

# The First Nowell

♩ = 108 E♭ E♭ Cm B♭ Fm E♭ Gm A♭ E♭ A♭ B♭ 7

1. The first No - well the an - gel did say was to  
 2. They look - ed up and saw a star, shin-ing  
 3. And by the light of that same star, three

6 E♭ Ddim7 E♭ A♭ Ddim E♭ B♭ 7 E♭ B♭ 7

cer - tain poor shep - herds, in fields as they lay, in  
 in the east be yond them far, and  
 ma - gi came from coun - try far; to

10 E♭ Cm B♭ sus B♭ Fm E♭ Gm A♭ E♭ A♭ B♭ 7

fields to seek where the a they earth king lay it was keep - ing their great in - tent, sheep, lights, and on a and to

Words: English carol

Music: William Sandy's Christmas Carols Ancient and Modern, 1833, harmony by John Steainer, 1840-1901

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 Irregular with refrain

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E $\flat$  Ddim7 E $\flat$  A $\flat$  Ddim E $\flat$  B $\flat$ 7 E $\flat$  B $\flat$ 7

cold win - ter's night that was so deep.  
so it con - tin - ued both day and night. No -  
fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.

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E $\flat$  Cm Gm E $\flat$  A $\flat$  E $\flat$  B $\flat$  E $\flat$  A $\flat$  E $\flat$  Ddim E $\flat$  B $\flat$ 7 E $\flat$

-well, No - well, No - well, No - well, born is the king of Is - ra - el.