

The First Noel

D major · 3/4 · melody with note names

Key D major (two sharps: F#, C#) **Range** D4 to D5 **Words** Traditional English (the article says the carol is of Cornish origin)
Music Traditional English tune; Wikipedia: current form first published in 1823 and 1833, edited by William Sandys and Davies Gilbert

1 D Bm A Em D F#m G D
 F# E D E F# G A B C# D C# B A

5 G D Em D G C#dim D A7 D
 B C# D C# B A B C# D A G F#

9 F#m D Bm A Em D F#m G D
 F# E D E F# G A B C# D C# B A

13 G D Em D G C#dim D A7 D
 B C# D C# B A B C# D A G F#

17 F#m D Bm F#m D G D
 F# E D E F# G A D C# B B A

21 A Bm D G D Bm C#dim D A7 D
 A D C# B A B C# D A G F#

Scale of D major DEF# GABC# I D:DF# A IV G:GBD V A:AC# E

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