

Wade in the Water

African American Spiritual

Quite lively ($\text{♩} = 100$)

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Musical score for "Wade in the Water" arranged for Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass, and Piano. The key signature is $\#$, and the time signature is $12/8$. The vocal parts enter at different times, with the piano providing harmonic support. The vocal entries are as follows:

- Soprano: Starts at measure 1.
- Alto: Starts at measure 1.
- Tenor: Starts at measure 1.
- Bass: Starts at measure 1.
- Piano: Starts at measure 1.
- Alto: Enters at measure 1.
- Tenor: Enters at measure 1.
- Bass: Enters at measure 1.
- Piano: Enters at measure 1.
- Soprano: Enters at measure 1.
- Alto: Enters at measure 1.
- Tenor: Enters at measure 1.
- Bass: Enters at measure 1.
- Piano: Enters at measure 1.
- Soprano: Enters at measure 1.
- Alto: Enters at measure 1.
- Tenor: Enters at measure 1.
- Bass: Enters at measure 1.
- Piano: Enters at measure 1.

Text under the vocal parts:

(mm) (mm) (mm)
Wade in the
(mm) (mm) (mm)
Wade in the
(mm) (mm) (mm)
Wade in the
(mm) (mm) (mm)
Wade in the wa - ter, child - - ren,
wa - ter (mm) (mm)
Wade in the wa - ter, child - - ren,
wa - ter (mm) (mm)
Wade in the wa - ter, child - - ren,

Continuation of the musical score for "Wade in the Water". The vocal parts continue their entries in a repeating pattern, with the piano providing harmonic support. The vocal entries are as follows:

- Soprano: Starts at measure 1.
- Alto: Starts at measure 1.
- Tenor: Starts at measure 1.
- Bass: Starts at measure 1.
- Piano: Starts at measure 1.
- Alto: Enters at measure 1.
- Tenor: Enters at measure 1.
- Bass: Enters at measure 1.
- Piano: Enters at measure 1.
- Soprano: Enters at measure 1.
- Alto: Enters at measure 1.
- Tenor: Enters at measure 1.
- Bass: Enters at measure 1.
- Piano: Enters at measure 1.
- Soprano: Enters at measure 1.
- Alto: Enters at measure 1.
- Tenor: Enters at measure 1.
- Bass: Enters at measure 1.
- Piano: Enters at measure 1.
- Soprano: Enters at measure 1.
- Alto: Enters at measure 1.
- Tenor: Enters at measure 1.
- Bass: Enters at measure 1.
- Piano: Enters at measure 1.

Text under the vocal parts:

(mm) Wade in the wa - ter, child - - ren,
wa - ter (mm) (mm)
Wade in the wa - ter, child - - ren,
wa - ter (mm) (mm)
Wade in the wa - ter, child - - ren,

(mm) (mm)

God's a-goin' a trouble the wa - ter.

Wade in the wa - - ter, God's a-goin' a trouble the wa - ter.

(mm) (mm)

God's a-goin' a trouble the wa - ter.

Wade in the wa - - ter, God's a-goin' a trouble the wa - ter.

*Verses can be sung by any voice part, small group or solo,
with the "God's a-goin' a trouble the water" responses sung
by the whole choir each time.*

See that host all dressed in white, God's a-goin' a trouble the wa - ter, The Looks
See that band all dressed in red, what do I see? The Just
Look over yon - der, been re - deemed,

8 See that host all dressed in white, God's a-goin' a trouble the wa - ter, The Looks
See that band all dressed in red, what do I see? The Just
Look over yon - der, been re - deemed,

God's a-goin' a trouble the wa - ter,

mf pp mf

mf pp mf

mf pp mf

mf pp mf

Repeat after verses 1, 2 and 3

Sheet music for three voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor/Bass) and piano. The vocal parts are in G clef, and the piano part is in F clef. The key signature changes from common time to 12/8 time. The vocal parts sing a spiritual hymn with lyrics:

lea - der looks like the Is - rea - lite. God's a-goin' a trou-ble the wa - ter.
like the band that Mo - ses led.
Ho - ly Ghost a - comin' on me.
fol-low me down to Jor - dan's stream.

The piano part provides harmonic support with chords and bass notes.

Sheet music for three voices and piano, continuing from the previous section. The vocal parts sing:

(mm) (mm) (mm)
(mm) (mm) Wade in the
(mm) (mm) (mm)
(mm) (mm) Wade in the

The piano part provides harmonic support with chords and bass notes. The dynamic marking 'p' is present in the piano part.

Musical score for the first section of "Wade in the Water". The score consists of four staves. The top two staves are in treble clef, the bottom two in bass clef. The key signature is one sharp. The tempo is indicated by a metronome mark of 120 BPM. The lyrics are written below the notes. Measure 1: (mm) Wade in the wa - ter, child - - ren, (mm). Measure 2: wa - ter (mm) (mm). Measure 3: (mm) Wade in the wa - ter, child - - ren, (mm). Measure 4: wa - ter (mm) (mm). Measures 5-6: piano accompaniment.

Musical score for the second section of "Wade in the Water". The score consists of four staves. The top two staves are in treble clef, the bottom two in bass clef. The key signature is one sharp. The tempo is indicated by a metronome mark of 120 BPM. The lyrics are written below the notes. Measure 1: (mm) (mm) God's a-goin' a trou-ble the wa - ter. Measure 2: Wade in the wa - - ter, God's a-goin' a trou-ble the wa - ter. Measure 3: (mm) (mm) God's a-goin' a trou-ble the wa - ter. Measure 4: Wade in the wa - - ter, God's a-goin' a trou-ble the wa - ter. Measures 5-6: piano accompaniment.

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