

# THE LITTLE DRUMMER BOY

for Handbells (3, 4 or 5 Octaves) and optional snare drum

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Bells Used: 37 (3 octaves)  
 48 (4 octaves)  
 58 (5 octaves)

### PERFORMANCE NOTES

Three octave ensembles should omit notes enclosed in parentheses.  
 Four octave ensembles should omit notes enclosed in brackets.  
 Five octave ensembles should ring all notes scored.

Steadily (♩ = ca. 84)

Musical score for measures 8-11. The score is in treble and bass clefs with a piano accompaniment. Measure 8 has a dynamic marking of *LV*. Measure 9 has a dynamic marking of *mp*. Measure 11 has a time signature change to 2/4. The piano part features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes.

Musical score for measures 12-14. The score is in treble and bass clefs with a piano accompaniment. Measure 12 has a dynamic marking of *LV*. Measure 13 has a dynamic marking of *LV*. Measure 14 has a dynamic marking of *mp*. The piano part continues with eighth notes.

Musical score for measures 15-17. The score is in treble and bass clefs with a piano accompaniment. Measure 15 has a dynamic marking of *LV*. Measure 16 has a dynamic marking of *LV*. Measure 17 has a dynamic marking of *LV*. The piano part continues with eighth notes.