

# OLD KING TUT

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WAS A WISE OLD NUT



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HE GOT INTO HIS ROYAL BED  
THREE THOUSAND YEARS B.C.  
AND LEFT A CALL FOR TWELVE O'CLOCK  
IN NINETEEN TWENTY THREE

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# Old King Tut Was A Wise Old Nut

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Moderato

Introduction for piano. The score is in 2/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It begins with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The melody is in the right hand, and the accompaniment is in the left hand. The piece concludes with a sforzando (*sfz*) dynamic.

Voice

Voice and piano accompaniment for the first line of lyrics. The voice part is in a soprano register with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The piano accompaniment is also in a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The lyrics are: "A - long the val - ley of the Nile, to - night a torch is flam - in' Be -".

Voice and piano accompaniment for the second line of lyrics. The voice part includes a crescendo (*cresc.*) leading to a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The piano accompaniment also includes a crescendo (*cresc.*) and a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The lyrics are: "cause two ex - ca - va - tors found the tomb of Tut Ankh Hamen. They".

Voice and piano accompaniment for the third line of lyrics. The voice part continues with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The piano accompaniment is also in a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The lyrics are: "searched and searched for years and years at last they found the king And".



while they Jes - se Jamesed his tomb, these roy - al ghouls would sing. *gva*

*sfz*

CHORUS

Old King Tut was a wise old nut to sleep three thousand years, He  
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*mf* *mp*

nev - er gave a check-room Jane six-bits to check a two bit cane, With-  
 nev - er had to pawn his throne to buy a meal for some sa-lome, With-  
 nev - er had an ache or pain or had to ride an Er - ie train, He  
 nev - er had the chills or croup or gar-gle Kosh - er nood-le soup, With-

*poco poco cresc.*

in a room they called a tomb he went a - way to sleep He  
 in a room next to his tomb he gam-boled for a lark In -  
 drank some old E - gyp - tian wine, it was his pri - vate brew It  
 in a room next to his tomb one night he gave a ball The

*mf* *mp*



took a - long his wealth and jewels, E - gyp - tian cows and sheep.  
 vit - ed all the la - dies there be - cause the tomb was dark,  
 had some kick and on - ly now the King is com - ing to.  
 Pharachs all played Far - o but it was - n't fair at all.

*mf* *sva loca* *sfz*

Old King Tut was a wise old nut, To snooze a - way in peace No  
 Old King Tut was a wise old nut, There's not the slight - est doubt The  
 Old King Tut was a wise old nut, He had a great old time Three  
 Old King Tut was a wise old nut, With the py - ra - mids on top He

land lord ev - er chased him there, he had a good long lease. They  
 tomb was not to keep him in but keep the pik - ers out. They  
 thousand years up - on the Nile, And nev - er spent a dime. He  
 had a show there ev - 'ry night no Klu Klux Klan could stop The

*sfz* 8

stored his tomb with beef and wine to help his jour - ney on, To -  
 bur - ied him and all the men were jeal - ous of the King, They  
 got in - to his roy - al bed three thous - and years B. C. And  
 day he died they stored a thous - and jugs of wine a - way. With



day we find the beef is there but all the wine is gone.  
 left him twen-ty danc-ing girls and they had ev-'ry-thing,  
 left a call for three o'clock in nine-teen-twen-ty-three,  
 moon-shine twen-ty bucks a quart what's his stuff worth to-day?

Old King Tut was a wise old nut, So let the King sleep on.  
 Old King Tut was a wise old nut, Oh, death! Where is thy sting?  
 Old King Tut was a wise old nut, Oh, wouldst the King were me!  
 Old King Tut was a wise old nut, Come

*Old King Tuts dance (with tom tom)*

where the Yits Yoks play.