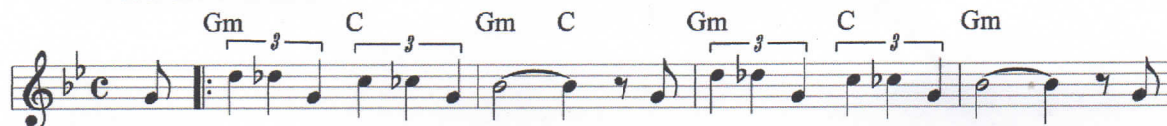


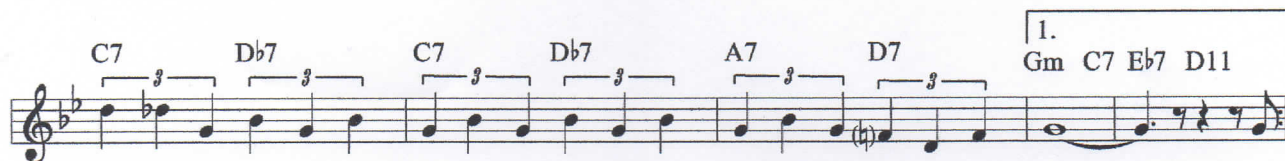
IT AIN'T NECESSARILY SO

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Moderato Scherzoso



1. It ain't nec- es - sar - i - ly so, — it ain't nec- es - sar - i - ly so, — De
2. Da-vid was small, but, oh my! — Li'l Da-vid was small, but, oh my! — He



t'ings dat yo' li' - ble to read in de Bi - ble, it ain't nec - es - sar - i - ly so. — Li'l
fought big Go - li - ath who lay down an' di - eth! Li'l Da - vid was small, but, oh



my! Wa - doo, — wa - doo, — zim bam bod - dle - oo, zim bam bod - dle - oo,



hoo - dle ah da wa da, hoo - dle ah da wa da, scat - ty wah. — Scat - ty wah. — Yeah! Oh



Jo - nah, he lived in de whale, oh, Jo - nah, he lived in de whale, — fo' he made his home in dat
Mo - ses was found in a stream, Li'l Mo - ses was found in a stream. — He float - ed on wa - ter till



fish - 's ab - do - men. Oh, Jo - nah, he lived in de whale. — Li'l
ole Phar - aoh's daugh - ter, she fished him, she says, from that stream.

Allegro giocoso

Wa - doo, — wa - doo, — zim bam bod-dle - oo, zim bam bod-dle - oo, hoo-dle ah da wa da,

hoo-dle ah da wa da, scat - ty wah. — Scat - ty wah. — Yeah! It ain't nec - es - sar - i - ly

so, it ain't nec - es - sar - i - ly so. Dey tell all you chil-lun de deb-ble's a vil-lun, but

t'ain't nec - es - sar - i - ly so. — To get in - to Heb-ben don' snap for a seb-ben! Live clean! Don' have no

fault. Oh, I takes dat gos-pel when - ev - er it's pos'-ble, but wid a grain of salt. Me - thus' - la lived nine hun-dred

years, Me - thus' - la lived nine hun-dred years. But who calls dat liv - in when no gal 'll give in to

no man what's nine hun-dred years? — I'm preach-in' dis ser-mon to show, — it ain't nes - sa, ain' nes - sa,

ain't nes - sa, ain't nes - sa, ain't nec - es - sar - i - ly so. —