

# First Noel

traditional English carol (V, III)

*D*<sub>(2)</sub> *Bm*<sub>(1)</sub> *A*<sub>(2)</sub> *Em*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(2)</sub> *G*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(2)</sub> *(G)* *(A7)*  
The first Noel the angel did say, was to  
*D*<sub>(2)</sub> *A7*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(1)</sub> *G*<sub>(1)</sub> *A7*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(2)</sub> *A7*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(2)</sub> *A7*<sub>(1)</sub>  
certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; in  
*D*<sub>(2)</sub> *Bm*<sub>(1)</sub> *A*<sub>(2)</sub> *Em*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(2)</sub> *G*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(2)</sub> *(G)* *(A7)*  
fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a  
*D*<sub>(2)</sub> *A7*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(1)</sub> *G*<sub>(1)</sub> *A7*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(2)</sub> *A7*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(2)</sub> *A7*<sub>(1)</sub>  
cold winter's ni---ght that was so deep. No

*D*<sub>(2)</sub> *Bm*<sub>(1)</sub> *A*<sub>(2)</sub> *D*<sub>(1)</sub> *G* *D*<sub>(2)</sub> *A*<sub>(1)</sub>  
Noel, no el, no el, noel,  
*Bm*<sub>(1)</sub> *Dma7*<sub>(1)</sub> *G*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(1)</sub> *G*<sub>(1)</sub> *A*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*<sub>(2)</sub> *A7*<sub>(1)</sub> *D*  
Born is the King of Is ra el.

They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the east beyond them far,  
And to the earth it gave great light,  
And so it continued both day and night.

And by the light of that same star,  
Three wise men came from country far;  
To seek for a king was their intent,  
And to follow the star wherever it went.

This star drew nigh to the northwest;  
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest;  
And there it did both stop and stay,  
Right over the place where Jesus lay.