

The Star-Spangled Banner

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Arr: James W. Tackett for The Sweet Expressions

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1 **A** 2 3 4 5

Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's ear - ly light,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the per - il - ous fight,

Musical notation for measures 1-5, including treble and bass staves.

6 7 8 9 10

What so proud - ly we hailed at the twi - light's last gleam - ing?
O'er the ram - parts we watched, were so gal - lant - ly stream - ing?

Musical notation for measures 6-10, including treble and bass staves.

11 **B** 12 13

And the rock - ets' red glare, the bombs
the rock - ets' glare

Musical notation for measures 11-13, including treble and bass staves.

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14 15 16 17 18

burst-ing in air, Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still
bombs burst in air

Musical notation for measures 14-18, including vocal line and piano accompaniment.

19 20 21 22 23

C

there. Oh, say does that Star-Span-gled Ban-ner yet wave O're the

Musical notation for measures 19-23, including vocal line and piano accompaniment.

24 25 26 27 28 29 30

D Optional Ending

land of the free, and the home of the brave? A - mer - i - ca!

Musical notation for measures 24-30, including vocal line and piano accompaniment.

Optional interpretation:
Sing lyrics from A thru C, leave off high note in Soprano in 25 and do not retard ending.
Repeat to A and hum to C. Sing from C to End.
Read second and fourth stanzas during the humming.

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2.

On the shore, dim-ly seen thro' the mists of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
In full glory reflected, now shines on the stream:
'Tis the Star-Spangled Banner;
Oh, long may it wave
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave.

3.

And where is that band, who so vauntingly swore
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion,
A home and a country should leave us no more?
Their blood has washed out their foul footsteps' pollution;
No refuge could save the hireling and slave
From the terror of flight or the gloom of the grave;
And the Star-Spangled Banner in triumph doth wave
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave.

4.

Oh, thus be it ever when freemen shall stand
Between their loved homes and the war's desolation;
Blest with victory and peace, may the Heaven-rescued land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just;
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust!"
And the Star-Span-gled Banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave.