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III. Mother, dear!

an alphabetic patter song

Frank Felice

Allegro, defiant! (♩ = c. 120)

S
Moth-er dear! It may tru - ly be as you have feared, that I might

A
Moth-er dear! It may tru - ly be as you have feared, that I might

T
Moth-er dear! It may tru - ly be as you have feared, that I might

B
Moth-er dear! It may tru - ly be as you have feared, that I might

for rehearsal only

4
S
not love nor may I mar - ry some-one who's an act-or or a box - er, or a

A
not love nor may I mar - ry some-one who's an act-or or a box - er, or a

T
not love nor may I mar - ry some-one who's an act-or or a box - er, or a

B
not love nor may I mar - ry some-one who's an act-or or a box - er, or a

Mother, dear!

Fast!! (♩ = c. 152+) *leggiero* (staggered breathing is a *must*)

8

S cab-bie or a dent-ist, *ff* No! *mf* No, not an auth-or buy-er cow-boy drum-mer

A cab-bie or a dent-ist, *ff* No! *mf* No, not an auth-or buy-er cow-boy drum-mer

T cab-bie or a dent-ist, *ff* No! No!

B cab-bie or a dent-ist, *ff* No! No!

8

12

S en-voy forg-er gard-ner, or a harp-ist in-tern jock-ey kick-er life-guard mob-ster news-man, or an

A en-voy forg-er gard-ner, or a harp-ist in-tern jock-ey kick-er life-guard mob-ster news-man, or an

T

B

12

12

Mother, dear!

12

15

S ost - ler plumb-er quilt - er rac - er stunts-man tub - ist ump - ire or a vend - or nor a wrang - ler nor an

A ost - ler plumb-er quilt - er rac - er stunts-man tub - ist ump - ire or a vend - or nor a wrang - ler nor an

T

B

15

18

S X - con or a yank - ee or _____ or a zom - bie!_ For! _____ I am

A X - con or a yank - ee or _____ or a zom - bie!_ For! _____ I am

T No, not a yank - ee or a zom - bie!_ For! _____ I am

B No, not a yank - ee or a zom - bie!_ For! _____ I am

18

Mother, dear!

22

S fair-ly cert-ain that I am al - ler-gic to some-one else-'s brains! No! Moth-er not an

A fair-ly cert-ain that I am al - ler-gic to some-one else-'s brains! No! Moth-er not an

T fair-ly cert-ain that I am al - ler-gic to some-one else-'s brains!

B fair-ly cert-ain that I am al - ler-gic to some-one else-'s brains!

26

S ath-lete bass-ist crit-ic doc-tor em-cee farm-er gild-er or a hack-er ink-er jug-gler knit-ter

A ath-lete bass-ist crit-ic doc-tor em-cee farm-er gild-er or a hack-er ink-er jug-gler knit-ter

T *p*
*Chum chum chum chum chum chum chum chum chum chum chum chum

B *p*
*Boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom

p
* Move quickly to the "mmm" consonant - like muted tubas and horns
If splitting the tenors are too risky, have some of the altos sing the top
tenor part and adjust the soprano and alto sections for balance.

Mother, dear!

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29

S law-yer mas-on nom-ad or an oars-man paint-er quib-bler ranch-er sing-er tail-or ush-er or a

A law-yer mas-on nom-ad or an oars-man paint-er quib-bler ranch-er sing-er tail-or ush-er or a

T chum chum chum chum chum chum chum chum chum chum chum chum

B boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom

32

S vamp-ire or a writ-er or an ex-pert or a yeo-man or a driv-er of zam-bon-i, But! — I am

A vamp-ire or a writ-er or an ex-pert or a yeo-man or a driv-er of zam-bon-i, But! — I am

T chum chum chum chum chum chum chum a driv-er of zam-bon-i, But! — I am

B boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom a driv-er of zam-bon-i, But! — I am

32

36

S pret - ty sure that if I could be giv - en such a chance — then moth - er dear I am

A pret - ty sure that if I could be giv - en such a chance — then moth - er dear I am

T pret - ty sure that if I could be giv - en such a chance — then moth - er dear I am

B pret - ty sure that if I could be giv - en such a chance — then moth - er dear I am

36

40

S cert - ain that I just might have — to kiss one!

A cert - ain that I just might have — to kiss one!

T cert - ain that I just might yes I think I just might have — to kiss one!

B cert - ain that I just might yes I think I just might have — to kiss one!

40

RH