

# A Minimal Songbook

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## 1 For He's a Jolly Good Fellow

According to the 1998 Guinness World Records, this is the second most recognized song in the English language.

The musical notation for 'For He's a Jolly Good Fellow' is presented in two staves. Above the first staff are three guitar chord diagrams: C (C major), G (G major), and F (F major). The first staff begins with a C chord, followed by a G chord. The lyrics 'For he's a jol - ly good fel - - low, for he's a jo - ly good' are written below the notes. The second staff begins with a C chord, followed by an F chord, then a C chord, and ends with a G chord. The lyrics 'fel - low, for he's a jol - ly good fel - low, which no -bo -dy can de - ny!' are written below the notes. The music is in 8/8 time, with a key signature of one flat (Bb).

## 2 Happy Birthday To You

According to the 1998 Guinness World Records, it is the most recognized song in the English language, followed by “For He's a Jolly Good Fellow”.

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F C C7 Bb

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Hap - py birth - day to you, hap - py birth - day to you, hap - py

Bb F C F

birth - day dear Gui - do, hap - py birth - day to you!

### 3 Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

This is a popular English lullaby.

C 1 C Dm G

C F C Dm C G C

Twin - kle, twin - kle lit - le star, how I won - der what you are!

C Dm C G C Dm C G

Up a - bove the world so high, like a dia - mond in the sky.

C F C

Twin - kle, twin - kle lit - le star, how I won - der what you are!

C F C  
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,  
Dm C G C  
How I wonder what you are!  
C Dm C G  
Up above the world so high,  
C Dm C G  
Like a diamond in the sky.  
Twinkle...

C F C  
When this blazing sun is gone,  
Dm C G C  
When he nothing shines upon,

<sup>C</sup>            <sup>Dm</sup>            <sup>C</sup>    <sup>G</sup>  
 Then you show your little light,  
<sup>C</sup>            <sup>Dm</sup>            <sup>C</sup>  
 Twinkle, twinkle, through the night.  
 Twinkle...

<sup>C</sup>            <sup>F</sup>                            <sup>C</sup>  
 Then the traveller in the dark  
<sup>Dm</sup>            <sup>C</sup>            <sup>G</sup>    <sup>C</sup>  
 Thanks you for your tiny spark;  
<sup>C</sup>            <sup>Dm</sup>            <sup>C</sup>            <sup>G</sup>  
 He could not see where to go,  
<sup>C</sup>            <sup>Dm</sup>            <sup>C</sup>            <sup>G</sup>  
 If you did not twinkle so.  
 Twinkle...

<sup>C</sup>                            <sup>F</sup>            <sup>C</sup>  
 In the dark blue sky you keep,  
<sup>Dm</sup>    <sup>C</sup>                            <sup>G</sup>            <sup>C</sup>  
 And often through my curtains peep,  
<sup>C</sup>            <sup>Dm</sup>    <sup>C</sup>            <sup>G</sup>  
 For you never shut your eye  
<sup>C</sup>            <sup>Dm</sup>    <sup>C</sup>            <sup>G</sup>  
 Till the sun is in the sky.  
 Twinkle...

<sup>C</sup>                            <sup>F</sup>    <sup>C</sup>  
 As your bright and tiny spark  
<sup>Dm</sup>            <sup>C</sup>            <sup>G</sup>    <sup>C</sup>  
 Lights the traveller in the dark,  
<sup>C</sup>            <sup>Dm</sup>            <sup>C</sup>            <sup>G</sup>  
 Though I know not what you are,  
<sup>C</sup>            <sup>Dm</sup>            <sup>C</sup>            <sup>G</sup>  
 Twinkle, twinkle, little star.  
 Twinkle...