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*Collection*

Folk Songs, Spirituals, and Poetic  
 Settings for Solo Voice and Piano

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# 1. A la Nanita Nana

Traditional Spanish Carol  
Arranged by VICTOR C. JOHNSON

Delicately (♩ = ca. 80)

*p*

4 *poco rit.* *a tempo* 7 *p*  
A la na - ni - ta

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

8  
na - na, na - ni - ta e - lla, na - ni - ta e - lla. Mi ni - ño tie - ne

12 *poco rit.*  
sue - ño ben - di - to se - a, ben - di - to se - a. *poco rit.*

\* Spanish pronunciation and translation is on page 7.

# 3. Follow the Drinking Gourd

Traditional Spiritual  
Arranged by VICTOR C. JOHNSON

Freely (♩ = ca. 92)

3 *mf*

Fol - low the drink-ing gourd... Fol - low the drink - ing gourd... For the

7 *rit. mp*

old man is a - wait - in' for to car - ry you to free - dom, fol - low the drink - ing gourd. \_\_\_\_\_

8<sup>th</sup> 1

11 **Driving** (♩ = ca. 120-126) *mf*

When the

*mf* well-accented throughout

## 6. The Road Not Taken

Words by  
ROBERT FROST (1874-1963)

Music by  
VICTOR C. JOHNSON

Reflectively (♩ = ca. 80)

mp

The piano introduction consists of two staves in 4/4 time, marked *mp*. The right hand features a series of chords and dyads, while the left hand plays a steady eighth-note accompaniment.

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

Two

*poco rit.* *a tempo* *8va*

Measures 4-6. The vocal line begins with a rest, followed by the word "Two" in measure 6. The piano accompaniment includes a trill in the right hand of measure 6, marked *8va*.

7

roads di-verged in a yel-low wood, and sor-ry I could not trav-el

3

Measures 7-9. The vocal line includes a triplet in measure 9. The piano accompaniment continues with a steady eighth-note accompaniment.

10

both and be one trav-'ler, long I stood and

Measures 10-12. The vocal line continues with the lyrics "both and be one trav-'ler, long I stood and". The piano accompaniment continues with a steady eighth-note accompaniment.

# 9. What Do the Stars Do?

Words by  
CHRISTINA ROSSETTI (1830–1894)

Music and additional Words by  
VICTOR C. JOHNSON

With wonder (♩ = ca. 84)

*mp*

5 *mp*

What do the stars do up in the sky,

9

high - er than the wind can blow, or the clouds can fly?

13

What do the stars do up in the sky,