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-revised-

Arrangement for voice, symphony orchestra and rhythm section by

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1. Just Once In My Life

Moderato ♩ = 92

The musical score is arranged for a large ensemble. The instruments include Flutes 1 & 2, Oboes 1 & 2, Clarinets 1 & 2, Bassoons 1 & 2, Horns 1 & 2, Trumpets 1 & 2, Trombones 1 & 2, Timpani, Suspended Cymbal, Snare Drum, Tambourine, Glockenspiel, Vibraphone, Harp, Piano, Electric Guitar, Drums, Electric Bass, Lead Vocal, Baritone Vocal, Violin I & II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The score is in 4/4 time with a tempo of Moderato (♩ = 92). The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The vocal line includes the lyrics: "There's a lot of things I want, a lot of things that I'd like to be. But girl, I don't for-see a rags-to-ri-ches sto-ry\_ for\_ me. There's just one lit-tle dream I've". The score includes dynamic markings such as *mf* and *f*, and various musical notations like slurs, ties, and triplets.

11

Cl. 1  
Cl. 2  
Bsn. 1  
Bsn. 2  
Hn. 1  
Tamb.  
Vib.  
Hp.  
Pno.  
E. Gtr.  
Dr.  
E. Bass  
Lead  
B. Vc.  
Vln. I  
Vln. II  
Vla.  
Vc.  
Cb.

*f* *mp* *sim.*  
*f* *mp* *sim.*  
*f* *mp* *sim.*  
*mf* *f* *mp* *sim.*  
*f*  
*f*  
*f*  
*f*  
B $\flat$  A $\flat$  B $\flat$  Dm $^7$  C $^{\text{maj}}$  Dm $^7$   
B $\flat$  A $\flat$  B $\flat$  Dm $^7$  C $^{\text{maj}}$  Dm $^7$   
*f*  
*f*  
*f*  
*f*  
*f*  
got to make come true; There's just one round I've got-ta win, I can't be a lo-ser with you. And ba-by, ba-by, it's once in my life, let me get what I want, Girl, don't let me down!  
It's once in my life, let me get what I want, Girl, don't let me down!  
*f*  
*f*  
*f*  
*f*  
pizz.  
*f*

19

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Tamb.

Vib.

Hp.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

B. Vc.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Just once in my life, let me hold on to one good thing I found! Don't let me down! Ba-by, say that you'll be stay-in', Cause I

*C<sup>maj7</sup>* *Dm<sup>7</sup>* *G<sup>7</sup>* *Dm<sup>7</sup>* *mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

**A**

26

Fl. 1 *mf* *mf* *f* *mf* *mf* *f*

Fl. 2 *mf* *mf* *f* *mf* *mf* *f*

Ob. 1 *mf*

Cl. 1 *mf*

Cl. 2 *mf*

Bsn. 1 *mf*

Tpt. 1 *mf* *f* *p* *mf* *f*  
con sord.

Tamb. *mf*

Vib. *mf*

Hp. *f*

Pno. *mf*  
Dm7 Cmaj7 Dm7 Cmaj7

E. Gtr. *mf*  
Dm7 Cmaj7 Dm7 Cmaj7

Dr. *mf*

E. Bass *mf*

Lead  
could-n't face the day if you were-n't here by my side. And if you went a-way then I'd be left with-out a - ny pride. I've

Vln. I *mp* *f* *mp* *f*  
div.

Vln. II *mp*  
div.

Vla. *mp*  
div.

34

Fl. 1 *mf* *f* *mp* *f espr.*

Fl. 2 *mf* *f* *mp* *f* *mp*

Ob. 1 *f* *mp* *f* *mp*

Cl. 1 *f* *mp sim.*

Cl. 2 *f* *mp sim.*

Bsn. 1 *f* *mp sim.*

Bsn. 2 *mf* *f* *mp sim.*

Hn. 1 *f*

Tpt. 1 *p* *mf* *f* *mp* *f espr.*

Tamb. *f*

Vib. *f*

Hp. *f*

Pno. *f*

E. Gtr. *f*

Dr. *f*

E. Bass *f*

Lead  
gi ven up on schemes,'cause all of them fell through, I've gi ven up so ma ny things,don't ask me to give up on you. And ba - by, ba - by, it's once in my life, let me

B. Vc. *f*  
It's once in my life, let me

Vln. I *mf* *f* *unis. 6* *div. 6* *espressivo*

Vln. II *mf* *f* *unis.* *div.*

Vla. *mf* *f* *unis.*

Vc. *mf* *f* *div.*

Cb. *f*

41

Fl. 1

Fl. 2 *sim.*

Ob. 1 *sim.*

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Tpt. 1

Tamb.

Vib.

Hp.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

B. Vc.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

get what I want, Girl, don't let me down! Just once in my life, let me hold on to one good thing I found! Don't let me down!

get what I want, Girl, don't let me down! Just once in my life, let me hold on to one good thing I found! Don't let me down!

*Dm<sup>7</sup>* *Cmaj<sup>7</sup>* *Dm<sup>7</sup>* *G<sup>7</sup>*

*Dm<sup>7</sup>* *Cmaj<sup>7</sup>* *Dm<sup>7</sup>* *G<sup>7</sup>*

2

**B**

48

Vib. *mf*

Hp. *mf*

Pno. *mf*

E. Gtr. *mf* Dm7 C F C

Dr. *mf*

E. Bass *mf*

Lead  
Ba - by, say that you'll be stay - in'. That old pot of gold ain't so

Vln. I *pp* *mf* *pp* unis. sul tasto (sons filés)

Vln. II *pp* *mf* *pp* sul tasto (sons filés)

Vla. *pp* *mf* *pp* sul tasto (sons filés)

Vc. *pp* *mf* *pp* sul tasto (sons filés)



54

Tamb. *mf*

Vib.

Hp.

Pno. F C F

E. Gtr. F C F

Dr. *p* 6 6 6 *f*

E. Bass *f*

Lead  
ea - sy to find, But if you stand by me, I'll keep my peace of mind. I can't

Vln. I *sim.*

Vln. II *sim.*

Vla. *sim.*

Vc. *sim.*



60

Fl. 1 *f*

Fl. 2 *f*

Ob. 1 *f*

Ob. 2 *f*

Cl. 1 *f*

Cl. 2 *f*

Bsn. 1 *f*

Bsn. 2 *f*

Hn. 1 *f*

Tpt. 1 *f*

Timp. *mf* *f*

Tamb.

Pno. *f sub.*

E. Gr. *f sub.*

Dr. *f*

E. Bass

Lead

ord. div. *f sub.*

Vln. I *f sub.*

Vln. II *f sub.* unis.

Vla. *f sub.*

Vc. *f sub.*

Cb. *f* arco

give you the world, but I, I'll work hard for you, girl. I'll work hard, all my life. So ba - by, please don't leave me, just do this for me.

C

69

Fl. 1 *espressivo*

Fl. 2 *mp sim.*

Ob. 1 *mp sim.*

Ob. 2 *mp sim.*

Cl. 1 *mp sim.*

Cl. 2 *mp sim.*

Bsn. 1 *mp sim.*

Bsn. 2 *mp sim.*

Hn. 1

Tpt. 1 *espressivo*

Timp.

Tamb.

Vib.

Hp.

Pno. *Cmaj7* *Dm7*

E. Gtr. *Cmaj7* *Dm7*

Dr. *3*

E. Bass

Lead  
Once in my life, let me get what I want, Girl, don't let me down! Just

B. Vc.  
Once in my life, let me get what I want, Girl, don't let me down! Just

Vln. I *espressivo*

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc. *pizz.*

Cb.

73 rit.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Tpt. 1 via sord.

Tamb.

Vib.

Hp.

Pno.

E. Gtr. *C*maj7 Dm7 G7 Dm7

Dr. 2 *mf*

E. Bass *mf*

Lead

B. Vc.

Vln. I unis. pizz. *mf*

Vln. II pizz.

Vla. pizz.

Vc. unis. pizz. *mf*

Cb.

once in my life, let me hold on to one good thing I found! Don't let me down! Ba-by, say that you'll be stay - in'.

once in my life, let me hold on to one good thing I found! Don't let me down!

**D**

**2. River Deep, Mountain High**

Fast pop-rock feel ♩ = 160

81

Fl. 1 *mf*

Fl. 2 *mf*

Cl. 1 *mf*

Cl. 2 *mf*

Bsn. 1 *mf* *p*

Bsn. 2 *mf*

Hn. 1 *mf*

Tbn. 1 *mf* *p*

Tbn. 2 *mf* *p*

Shk. *mf*

Tamb. *mf*

Pno. *mf* ritmico, non legato

E. Gtr. *F#* *C#*

Dr. **2**

E. Bass *f* *F#* *C#*

Lead

When I was a lit-tle girl— I had a rag doll— On-ly doll— I've e-ver owned

Vln. I *arco* *mf*

Vln. II *arco* *mf*

Cb. *f*

92

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Shk.

Tamb.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

Vln. I

Vln. II

Now I love you just the way— I loved that rag doll. But on-ly now— my love has grown And it gets strong - er, in e-v'ry way

102

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Shk.

Tamb.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

Vln. I

Vln. II

And it gets deep - er, let me say— And it gets high - er, day by day— And do I

113

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Shk.

Tamb.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

love you my oh my— Yeah ri - ver deep— moun-tain high— Yeah, yeah, — if I lost— you would I cry—

*f*

*sim.*

*arco*

*f*

*unis.*

*div.*

123

Fl. 1 *gliss.* **E**

Fl. 2 *gliss.*

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Cl. 1 *gliss.*

Cl. 2 *gliss.*

Bsn. 1 *mf* *p*

Bsn. 2 *mf*

Hn. 1 *mf*

Hn. 2 *mf*

Tpt. 1 *gliss.*

Tpt. 2 *gliss.*

Tbn. 1 *mf* *p*

Tbn. 2 *mf* *p*

Shk. *mf*

Tamb. *mf*

Pno. *mf*

E. Gtr. *mf*

Dr.

E. Bass *mf*

Lead

Vln. I *div.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *mf*

Vln. II *div.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *mf*

Vla. *div.* *mf*

Vc. *unis.* *mf*

Cb. *pizz.* *f*

Oh how I love you ba - by, ba - by, ba - by, ba - by. When you were a young boy Did you have a



134

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn. 1

Shk.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

pup py — That al-ways fol-lowed you a - round Well I'm gon - na be as faith-ful as that pup py —

143

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Shk.

Tamb.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

No I'll ne-ver let you down Cause it grows strong - er, like a ri-ver flows And it gets big-ger, ba-by, and hea-ven knows

153

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Shk.

Tamb.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

*f*

*arco*

*div.*

*f*

*unis.*

And it gets swee-ter, ba-by, as it grows And do I love you my oh my Yeah

163

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Shk.

Tamb.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

ri - ver deep\_ moun-tain high\_ Yeah, yeah, if I lost\_you would I cry\_ Oh how I love you ba - by,

173

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Susp. Cym.

Shk.

Tamb.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

gliss.

**F**

roll (soft heavy marimba mallets)  
z z z z z z  
gently waving between *p* and *mp*

*mf*

unis. pizz.  
*mf*

pizz.  
*mf*

unis. pizz.  
*mf*

ba - by, ba - by, ba - by...  
I love you ba - by like a flo-wer loves the spring...

+ hand claps or finger snaps on afterbeats → meas. 195

184

Susp. Cym. *z*

Shk. *z*

Dr. *mf*

E. Bass

Lead  
And I love you ba - by like a Ro-bin loves to sing \_\_\_\_\_ And I love you ba - by like a school boy loves his pet \_\_\_\_\_ And I love you ba - by, ri-ver deep

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

194 **G**

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1 *f*

Cl. 1 *f*

Cl. 2 *f*

Bsn. 1 *f*

Bsn. 2 *f*

Hn. 1 *f*

Hn. 2 *f*

Tpt. 1 *f*

Tpt. 2 *f*

Tbn. 1 *f*

Tbn. 2 *f*

Susp. Cym. *z* let ring

Shk. *f*

Tamb. *f*

E. Gtr. *Bb7*

Dr. *f*

E. Bass

Lead  
moun-tain high \_\_\_\_\_ Oh \_\_\_\_\_ yeah  
exclaiming ad lib. -> meas. 208

Vln. I *f* unis. (arco) div.

Vln. II *f* arco

Vla. *f* arco

Vc. *f* arco

H

204

Fl. 1 *ff*

Fl. 2 *ff*

Ob. 1 *ff*

Ob. 2 *f* *ff*

Cl. 1 *ff* *ff*

Cl. 2 *ff* *ff*

Bsn. 1 *ff* *ff*

Bsn. 2 *ff* *ff*

Hn. 1 *ff*

Hn. 2 *ff* *ff*

Tpt. 1 *ff*

Tpt. 2 *ff*

Tbn. 1 *ff*

Tbn. 2 *ff*

Shk. *ff*

Tamb. *ff*

Pno. *Bb7* *ff* *Ab* *Bb*

E. Gtr. *ff* *Ab* *Bb*

Dr. *ff*

E. Bass *ff* *Ab* *Bb*

Lead  
do I love you my oh my — Yeah ri - ver deep — moun-tain high

Vln. I *ff* unis. div.

Vln. II *ff* div. unis. div.

Vla. *ff* *ff*

Vc. *ff* *ff* div.

Cb. *f* *ff* *ff*

214

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Shk.

Tamb.

Pno.

E. Gtr.

Dr.

E. Bass

Lead

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Yeah, yeah, if I lost you would I cry Oh

sim.

sim.

sim.

sim.

Ab

Ab

Ab

unis.

div.

unis.

unis.

div.

unis.



220

Fl. 1 *gliss.* *fff*

Fl. 2 *gliss.* *fff*

Ob. 1 *fff*

Cl. 1 *gliss.* *fff*

Cl. 2 *gliss.* *fff*

Bsn. 1 *fff*

Bsn. 2 *fff*

Hn. 1 *fff*

Hn. 2 *fff*

Tpt. 1 *gliss.* *fff*

Tpt. 2 *gliss.* *fff*

Tbn. 1 *fff*

Shk. / Tamb.

Pno. *fff*

E. Gtr. *fff*

Dr.

E. Bass *fff*

Lead  
how I love you ba - by, ba - by, ba - by,

Vln. I *gliss.* *gliss.* *unis. pizz.* *fff*

Vln. II *gliss.* *gliss.* *unis. pizz.* *fff*

Vla. *pizz.* *fff*

Vc. *unis. pizz.* *fff*

Cb. *pizz.* *f* *fff*