

The first Nowell

(The first Noell/The First Noël)

Englisches Weihnachtslied

Melodie und Text: traditionell





The first No- well the an- gels did say, was to cer- tain poor
 shep- herds in fields as they lay; In fields where they lay, keep- ing their
 sheep, On a cold win- ter's night that was so deep: No- well, No-
 well, No- well, No- well, Bom is the King of Is- ra- el.

1. The first Nowell the angel did say
 was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
 in fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,
 on a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Refrain: Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
 born is the King of Israel.

3. And by the light of that same star
 three wise men came from country far;
 to seek for a king was their intent,
 and to follow the star wherever it went.
 -Refrain-

5. Then entered in those wise men three
 full reverently upon their knee,
 and offered there in his presence
 their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense.
 -Refrain-

2. They looked up and saw a star
 shining in the east beyond them far,
 and to the earth it gave great light,
 and so it continued both day and night.
 -Refrain-

4. This star drew nigh to the northwest,
 o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
 and there it did both stop and stay
 right over the place where Jesus lay.
 -Refrain-

6. Then let us all with one accord
 sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
 that hath made heaven and earth of nought,
 and with his blood mankind hath bought.
 -Refrain-