

I
1. There is a valley

In a darkened, indefinite space, Benjamin stands with his three wives.
As the band plays, the wives draw straws from Benjamin's hand.
Edith, drawing the winning straw, dances with Benjamin.

Moderate ♩ = 96

♩ = 44
rit. ♩ = 92

The musical score is arranged in systems for various instruments and voices. The top system includes Flute 1 and 2, Oboe 1 and 2, Clarinet in Bb 1 and 2, Bassoon 1 and 2, Horn in F 1, 2, and 3, Trumpet in Bb 1 and 2, Trombone, Bass Trombone, Tuba, and Drum Set. The middle system includes Piano, Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. The bottom system includes Violin I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The score features dynamic markings such as *pp*, *mp*, *mf*, and *p*, as well as performance instructions like *mute*, *gliss.*, *pizz.*, and *rit.*. The tempo is marked as Moderate with a metronome marking of ♩ = 96, and the piece concludes with a ritardando leading to a tempo of ♩ = 92.

A

a little faster ♩ = 100

Ob. 1 *mp*

D. S. *mp* closed hi hat
p bass snare

Pno. *p*

A

a little faster ♩ = 100

Vln. *mp* solo

Vln. *mp*

Cb. *p* pizz. solo *tutti*

Benjamin shows more straws, holding them out for the wives to draw. Suddenly Ruth appears at Benjamin's side. He takes the wining straw and hands it to her. She and Benjamin dance.

B

♩ = 80

♩ = 40 rit.

C

♩ = 92

A tempo ♩ = 100

Ob. 1 *mp*

Ob. 2 *mp*

Tpt. 1 (mute) *mp* open *mf* (mute) *mf* open

Tbn. *mf* 3 *mp* open

D. S. *mp* *p*

Pno. *mp* *mf* *p*

B

♩ = 80

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C

♩ = 92

A tempo ♩ = 100

Vln. *mf* solo

Vln. *mp* solo

Vla. *mp* arco solo

Vc. *mp* arco solo

Cb. *pizz.* *mp* pizz. solo

Members of the Bowen family appear as they sing.

D

a little slower ♩ = 92

29

rit. *mf* open hi-hat *mp*

D. S.

Pno.

B.

There is a val - ley in my heart, A place where you and

D

a little slower ♩ = 92

tutti

rit. *mp* tutti *mp* tutti *mp* tutti *mp* tutti pizz. *mp*

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.



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mp

D. S.

Pno.

S.

A.

T.

B.

And there's a moun - tain

Will live and love and nev - er part— A place up in the sky.

And there's a moun - tain

I _____

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

45

D. S. *rit.* *slower* $\text{♩} = 88$ *mf* *p* *mp* *mf*

Pno. *p* *pp*

S. up a - bove; We stand up-on it high, And there be-low our life and love— The val - ley in the sky!

A. And there be-low our life and love— The val - ley in the sky!

T. up a - bove; We stand up-on it high, And there be-low our life and love— The val - ley in the sky!

B. And there be-low our life and love— The val - ley in the sky!

Vln. 1 *rit.* *slower* $\text{♩} = 88$ *p* *pp*

Vln. 2 *p* *pp*

Vla. *p* *pp*

Vc. *p* *pp*

Cb. *p* *pp*

$\text{♩} = 24$