

THE FIRST NOWELL

Verses

1. The first No - well, the an - gel did say,
2. They look - ed up and saw a star
3. And by the light of that same star
4. This star drew nigh to the north - west,
5. Then en - tered in those wise men three,
6. Then let us all with one ac - cord

1. Was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;
2. Shin - ing in the east, be - yond them far;
3. Three wise men came from coun - try far;
4. O'er Beth - le - hem it took its rest,
5. Full rev - 'rent - ly up - on the knee,
6. Sing prais - es to our heav - 'nly Lord;

1. In fields where they lay keep - ing their sheep,
2. And to the earth it gave great light,
3. To seek for a king was their in - tent,
4. And there it did both stop and stay,
5. And of - fered there, in his pres - ence,
6. Who with the Fa - ther we a - dore

THE FIRST NOWELL, cont. (2)

1. On a cold win - ter's night ___ that was ___ so deep.
 2. And ___ so it con - tin - ued both day ___ and night.
 3. And to fol - low the star ___ wher - ev - er it went.
 4. Right ___ o - ver the place ___ where Je - sus lay.
 5. Their ___ gold ___ and myrrh ___ and frank - in - cense.
 6. And ___ Spir - it blest ___ for ev - er - more.

Refrain

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,

Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Text: Irregular with refrain; trad. English Carol, 17th cent.; verse 6, alt.
 Music: THE FIRST NOWELL; trad. English Carol, 17th cent.