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# The Jumblies

SSA divisi and piano



## Program Note

*The Jumblies*, a setting of the delightful poem of that name by Edward Lear, was commissioned by the Peninsula Women's Chorus, and conductor Martin Benvenuto in memory of chorister Mary Ager. While I did not have the pleasure of knowing Mary, it is clear that she brought great joy to all whose lives she touched, and I am pleased to dedicate this piece to her. Mary's sister, Lois Hinderlie, offered several wonderful suggestions for texts to set, including this poem. Other members of the chorus also made excellent suggestions. However, when I learned about Mary's deep interest in Victorian literature, even earning a PhD in the subject, I felt that the Lear poem was especially appropriate. The images are imaginative and the whole is charming. Yet, there is a more serious message: the importance of setting out on one's journey without worrying about what others think. In the end, they may well wish they had joined in! Scored for treble chorus and piano, the music closely mirrors the vivid images of the text. It is my hope that Mary, with her inclusive musical taste and zest for singing, would have enjoyed it. For more information, visit [www.judithshatin.com](http://www.judithshatin.com). –JS

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Duration: 5:50

# The Jumblies

Edward Lear

Judith Shatin

Mischievous (♩. = c. 92)

Piano

*mp* *f* *mp*

4 *mf*

S1 They went to sea in a Sieve they did, in a Sieve they went to sea;

S2 They went to sea in a Sieve they did, in a Sieve they went to sea; In

A They went to sea in a Sieve they did, in a Sieve they went to sea; In

Pno. *f* *mf* *sim.* *f*

7

S1 Their friends could say, On a

S2 spite of all their friends could say, On a

A spite of all their friends could say,

Pno. *mf*

10

S1 win - ter's morn, on a stor - my day, In a *mf*

S2 win - ter's morn, on a stor - my day, In a *mf*

A win - ter's morn, stor - my day, In a *mf*

Pno. *f* *mf*

12

S1 Sieve they went to sea! And *mp*

S2 Sieve they went to sea! And *mp*

A Sieve they went to sea! And *mp*

Pno. *p* *cresc.* *f*

14

S1 when the Sieve turned round *f*

S2 when the Sieve turned round, *f*

A when the Sieve turned round, *f*

Pno. *mp* *cresc.* *f*

16 *mf* *f*

S1 And eve - ry one cried, 'You'll all be drowned!'

S2 And eve - ry one cried, 'You'll all be drowned!'

A And eve - ry one cried, 'You'll all be drowned!'

Pno. *mp* *mf* *f*

19 *f*

S1 They called a - loud 'Our

S2 They called a - loud 'Our

A They called a - loud 'Our

Pno. *f*

21 *mf*

S1 Sieve ain't big, But we

S2 Sieve ain't big,

A Sieve ain't big, But we don't care a but - ton,

Pno. *mf*

S1 don't care a fig! *mf* Go to sea!

S2 Don't care a button, In a Sieve we'll go to sea!

A Don't care a fig! Don't care a fig! we'll go to sea!

Pno.

S1 Far and few, *mf* Far and few, *f*

S2 Far and few, *mf* Far and few, *f*

A Far and few, *mf* Far and few, *f*

Pno. *mp* *mf* *f*

S1 Are the lands where the Jum - blies live; Their heads are green, and their

S2 Are the lands where the Jum - blies live; Their heads are green, and their

A Are the lands where the Jum - blies live; Their heads are green, and their

Pno. *p* *mf* *f* *mp*

32 *f* *mf* *f*

S1 hands are blue, And they went to sea, they went to sea, they

S2 hands are blue, And they went to sea, they went to sea, they

A hands are blue, And they went to sea, they went to sea, they

Pno. *mf* *f*

36 *mf* *mf* *mf* *mf*

S1 went to sea in a Sieve. They

S2 went to sea in a Sieve. They

A went to sea in a Sieve. They

Pno. *mf* *p* *mf* *sim.*

39 *f* *f* *f* *f*

S1 sailed a way in a Sieve, they did, In a Sieve they sailed so fast,

S2 sailed a - way in a Sieve, they did, In a Sieve they sailed so fast,

A sailed a - way in a Sieve, they did, in a Sieve they sailed so fast,

Pno. *f*

6  
42 *mp* *mp*

S1 With on - ly a beau - ti - ful

S2 With on - ly a beau - ti - ful

A With on - ly a beau - ti - ful

Pno. *mp*

46 *mf* *mp*

S1 pea - green veil Tied with a ri - band by

S2 pea - green veil ri - band,

A pea - green veil Tied with a ri - band by

Pno. *mf* *mp*

50 *mf* *mf* *mf*

S1 way of a sail, to - bac - co pipe mast;

S2 a sail, To a small to - bac - co pipe mast;

A way of a sail, To a small to - bac - co pipe mast;

Pno. *mf*



54

S1 *mf* who saw them go, 'O *mf*

S2 And eve - ry one said, who saw them go, 'O

A And eve - ry one said, 'O

Pno. *f* *mf* *8va* *mf* *loco*

57

S1 *f* won't they be soon up - set, you know! *mf* For the

S2 *f* won't they be up - set you know! *mf* For the

A *f* won't they be up - set you know!

Pno. *f* *mf*

59

S1 *mf* sky is dark, *f* and the voy age is long, *f*

S2 *f* sky is dark, *mf* and the voy - age is long, *f*

A *mf* < *f* sky is dark, *mf* < *f* voy - age long, *f*

Pno. *f* *mf* *f*

61

S1 *mf* And hap-pen what may, ex-treme<sup>2</sup> - ly

S2 *mf* And hap-pen and hap-pen, and hap-pen what may, it's ex - treme-ly, ex-treme - ly

A *mf* And hap-pen and hap-pen, and hap-pen what may,

Pno. *mf*

64

S1 *f* wrong In a Sieve to sail so Fast!

S2 *f* wrong In a Sieve to sail so Fast!

A *f* ex-treme - ly wrong In a Sieve to sail so Fast!

Pno. *f*

67

S1 *mf* The

S2 *mf* The

A *mf* The

Pno. *p* *f* *mf*

70

S1 wa - ter it soon came in, it did, The wa - ter it soon came

S2 wa - ter it soon came in, it did, The wa - ter it soon came

A wa - ter it soon came in, it did, The wa - ter it soon came

Pno. *sim.*

72

S1 in; So to keep them dry, they wrapped their

S2 in; So to keep them dry, they wrapped their

A in; So to keep them dry, they wrapped their

Pno.

74

S1 feet In a pin - ky pa - per all fol - ded down neat,

S2 feet In a pin - ky pa - per all fol - ded down neat,

A feet In a pin - ky pa - per all fol - ded down neat, And they

Pno.

10  
77

S1  
Fast - ened it down with a pin. And they

S2  
Fast - ened it down with a pin. And they

A  
fast - ened it down with a pin. And they

Pno.

79

S1  
passed the night in a crock - er - y - jar, And each of them said,

S2  
passed the night in a crock - er - y jar, How

A  
passed the night in a crock - er - y jar, And each of them said

Pno.

*mp*

*mp*

*mp*

82

S1  
How wise we are! Though the sky be dark, and the

S2  
wise we are! Though the sky be dark and the

A  
How wise we are! sky be dark

Pno.

*mf* *f*

*mf* *f*

*f* *f*

*mf* *f*

85

S1 vo-yage be long, *mf* We ne-ver can think

S2 vo-yage be long, *mf* Yet we ne-ver can think, *cresc.* ne-ver can think we were

A vo-yage be long, *mf* Yet we ne-ver can think, *cresc.* ne-ver can think we were

Pno. *mf*

88

S1 *f* we were rash or *ff* wrong, *mf* While round, while round in our Sieve we

S2 *ff* rash, we were rash or *ff* wrong, *mf* While round, while round, while round in our Sieve we

A *ff* rash, we were rash or *ff* wrong, were rash or wrong, *mf* While round, while round, while round in our Sieve we

Pno. *cresc.* *f* *mf*

91

S1 *f* spin! C

S2 *f* spin! C

A *f* spin! C

Pno. *f* *mp* *sim.*

12  
94

*mf*

S1 And all night long they sailed a - way; And when the sun went

*mf*

S2 And all night long they sailed a - way; And when the sun went

*mf*

A And all night long they sailed a - way; And when the sun went

*sim.*  
*mf*

Pno.

97

*fp* *sim.*

S1 down, down, down, down,

*fp* *sim.*

S2 down, down, down, down,

*fp* *sim.*

A down, down, down, down,

*sim.*

Pno.

101

*f* Whistle *mf*

S1 and war-bled a moo - <sup>2</sup>ny

*f* *mf*

S2 They whis - tled and war-bled a moo - <sup>2</sup>ny

*f* *mf*

A They whis - tled and war-bled

Pno.

105

S1 *mp*  
 song To the e - cho - ing sound of a cop - per

S2 *mp*  
 song e - cho - ing sound of a cop - per

A *p* *cresc.*  
 e - cho - ing sound, of a cop - per

Pno.

108 *mf* *p*

S1 *mf*  
 gong In the shade of the moun-tains brown. And *p*

S2 *mf*  
 gong, moun-tains brown. And *p*

A *mf*  
 gong in the shade of the moun-tains brown. And *p*

Pno.

112 *cresc.* *mf* *mp*

S1 *cresc.*  
 all night long in the moon - light pale, We sail a -

S2 *cresc.* *mf* *mp*  
 all night long in the moon - light pale, We sail a -

A *cresc.* *mf* *mp*  
 all night long in the moon - light pale, We wail a -

Pno.

S1 *mf*  
way with a pea - green sail, In the shade of the moun - tains

S2 *mf*  
way with a pea - green sail, in the shade of the moun - tains

A *mf*  
way with a pea - green sail, in the shade of the moun - tains

Pno. *mf*

D

Joyful

S1 *p* brown. *mf* They sailed to the Wes - tern Sea, they

S2 *p* brown. *mf* They sailed to the Wes - tern Sea, they

A *p* brown. *mf* They sailed to the Wes - tern Sea, they

Pno. *p* *mf* *f*

S1 *f* did, *mf* To a land all co-vered with trees, *mf* And a

S2 *f* did, *mf* To a land all co-vered with trees, *mf* and a use - ful Cart,

A *f* did, *mf* And they bought an Owl,

Pno. *f* *mf*



128

S1  
pound of Rice,

S2  
and a Cran - ber - ry Tart,

A  
and a Cran - ber - ry Tart, And a

Pno.

131

S1  
hive of sil - ve - ry Bees. And they

S2  
And a hive sil - ve - ry Bees. And they

A  
hive sil - ve - ry Bees. And they

Pno.

*sfmf* *mf*

*f* *mf*

134

S1  
bought a Pig, and some green Jack - daws, And a

S2  
bought a Pig, and some green Jack - daws, And a

A  
bought a Pig, and some green Jack - daws, And a

Pno.

16  
136

S1  
love - ly mon-key with lol - li - pop paws, \_\_\_\_\_ And for - ty bot-tles of Ring - Bo - Ree, \_\_\_\_\_

S2  
love - ly mon-key with lol - li - pop paws, \_\_\_\_\_ And for - ty bot-tles of Ring - Bo - Ree, \_\_\_\_\_

A  
love - ly mon-key with lol - li - pop paws, \_\_\_\_\_ And for - ty bot-tles of Ring - Bo - Ree, \_\_\_\_\_

Pno.

139

S1  
\_\_\_\_\_ And no end of

S2  
\_\_\_\_\_ And no end, And no end of

A  
\_\_\_\_\_ And no end, And no end, And no end of

Pno.

141

S1  
*f* Stil - ton Cheese. E

S2  
*f* Stil - ton Cheese.

A  
*f* Stil - ton Cheese.

Pno.  
*f* E *mp* *sim.*

144 *mf*

S1 And in twen - ty years — they all came back, In

S2 *mf* And in twen - ty years they all came back, In

A *mf* And in twen - ty years they all came back, in

Pno. *mf*

146

S1 twen - ty years or more, 'How

S2 twen - ty years or more, And eve - ry one said, 'How tall they've grown! \_\_\_\_\_

A twen - ty years or more, And eve - ry one said, 'How tall they've grown! \_\_\_\_\_

Pno. *sim.*

148

S1 tall they've grown! For they've been to the Lakes, and <sup>2</sup> the

S2 For they've been to the Lakes, and the <sup>2</sup>

A For they've been to the Lakes, and the <sup>2</sup>

Pno.

S1 Tor - ri - ble Zone, And <sup>2</sup> the hills of <sup>2</sup> the

S2 Tor - ri - ble Zone, And <sup>2</sup> the hills of the

A Tor - ri - ble Zone, And the hills of the

Pno.

154 *cresc.* Chank <sup>2</sup> ly Bore! And they

S2 *cresc.* Chank <sup>2</sup> ly Bore! And they

A *cresc.* Chank <sup>2</sup> ly Bore! And they

Pno. *cresc.*

156 drank their health, and gave them a feast Of

S2 drank their health, and gave them a feast Of

A drank their health, and gave them a feast Of

Pno. *mf*

159

S1  
dump - lings made of beau - ti - ful yeast; And

S2  
dump - lings made of beau - ti - ful yeast;

A  
dump - lings made of beau - ti - ful yeast;

Pno.  
*mf* *sim.* *f* *mf*

162

S1  
eve - ry one, eve - ry one, eve - ry one said, 'If we

S2  
eve - ry one, eve - ry one said, 'If we

A  
eve - ry one said, 'If we

Pno.

164

S1  
on ly live, We too will

S2  
on - ly live, We too will

A  
on - ly live, We too will

Pno.

167

S1 go to Sea in a

S2 go to Sea in a

A go to Sea in a

Pno. *cresc.* *f*

169

S1 Sieve, in a Sieve.

S2 Sieve, in a Sieve.

A Sieve, in a Sieve.

Pno. *ff*