

# ONE MINUTE MADRIGAL

for S.S.A. voices, a cappella\*  
Performance Time: About 1 minute!

Words and Music by  
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Lightly (♩ = ca. 84)

**SOPRANO I**  
Sing we a song that takes but a min - ute,

**SOPRANO II**  
Sing we a song that takes but a min - ute,

**ALTO**  
Sing we a song that takes but a min - ute,

**PIANO**  
*p (for rehearsal only)*

3 *mp*  
fa la la la la la la la la.

*mp*  
fa la la la la la la la.

*mp*  
fa la la la la la la la.

*mp*

\* Also available for S.A.T.B. (23893) and 3-part mixed/S.A.B. (23894).

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*p* Once 'round the clock and that is the lim - it,

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*p* Once 'round the clock and that is the lim - it,

*p*

7

*mp* fa la la la la la la la la. Start with *p*

*mp* fa la la la la la la la. Start with *p*

*mp* fa la la la la la la la. Start with *p*

*mp* *p*

9

*cresc.* *mf*

one, two, three, sung in har - mo - ny, fa la

*cresc.* *mf*

one, two, three, sung in har - mo - ny, fa la

*cresc.* *mf*

one, two, three, sung in har - mo - ny, fa la

*cresc.* *mf*

*p*

la la la la la. Then it's

*p*

la la la la la. Then it's

*p*

la la la la la. Then it's

*p*

13

*grad. cresc.*

four, five, six, on - ly thir - ty more ticks. Does this

*grad. cresc.*

four, five, six, on - ly thir - ty more ticks. Does this

*grad. cresc.*

four, five, six, on - ly thir - ty more ticks. Does this

*grad. cresc.*

15

song make an - y sense?

song make an - y sense?

song make an - y sense?



17

*p* Sing we a song that takes but a min - ute,

*p* Sing we a song that takes but a min - ute,

*p* Sing we a song that takes but a min ute,

*p*

19

*mp* fa la la la la la la la la.

*mp* fa la la la la la la la.

*mp* fa la la la la la la la.

*mp*

21 *p*

Once 'round the clock and that is the lim - it,

*p*

Once 'round the clock and that is the lim - it,

*p*

Once 'round the clock and that is the lim - it,

*p*

23 *mp* *p*

fa la la la la la la la. Sing - ing

*mp* *p*

fa la la la la la la la. Sing - ing

*mp* *p*

fa la la la la la la la. Sing - ing

*mp* *p*

25

*cresc.* *mf*

sev - en, eight, nine, with a press - ing dead - line, fa la

*cresc.* *mf*

sev - en, eight, nine, with a press - ing dead - line, fa la

*cresc.* *mf*

sev - en, eight, nine, with a press - ing dead - line, fa la

*cresc.* *mf*

27

*p*

la la la la la. Fif - teen

*p*

la la la la la. Fif - teen

*p*

la la la la la. Fif - teen

*p*

29 *grad. cresc.*

sec - onds to go, now I hope you know we must

*grad. cresc.*

sec - onds to go, now I hope you know we must

*grad. cresc.*

sec - onds to go, now I hope you know we must

*grad. cresc.*

31 *f* *p* **33**

fin - ish this song on time! Now that we've sung for

*f* *p*

fin - ish this song on time! Now that we've sung for

*f* *p*

fin - ish this song on time! Now that we've sung for

*mp*

most of a min - ute, fa la la la la la la la la.

*mp*

most of a min - ute, fa la la la la la la la.

*mp*

most of a min - ute, fa la la la la la la la la.

*mp*

37

*p*

We're tired of sing - ing this song, we ad - mit it, fa la la la la la la

*p*

We're tired of sing - ing this song, we ad - mit it, fa la la la la la

*p*

We're tired of sing - ing this song, we ad - mit it, fa la la la la la

*p*

40 *mp* *mf* **41** *cresc. to end*

la la la. Now we sing this fi - nal fa la

la la la. Now we sing this fi - nal fa la

la la la. Now we sing this fi - nal fa la

*mp* *mf* *cresc. to end*

*mp* *mf* *cresc. to end*

Note: Director and/or singers  
anxiously check wrist watches  
and/or a stopwatch, react, and  
quickly proceed to the next bar.\*

43 **As quickly as possible!** *ff*

fa la la la la la la la la!

fa la la la la la la la!

fa la la la la la la la!

**As quickly as possible!** *ff*

\* Measure 43 may be omitted for a continuous performance to the end of the piece.

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