



Christmas Book • Level 1B

Piano

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This book may be used by students in Level 1B of Alfred's Basic Piano Library or in the second book of any method.

The enduring charm of the Christmas season brings out the need for composers to express their feelings in newly-created Christmas music each year. Over the past century, many of these songs have become as well-known and loved as the traditional carols.

For this *Top Hits Christmas* series (Levels 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4) we have selected only those new musical favorites that have become a permanent part of the Christmas season, and arranged them for young piano students. When combined with the traditional carols available in Alfred's *Merry Christmas!* Series (Levels 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4), piano students have at their fingertips all the music they would want to perform during the holiday season.

HAND POSITIONS: The Christmas songs in this book are limited to Middle C and Middle D Positions (with accidentals). If either hand moves, the new position is indicated above or below the measure where the change takes place.

PROGRESSIVE ORDER: Although the songs are placed in approximate order of difficulty, they may be played in any order. Students will usually play the rhythms correctly from memory, or if not, they can be quickly taught by rote.

DUETS: Every Christmas song in this book has a duet part. These songs make excellent student-teacher or student-parent duets. Both solo and duet parts contain measure numbers for easy reference.

The arrangers and editors wish the teacher, student and parents a very merry Christmas and hope you will enjoy the new and special arrangements of Christmas music found in this book.

Christmas Song, The (Arr. by George Peter Tingley)
(Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire)
Middle C Position 20

Do You Hear What I Hear (Arr. by Tom Gerou)
Middle C Position 10

Frosty the Snow Man (Arr. by Dennis Alexander)
Middle C Position 2

Holly Jolly Christmas, A (Arr. by Martha Mier)
Middle C and Middle D Positions 16

I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus
(Arr. by Martha Mier)
Middle C and Middle D Positions 18

I'll Be Home for Christmas (Arr. by Martha Mier)
Middle C and Middle D Positions 6

Jingle-Bell Rock (Arr. by George Peter Tingley)
Middle D Position 12

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer
(Arr. by Tom Gerou)
Middle D Position 4

Shake Me I Rattle (Squeeze Me I Cry)
(Arr. by Sharon Aaronson)
Middle D Position 22

Silver Bells (Arr. by Sharon Aaronson)
from the Paramount Picture THE LEMON DROP KID
Middle D Position 14

Suzy Snowflake (Arr. by George Peter Tingley)
RH Middle D Position; LH Middle C Position 8



I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus

Middle C and Middle D Positions

Words and Music by Tommie Connor
Arr. by Martha Mier

Moderately slow

mf | Saw Mom-my Kiss-ing San-ta Claus, Un-der-neath the

mis-tle-toe last night; She did-n't see me creep down the

DUET PART (Student plays one octave higher than written.)

Moderately slow

mp with pedal

mf

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