

The Cat Came Back

Swing

Harry S. Miller 1893

1 Dm C B \flat A Dm

Old Mis-ter John-son had trou- bles of his own, He had a yel- low

Detailed description: This block contains the first five measures of the song. The music is written on a single treble clef staff in 4/4 time. The notes are: 1. G4 (half), 2. A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), 3. C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), 4. G4 (half), 5. F#4 (half). The lyrics are: 'Old Mis-ter John-son had trou- bles of his own, He had a yel- low'.

6 C B \flat A Dm C

cat that would-n't leave his home, He tried and he tried to

Detailed description: This block contains measures 6-10. The notes are: 6. E4 (half), 7. D4 (half), 8. C4 (half), 9. B3 (half), 10. A3 (half). The lyrics are: 'cat that would-n't leave his home, He tried and he tried to'.

11 B \flat A Dm C B \flat

give the cat a - way, He gave it to a man go - ing far a -

Detailed description: This block contains measures 11-15. The notes are: 11. G4 (half), 12. A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), 13. C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), 14. A4 (quarter), 15. G4 (half). The lyrics are: 'give the cat a - way, He gave it to a man go - ing far a -'.

CHORUS:

16 A Dm C B \flat A

way. But the cat came back, the ve - ry next day, Yes, the

Detailed description: This block contains measures 16-20. The notes are: 16. G4 (half), 17. A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), 18. C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), 19. A4 (quarter), 20. G4 (half). The lyrics are: 'way. But the cat came back, the ve - ry next day, Yes, the'.

21 Dm C B \flat A Dm

cat came back, they thought he was a gon - er, But the cat came

Detailed description: This block contains measures 21-25. The notes are: 21. G4 (half), 22. A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), 23. C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), 24. A4 (quarter), 25. G4 (half). The lyrics are: 'cat came back, they thought he was a gon - er, But the cat came'.

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26 C B \flat A Dm C

back, it just would- n't stay a - way.

31 B \flat A Dm

way.

Now the man around the corner swore he'd kill the cat on sight,
 He loaded up his shotgun with nails and dynamite
 He waited and he waited for the cat to come around,
 Ninety-seven pieces of the man is all they found.

Chorus:

But the cat came back, the very next day,
 Yes, the cat came back, they thought it was a goner,
 But the cat came back, it just wouldn't stay away...

He gave it to a man going up in a balloon,
 Told him he should take it to the Man in the Moon,
 The balloon came down about 90 miles away,
 Where he is now, well, I dare not say. Chorus...

He gave it to a man going way out west,
 Told him he should take it to the one he loved the best,
 First, the train hit the curve, then it jumped the rail,
 Not a soul was left behind to tell the gruesome tale. Chorus...

Away across the ocean he sent the cat at last,
 Vessel only out a day, taking water fast,
 People all began to pray, the boat began to toss,
 A great big gust of wind came by and every soul was lost. Chorus...