

Charade

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Slow waltz tempo

The musical score begins with four staves for vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in treble and bass clefs, respectively, all set in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats. The vocal parts are mostly silent at the start. The piano part, in common time, begins with a dynamic of *p* and consists of eighth-note chords.

The vocal parts enter at measure 5, singing the lyrics "When we played our cha - rade we were like". The piano part continues its eighth-note chordal pattern. The vocal entries repeat the phrase three times, followed by a final piano section.

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chil - dren po - sing
Pla - ying at games,
chil - dren po - sing
Pla - ying at games,
chil - dren po - sing
Pla - ying at
chil - dren po - sing
Pla - ying at

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ac - ting out names, Gues-sing the parts we played.
ac - ting out names, Gues-sing the parts we played.
games, ac - ting out names, gues-sing the parts that we played.
games, ac - ting out names, gues-sing the parts that we played.

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mp
Oh, what a hit we made We came on next to
Oh, what a hit we made We came on next to
mp Oh, what a hit we made
Oh, what a hit we made

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clo - sing best on the bill, lo - vers un- til
 clo - sing best on the bill, lo - vers un- til
 best on the bill, lo - vers un- til
 best on the bill, lo - vers un- til

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love left the mas - que - rade. *mf*
 love left the mas - que - rade. *mf* Fate seemed to
 love left the mas - que - rade. *mf* Fate seemed to
 love left the mas - que - rade. *mf* Fate seemed to
 love left the mas - que - rade. Fate seemed to

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pull the strings; I turned and you were gone.
 pull the strings; I turned and you were gone.
 pull the strings; I turned and you were gone.
 pull the strings; I turned and you were gone.

45

While from the dar - kened wings the mu - sic box played
 While from the dar - kened wings the mu - sic box played
 While from the dar - kened wings the mu - sic box played
 While from the dar - kened wings the mu - sic box played

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on. sub. *p* Sad lit - tle se - re - nade,
 on. sub. *p* Sad lit - tle se - re - nade,
 on. sub. *p* Sad lit - tle se - re - nade,
 on. sub. *p* Sad lit - tle se - re - nade,
 on. Sad lit - tle se - re - nade,

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Song of my heart's com - po - sing, I hear it
 Song of my heart's com - po - sing, I hear it
 (unis.)
 Song of my heart's com - po - sing, I hear it still,
 Song of my heart's com - po - sing, I hear it still,

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still Best on the bill, cha - rade.

still Best on the bill, cha - rade.

I al - ways will, Best on the bill, cha - rade.

I al - ways will, Best on the bill, cha - rade.

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(unis.)

p Played the game, played cha - rade, mas - que - rade,

Played the game, played cha - rade, mas - que - rade,

Played the game, played cha - rade, mas - que - rade,

Played the game, played cha - rade, mas - que - rade,

Played the game, played cha - rade, mas - que - rade,

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I turned and you were gone. While from the dar - kened wings the

I turned and you were gone. While from the dar - kened wings the

I turned and you were gone. While from the dar - kened wings the

I turned and you were gone. While from the dar - kened wings the

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poco accel.

music box played on and on and on and on, A

music box played on and on and on and on, A

music box played on and on and on and on, A

music box played on and on and on and on, A

poco accel.

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a tempo

sad lit - tle se - re - nade, Song of my heart's com -

a tempo

sad lit - tle se - re - nade, Song of my heart's com -

a tempo

sad lit - tle se - re - nade, Song of my heart's com -

a tempo

sad lit - tle se - re - nade, Song of my heart's com -

a tempo

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mp

po - sing. *mp* I hear it still, I al - ways will,

po - sing. *mp* I hear it still, I al - ways will,

po - sing. *mp* I hear it still, I al - ways will,

po - sing. I hear it still, I al - ways will,

mp

99

Best on the billy cha - rade, *poco rit.*

Best on the bill cha - rade, *poco rit.*

Best on the billy cha - rade, *poco rit.*

Best on the billy cha - rade, *poco rit.*

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fade to nothing

played the game, cha - rade.

played the game cha - rade.

played the game cha - rade.

played the game cha - rade.

fade to nothing