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Tempo di Jazz

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand features a complex, syncopated melody with many beamed eighth and sixteenth notes, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The left hand provides a steady accompaniment with a mix of eighth and quarter notes.

*Vamp*

Went to a dance with my sis-ter Kate,  
Thought if I want to be up-to date,

The first line of the song features a vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part includes a 'Vamp' section with a repeating eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a simple bass line in the left hand. Dynamics include piano (*p*).

Ev'-ry one there said she danced so great. I re-al-ized a thing or two,  
I had to shim-my like sis-ter Kate. Although I tried 'twas all in vain,

The second line of the song continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part maintains the vamp pattern with some harmonic changes. Dynamics include piano (*p*).

Then I got wise to something new, I look'd at Kate, she was in a trance  
But sister Kate could not be blamed, She made me dance till I got sore feet,

The third line of the song concludes the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part continues with the vamp pattern. Dynamics include piano (*p*).

And then I knew it was in her dance All the boys are  
I will be glad when it's all com - plete, Tried so hard to

go - ing wild Just ov - er Ka-tie's danc-ing style. - I  
im - i - tate To shim-my like my sis - ter Kate. - I

## CHORUS

Wish I could Shim - my like my sis - ter Kate, She shiv - ers like the Jel - ly

on a plate; My mam-my want-ed to know last night,

Why all the boys treat Sis-ter Kate so nice, Ev'-ry boy- in our

neigh-bor - hood Knows that she can shim-my and it's un-der - stood.

I know I'm late but I'll be up to date, When I can shim-my like my sis-ter

Kate. I Kate, I mean, shim-my like my sis-ter Kate.