

# Out of Reach

for SSAA choir and piano

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$\text{♩} = 80$  *Melancholic, innocent*

The musical score consists of five staves. The top four staves represent vocal parts: SOP. 1 (Soprano 1), SOP. 2 (Soprano 2), ALT. 1 (Alto 1), and ALT. 2 (Alto 2). The bottom staff represents the Piano. The key signature is one flat, and the time signature is common time (indicated by a '4'). The vocal parts sing in unison. The piano part provides harmonic support with sustained notes. The vocal parts begin with a melodic line that includes eighth and sixteenth note patterns. The lyrics are: "The world is great: the birds all fly from me" followed by "The stars are golden". The piano part continues with sustained notes throughout the section.

The musical score continues with the same five staves. The vocal parts sing in unison. The lyrics are: "fruit u - pon a tree" followed by "All out of reach: my lit-tle sis-ter went, \_\_\_\_\_ And". The piano part continues with sustained notes.

**SAMPLE**

The musical score continues with the same five staves. The vocal parts sing in unison. The lyrics are: "Oo" followed by "Oo". The piano part continues with sustained notes.

$\text{♩} = 110$  *playful, childlike*

14

I am lone - ly  
Oo  
Oo  
Oo

$\text{♩} = 110$

*mp*

*pp mf*

\* *pedal. lib.*

*mp*

The world is great: I

*mp*

The world is great:

*mp*

The world is

*mp*

The world is great: I

*pp mf*

*pp mf*

The world is great: I

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27

where the light lies still, but it rose higher,  
but it rose higher,  
pines so still but it rose higher,  
where the light lies still but it rose  
where the light lies still but it rose higher,  
where the light lies still but it rose higher,

31

**SAMPLE**

meno mosso

I am lone - ly

**Meno mosso**

**p with rubato**

42

*p*

Oo

*p*

Oo Oo

*mp*

The world is great but out of reach the

*mp*

The world is great but out of reach the

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46

Oo

46

Oo

birds all fly from me, the stars are

birds all fly from me, the stars are

*mp*

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58

wind comes rush - ing by \_\_\_\_\_ I

wind comes rush - ing by \_\_\_\_\_ I

great, wind rush - ing by \_\_\_\_\_

great, the wind rush - ing by \_\_\_\_\_

**SAMPLE**

61

won - der where it comes from; sea birds cry

won - der where it comes from; sea birds cry

Where does it come from; sea birds cry

Where does it come from; sea birds cry

64

and hurt my heart and hurt my heart: my  
and hurt my heart and hurt my heart: my  
and hurt my heart and hurt my heart: my  
and hurt my heart, and hurt my heart

3 3

68

lit-tle sis - ter went And I am lone - ly  
lit-tle sis - ter went And I am lone - ly  
lit - tle sis - ter went And I am lone - ly  
lit-tle sis - ter went And I am lone - ly

$\text{♩} = 80$  Mournfully, defeated

9

74

The world is great: the people laugh and talk,

Mm Mm

pp

Mm Mm

80

pp  
and

day: how fast they walk!

But I am lame

they push me

Mm

Section left intentionally blank

10  
93

and I and I am lone -  
and I and I am  
rit.

98

# SAMPLE

ly  
Oo  
Oo  
rit.

*p*

\*these bars for piano are optional if needed to maintain pitch