ff*

Ruth

S
A
T
B

Whoa-ho - de-ho! The

You got-ta get with the Whoa - ho - de-ho! The gut - gut buck-et!

You got-ta get with the Whoa - ho - de-ho! The gut - gut buck-et!

Cls. *8ba* *mf* Pno., Strs.

76

Ruth

S
A
T
B

gut - gut buck-et! Skid-dle-ee-oh ___ day! ___

Skid-dle-ee-oh ___ day! ___

Skid-dle-ee-oh ___ day! ___

3 3 3

79

pp

Hee - dle, hee - dle, hee - dle! *f* Well, all

Hee - dle, hee - dle, hee - dle! *f* Well, all

Cl. *pp*

81

f Well, all right then, cats! *p* Well,

right then, cats! *(claps)* Yes, yes, Ba - by, I know! *p*

right then, cats! *(claps)* Yes, yes, Ba - by, I know! *p*

Cl. *f* *Br.*

I (in a trance) *pp*

85

yes, yes, Ba - by, I know — That old — man Mose — Kicked the

Cl. sust. *pp sub.*

90

Ruth

buck-et, The old oak-en buck-et that hung in the well, — Well,

95

Ruth

well, well, Ba-by, I know — No, no; was it red? No, no,

100

Ruth

no! Was it green, green, green is the col-or of my true love's hair,

J

105

Ruth

Hair - breadth Har-ry with the floy, floy doy, — floy doy, floy doy, floy

(*sempre pp*)

K

110 *Shout*, *f* *lyrically*

Ruth

doy, hoy! Hoy dre(h)eamt hoy dwe(h)elt in ma(h) r - ble

Br. *f*
(pp)

115 *dim.* *p*

Ruth

halls well_ that ends well,_ well, well, Ba - by, I know_ No,

dim.

120

Ruth

no, Was it green? No, no, no, Was it red sails in the sun - set call - in'

125

Ruth

me, me,_ me.____ You good for noth - in' Mi - mi, mi - mi,

L

129 *f* *dim.*

Ruth Me Tar - zan, You Jane, - Swing - in' in the trees, Swing - in' in the

SOPRANOS & ALTOS *f*
Tch.

TENORS & BASSES *f*
Tch.

134 *p*

Ruth trees, Swing - in' in the trees, Swing - in', Swing - in',

S *mf* *mp* *p*
A Tch. Tch. Tch. Tch.

T *mf* *mp* *p*
B Tch. Tch. Tch. Tch.

139 *più dim.*

Ruth
 Swing-in', Swing-in', Swing-in', Swing-in'

S
 A
 Tch. Tch. Tch. Tch.

T
 B
 Tch. Tch. Tch. Tch.

pp
più dim.

M
 143 (♩ = ♩) **Play 3 times** *pp ma marc.*

Ruth
 Floy doy, floy doy, floy doy,

S
 A
pp
 Swing! Tch - tch-tch, tch - tch - tch, tch - tch-tch-tch.

T
 B
pp
 Swing! Tch - tch-tch, tch - tch - tch, tch - tch-tch-tch.

Play 3 times

Traps (optional)
ppp

Ruth

floy - doy hoy! Ge - sund - heit. You're wel - come.

S
A

Loud whisper

Tch! Thanks.

T
B

Loud whisper

Tch! Thanks.

Play 3 times

149 *p* Hand claps

S
A

Finger snaps

claps

+Foot stomps

T
B

p Hand claps

Finger snaps

claps

+Foot stomps

N Play 2 times

S
A

Whoa! Come on, Jack - son, You're get - ting hep.

f *p* clap clap

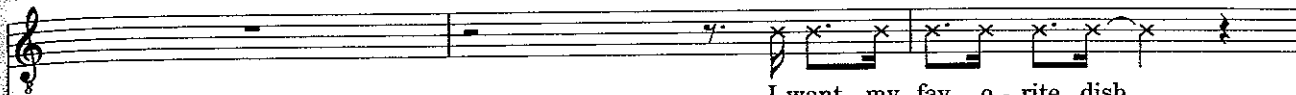
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B

Whoa! Come on, Jack - son, You're get - ting hep.

f *p* clap clap

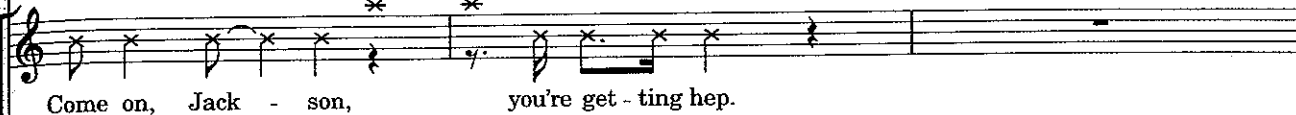
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(always loud whisper)

uth 

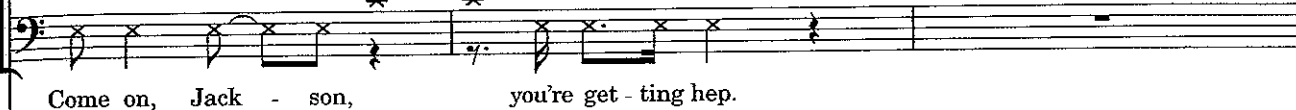
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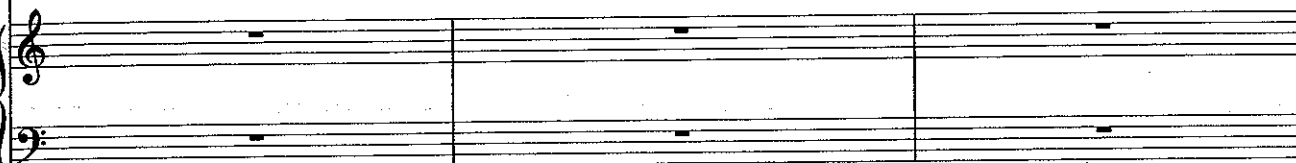
clap

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cresc.


clap

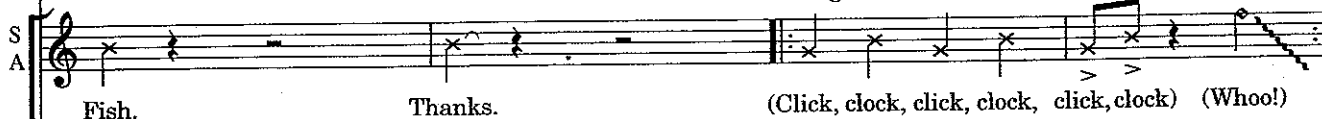
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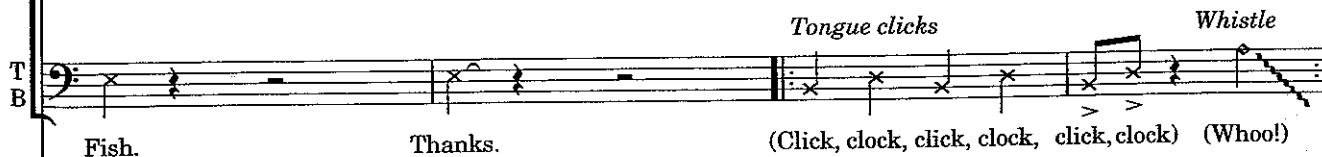


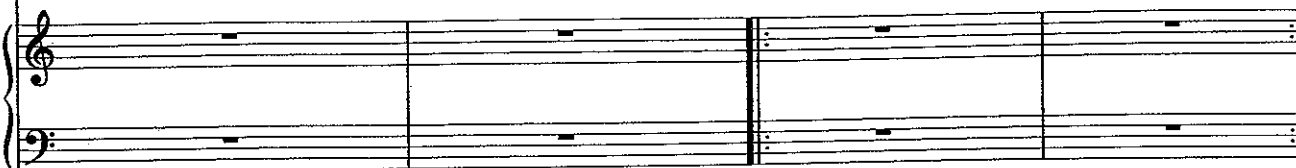
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Play 3 times

uth 

S 

T 





162 *clap* (Snap fingers on off-beats)

Sol - id, groov - y, jiv - y, sound of swing! Tch,

Tch,

p

Cb. pizz.

166

swing!

FIRST MAN

swing!

Ah, do it!

Tenor Sax 8ba

Cl., Pno.

mp

cresc.

Baritone Sax, Vcs.

170

FIRST GIRL

SECOND MAN

Sea - food, Ma - ma!

Sol - id, Jack - son!

+Alto Sax, Vlns.

Tbn. 3, Vla.

P

173

SECOND GIRL (a long banshee wail)

Ah! _____

cresc.

+Tpt. 4

176

TUTTI *f*

Go! Go! Go! Go!

TUTTI *f*

Go! Go! Go! Go!

f +Tpt. 3

f sempre

(Saxes)

179

S
A

T
B

Yah!

Yah!

(Saxes)

+Tpt. 2

+Tpt. 1

cresc.

Q

182

S
A

Sol-id!

T
B

Sol-id!

cresc.

185

R

S
A

ff Swing! Swing! Oh,

T
B

ff Swing! Swing! Oh,

Saxes. Br.

ff

188

S
A

swing it!

T
B

swing it!

Tbns.

marc.

191

Tpts.

Saxes, Vlns. 3

194

Saxes, Tpts.

fff

Tpts.

Strs.

197

f

mf

Swing, - Swing! -

mf

Swing, - Swing! -

Saxes

dim. poco a poco

Tbns.

200

S

A

T

B

p

Swing, - Swing! -

p

Swing, - Swing! -

mf

dim.

ppp

T

RUTH

203

p (in a hoarse, hypnotic whisper)

Swing, swing, Green? No, red? No,

Traps, Pno. (optional), Strs.
(*ppp*)

206

Ruth

Me Tar-zan a - no, no, no. That old man Mose_ He kicked that buck-et.

210

Ruth

Down in the well, well, well, well, My fa-vor-ite dish_ Ahh fish!

S
A (from offstage)
Ge -

T
B (from offstage)
Ge -

114

Thank you. Swing,- swing,- swing,- swing,

sund-heit. You're wel-come. Swing,- swing,- swing,- swing,

sund-heit. You're wel-come. Swing,- swing,- swing,- swing,

217

— swing,- swing! —

— swing,- swing! —

— swing,- swing! —

Tutti
ff sub. *fff* *fff* *fff*