

from the Broadway musical *All American*  
**ONCE UPON A TIME**

for S.S.A. voices and piano\*

Performance time: approx. 2:55

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**Dolce cantabile, espressivo** (♩ = ca. 80-84)

SOPRANO I

SOPRANO II

ALTO

PIANO

*mp* *poco rit.* *a tempo*

*mp* *poco rit.* *a tempo*

*mp* *poco rit.* *a tempo*

*mp* *poco rit.* *a tempo*

*pedal harmonically*

*8va*

*Oo* *oo* *Oo*

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*a tempo*  
*mp*

4 *rit.* *a tempo*  
*mp*

Once up-on a time \_\_\_\_\_ a boy with

*rit.* , *a tempo*  
*loo* \_\_\_\_\_ *loo*

*rit.* , *a tempo*  
*loo loo loo loo*

*rit.* *a tempo*

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moon-light in his eyes. \_\_\_\_\_ *loo*

*loo* \_\_\_\_\_ *loo loo loo loo*

*loo loo loo loo* Put his hand in mine

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*poco rit.*

And said he loved me so. But that was

*poco rit.*

And said he loved me so. But that was

*poco rit.*

and said he loved me so. But that was

*poco rit.*

*a tempo* , *rit.* *a tempo*

once up - on a time, ver - y long a - go.

*a tempo* , *rit.* *a tempo*

once, once up - on a time, ver - y long a - go.

*a tempo* , *rit.* *a tempo*

once up - on a time, ver - y long a - go.

*a tempo* *rit.* *a tempo*

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16 *poco rit.* *a tempo*

Once up-on a hill \_\_\_\_\_ we sat be -

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

Once up-on a hill \_\_\_\_\_ we sat be -

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

Oo \_\_\_\_\_

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

19

neath a wil - low tree, \_\_\_\_\_

neath a wil - low tree, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 'neath a wil - low tree, \_\_\_\_\_

21

count-ing all the stars \_\_\_\_\_ and wait-ing for the dawn. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ for the

count-ing all the stars and wait-ing for the dawn. \_\_\_\_\_

24

*poco rit.* *a tempo* *rit.*

\_\_\_\_\_ But that was once up-on a time, \_\_\_\_\_ now the tree is

*poco rit.* *a tempo* *rit.*

dawn. But that was once, once up-on a time, now the tree is

*poco rit.* *a tempo* *rit.*

But that was once up-on a time, \_\_\_\_\_ now the tree is

*poco rit.* *a tempo* *rit.*

(sost.)

29

27 *a tempo* (close to "n") , *mf*

gone. \_\_\_\_\_ Loo loo loo

*a tempo* (close to "n") , *mf*

gone. \_\_\_\_\_ How the breeze

*a tempo* (close to "n") , *mf*

gone. \_\_\_\_\_ Loo loo

*a tempo* *mf*

Ped.

30

loo loo How we al - ways laughed as though to -

ruf - ned through his hair. How we al - ways laughed as though to -

loo loo loo loo How we al - ways laughed as though to -

32

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

mor - row was - n't there. We were young and

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

mor - row was - n't there. We were young and

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

mor - row was - n't there. We were young and

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

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*allargando*

did-n't have a care. Where did it go?

*allargando*

did-n't have a care. Where did it go?

*allargando*

did-n't have a care. Where did it go?

*allargando*

37 *a tempo*  
*f*

Once up-on a time \_\_\_\_\_ the world was sweet-er than we knew. \_\_\_\_\_

*a tempo*  
*f*

Once up-on a time \_\_\_\_\_ the world was sweet-er than we knew. \_\_\_\_\_

*a tempo*  
*f*

Once \_\_\_\_\_ up-on a time the world was sweet-er than we knew. \_\_\_\_\_



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\_\_\_\_\_ Ev-'ry-thing was ours; \_\_\_\_\_ how hap-py we were

Ev-'ry-thing was ours; \_\_\_\_\_ how hap-py we were

Ev-'ry-thing was ours; \_\_\_\_\_ how hap-py we were





43 *decresc. poco a poco* *poco rit.* *a tempo*

then. But some - how once up - on a time

*decresc. poco a poco* *poco rit.* *a tempo*

then. But some - how once up - on a time

*decresc. poco a poco* *poco rit.* *a tempo*

then. But some - how once up - on a time

*decresc. poco a poco* *poco rit.* *a tempo*

46 *rit.* *a tempo mp* (close to "n") ,

nev - er comes a - gain.

*rit.* *a tempo mp* (close to "n") ,

nev - er comes a - gain.

*rit.* *a tempo mp* (close to "n") ,

nev - er comes a - gain.

*rit.* *a tempo mp*

(sost.)

*Red.*

49 *poco meno mosso* *allargando*

Once up - on a time \_\_\_\_\_ nev - er comes a -

*poco meno mosso* *allargando*

Once up - on a time \_\_\_\_\_ nev - er comes a -

*poco meno mosso* *allargando*

Once up - on a time \_\_\_\_\_ nev - er comes a -

*poco meno mosso* *allargando*

52 *a tempo* , *rit. e decresc.* *niente*

gain. Oo \_\_\_\_\_

*a tempo* *rit. e decresc.* *niente*

gain. Oo \_\_\_\_\_

*a tempo* *rit. e decresc.* *niente*

gain. Oo \_\_\_\_\_

*a tempo* *rit. e decresc.* *niente*

*a tempo* *rit. e decresc.* *niente*

Red.