

THE WATER IS WIDE

American Folk Song
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Flowing (♩ = ca. 66) *mp*

The wa-ter is

mp

Detailed description: This system contains the first four measures of the piece. The vocal line begins with a whole rest in the first measure, followed by a quarter rest in the second, and then the lyrics 'The wa-ter is' starting in the third measure. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a similar eighth-note pattern in the left hand, both in a G major key signature.

5

wide, I can-not cross o'er. And nei-ther have

Detailed description: This system contains measures 5 through 8. The vocal line continues with the lyrics 'wide, I can-not cross o'er. And nei-ther have'. The piano accompaniment continues with the same eighth-note pattern as in the first system.

9

I _____ the wings to _ fly. Build me a

Detailed description: This system contains measures 9 through 12. The vocal line has a long horizontal line under 'I' and another under 'to' in the first measure, indicating a long note. The lyrics continue with 'the wings to _ fly. Build me a'. The piano accompaniment continues with the eighth-note pattern.

13 *mf*

boat _____ that can car - ry two, And both shall

17 *mp*

row, my true love and I. _____

21 *mf* [23]

A ship there is and she sails the

25

seas. She's la - den deep, _____ as deep can _____

29

be; But not so deep as the love I'm

33

in, And I know not if I sink or

37

swim. I leaned my back a - gainst a young

41

oak, Think - ing he were a trust - y