

CAGED BIRD

Words and Music by
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Moderately slow

Ab 4fr Gb F

p

The first system of music features a piano introduction. The treble clef staff contains a melodic line starting with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and C5. The bass clef staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with a steady eighth-note bass line. Chord diagrams for Ab (4th fret), Gb, and F are shown above the staff.

Ab 4fr Gb F

The second system continues the piano introduction. The treble clef staff has a melodic line with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, Bb4, and C5. The bass clef staff continues the accompaniment. Chord diagrams for Ab (4th fret), Gb, and F are shown above the staff.

Ab 4fr Gb F

* Right now I feel like a bird

The third system begins the vocal entry. The treble clef staff has a melodic line starting with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and C5. The bass clef staff provides accompaniment. Chord diagrams for Ab (4th fret), Gb, and F are shown above the staff. The lyrics "Right now I feel like a bird" are written below the staff.

Ab 4fr Gb F

caged with - out a key.

The fourth system continues the vocal entry. The treble clef staff has a melodic line starting with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and C5. The bass clef staff provides accompaniment. Chord diagrams for Ab (4th fret), Gb, and F are shown above the staff. The lyrics "caged with - out a key." are written below the staff.

*Vocals written one octave higher than recorded.

Ev - 'ry - one comes to stare at me

3

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with so much joy and rev - er - ie.

Ab 4fr Gb F

They don't know how I feel in - side.

Bbm Ab 4fr Eb/G

Through my smile I cry.

Bbm Ab 4fr Eb/G

Bbm

Ab

Eb/G

They don't know what they're do - ing to me, _____

Bbm

Ab

Eb/G

keep - ing me from _____ fly - ing. That's why I say that

Ab

Gb

F

I know why _____ the caged _____ bird _____ sings. _____

Bbm

Ab

Eb/G

On - ly joy _____ comes from song. _____ 3



She's so rare and beau-ti-ful to oth-ers.



Why not just set her free so she can



fly, fly, fly,



spread-ing her wings and her song? Let her



Musical staff with treble clef, key signature of three flats, and a 4/4 time signature. It contains a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment.

fly,

fly,

fly, _____

the

Piano accompaniment for the first system, featuring a treble and bass clef with various chords and melodic lines.



Musical staff with treble clef, key signature of three flats, and a 4/4 time signature. It contains a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment.

whole

world _____

to _____

see. _____

Piano accompaniment for the second system, featuring a treble and bass clef with various chords and melodic lines.



Piano accompaniment for the third system, featuring a treble and bass clef with various chords and melodic lines.



Musical staff with treble clef, key signature of three flats, and a 4/4 time signature. It contains a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment.

She's _____

like _____

Piano accompaniment for the fourth system, featuring a treble and bass clef with various chords and melodic lines.

F  Ab  G⁷ 




a caged _____ bird. Fly, _____ fly. _____




F  Ab  Gb 

_____ Ooh, _ just let her fly, _ just let her fly, just let her



F  Ab  Gb 

fly, _____ spread _____ her wings, spread beau -



Fmaj7 

_____ ty, _____ mm.

