

# We Three Kings of Orient are

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Bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a - far Field and

10 foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.

*ff*

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Detailed description: This is a musical score for the hymn 'We Three Kings of Orient are'. It is written for voice and piano in 3/8 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The score is divided into four systems. The first system (measures 1-4) begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic and the lyrics '1. We three kings of O - rient are;'. The second system (measures 5-8) continues with 'Bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a - far Field and'. The third system (measures 9-12) contains '10 foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.'. The fourth system (measures 13-16) starts with a fortissimo (*ff*) dynamic for the first part and returns to mezzo-forte (*mf*) for the final part, with lyrics '16 O Star of won - der, star of night, Star with'. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

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roy - al beau - ty bright, West - ward lead - ing,

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still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to Thy per - fect light.

**2. Melchior.**

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
 Gold I bring, to crown Him again,  
 King for ever, ceasing never,  
 Over us all to reign.

*O Star of wonder, star of night,  
 Star with royal beauty bright,  
 Westward leading, still proceeding,  
 Guide us to Thy perfect light.*

**3. Caspar.**

Frankincense to offer have I,  
 Incense owns a Deity nigh.  
 Prayer and praising, all men raising,  
 Worship Him, God most High.

**4. Balthazar.**

Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume  
 Breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
 Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,  
 Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

**5. Glorious now behold Him arise,  
 King and God and sacrifice,  
 Alleluia, Alleluia;  
 Earth to the heavens replies.**