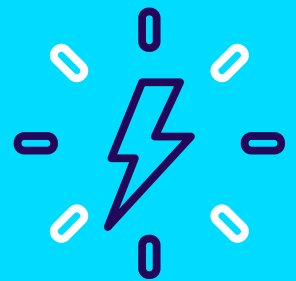


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Don't Judge a Book song lyrics and score



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Don't Judge a Book song lyrics

Don't judge a book because of its cover.
Don't judge a book because of its colour.
Do something good for you and each other,
and live in peace forever.

Don't judge a book because of its cover.
Don't judge a book because of its colour.
Do something good for you and each other,
and live in peace forever.

Pages of kindness.
Titles of trust.
Glossary of goodness.
Chapters of justice.
Words of Worship.
Pictures of hope.
Socialising sentences.
Welcome us in!

Don't judge a book because of its cover.
Don't judge a book because of its colour.
Do something good for you and each other,
and live in peace forever.

Country of kinship.
City of care.
Family of goodwill.
Township of patience.
Lands of listening.
Village of dreams.
Citizens of empathy.
Welcome us in!

Reach out in harmony to all our friends.
One global family.
Spread love again.

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Do something good for you and each other,
and live in peace forever.

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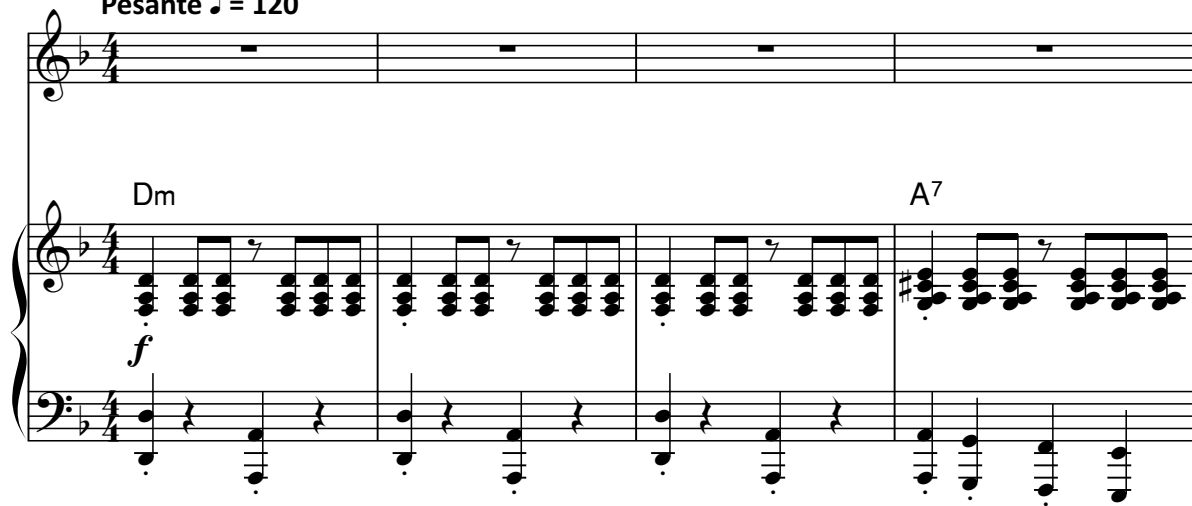
Don't Judge A Book

Words and Music

All Saints Catholic Primary School

intro

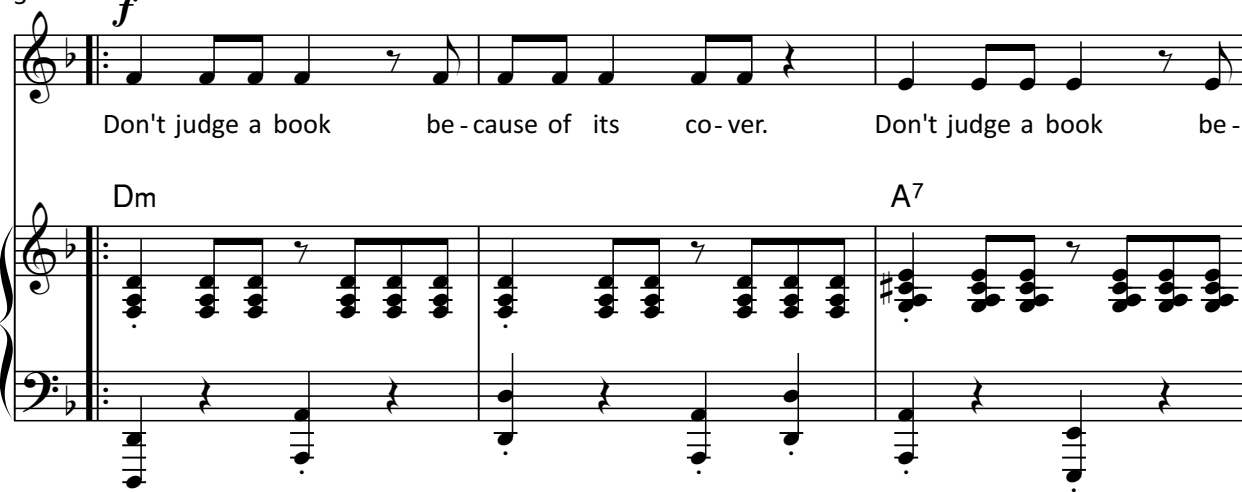
Pesante ♩ = 120



Musical score for the introduction. It consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (grand staff). The key signature has one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4. The tempo is marked 'Pesante' with a quarter note equal to 120 beats. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. Chords are labeled as Dm and A7.

Chorus

5

f

Musical score for the first part of the chorus. It includes a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano part continues with the same accompaniment as the intro, with chords Dm and A7. The lyrics are: "Don't judge a book be-cause of its co-ver. Don't judge a book be-".


8



Musical score for the second part of the chorus. It includes a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano part continues with the same accompaniment, with chords Dm and F. The lyrics are: "cause of its co-lour. Do some-thing good for you and each oth-er, and".

2

11 link




live in peace for - ev - er.

G⁷ A⁷ Dm Dm

Verse 1

15 *mf*




Pa - ges of kind - ness.

D⁷ Gm

mf

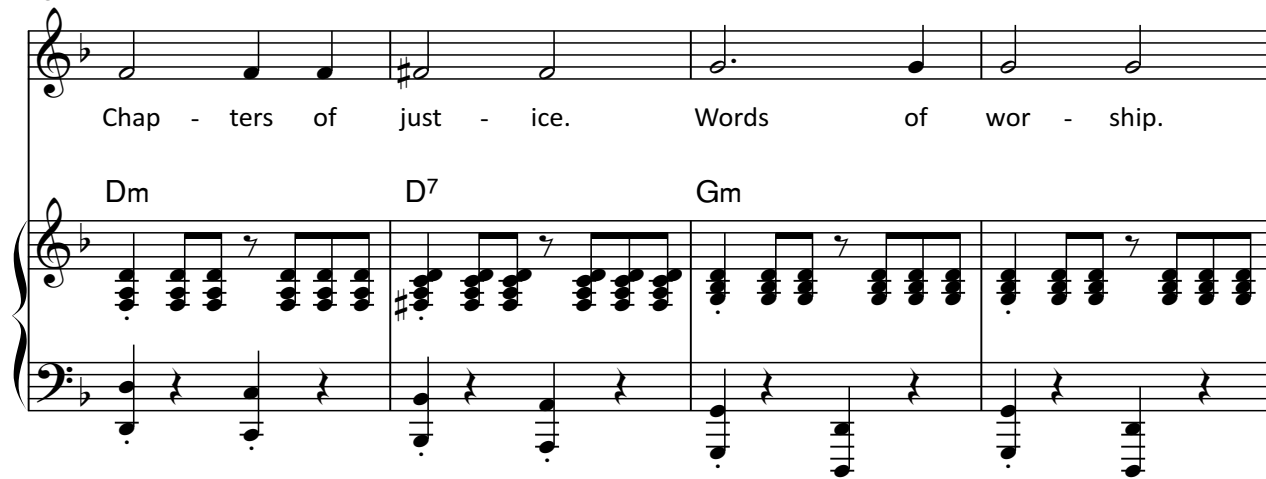
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Ti - tles of trust. Glos - sa - ry of good - ness.

Dm A⁷

23

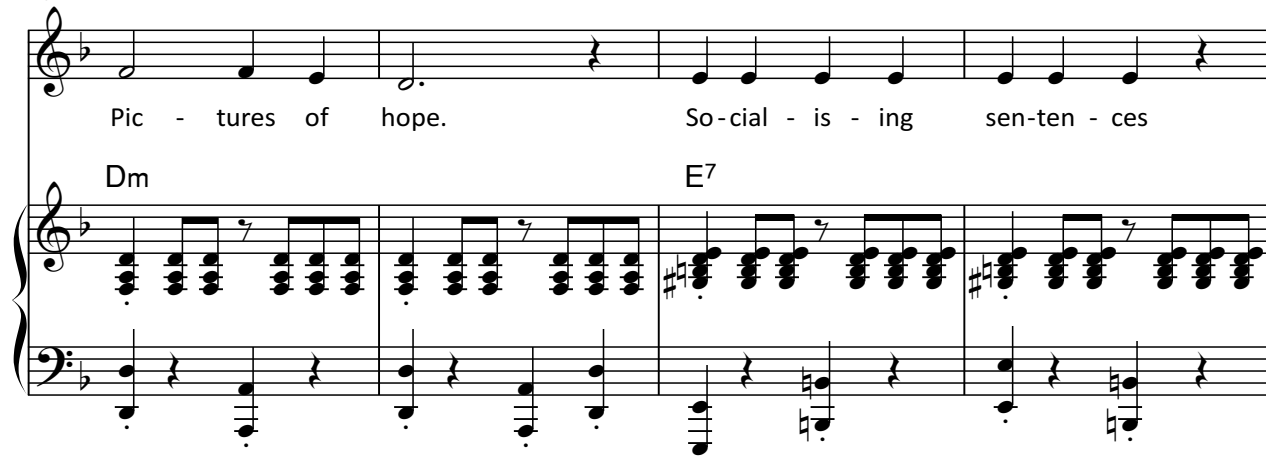


Chap - ters of just - ice. Words of wor - ship.

Dm D7 Gm

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 23 to 26. It features a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are 'Chap - ters of just - ice. Words of wor - ship.' The piano accompaniment includes chords Dm, D7, and Gm. The piano part consists of a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand.

27



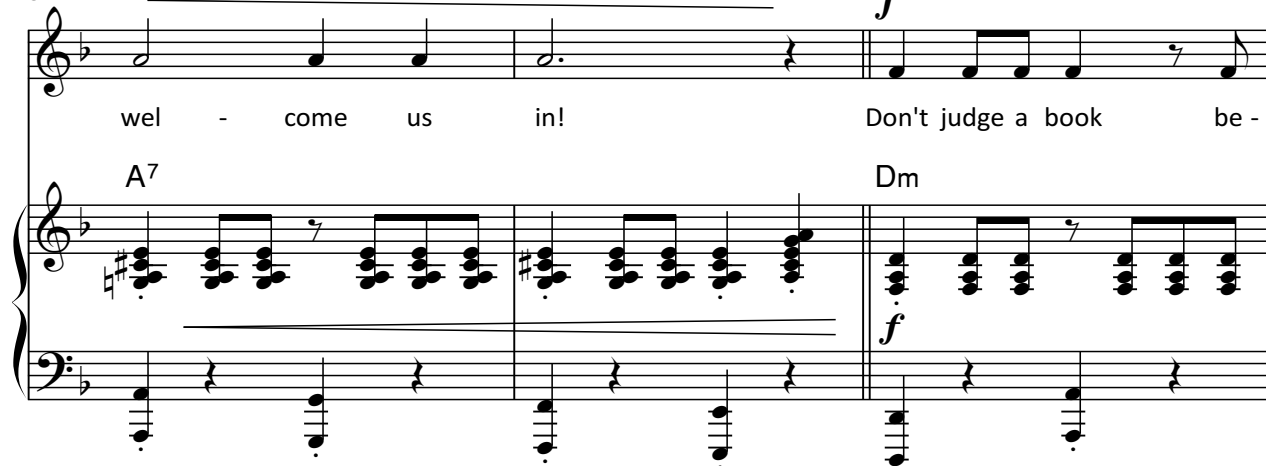
Pic - tures of hope. So - cial - is - ing sen - ten - ces

Dm E7

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 27 to 30. It features a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the grand staff. The key signature has one flat. The lyrics are 'Pic - tures of hope. So - cial - is - ing sen - ten - ces'. The piano accompaniment includes chords Dm and E7. The piano part consists of a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand.

Chorus 2

31



wel - come us in! Don't judge a book be -

A7 Dm

f

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 31 to 34, which form the start of 'Chorus 2'. It features a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the grand staff. The key signature has one flat. The lyrics are 'wel - come us in! Don't judge a book be -'. The piano accompaniment includes chords A7 and Dm. The piano part consists of a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. A dynamic marking of *f* (forte) is present in the piano part.

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34

cause of its co-ver. Don't judge a book be - cause of its co-lour.

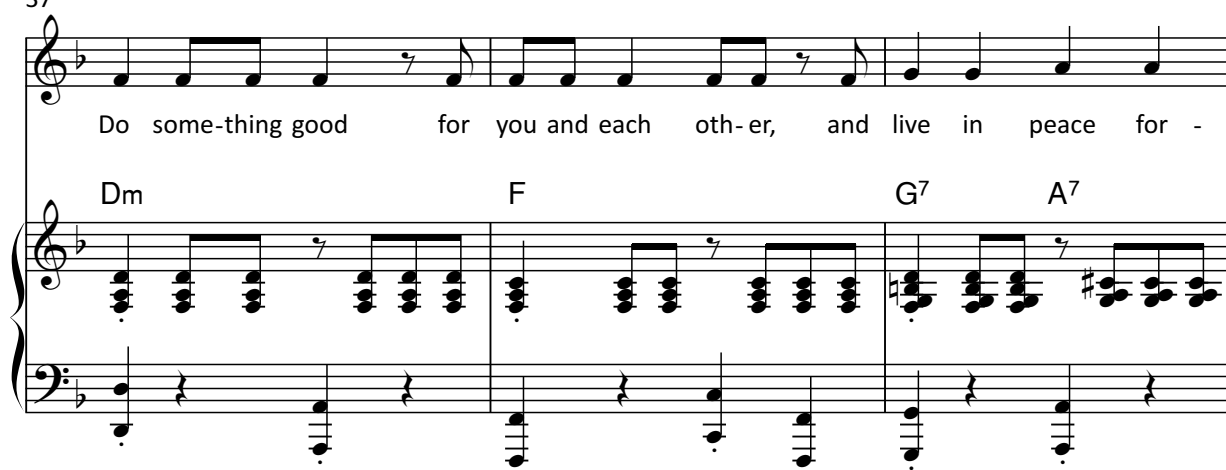
A⁷



37

Do some-thing good for you and each oth-er, and live in peace for -

Dm F G⁷ A⁷

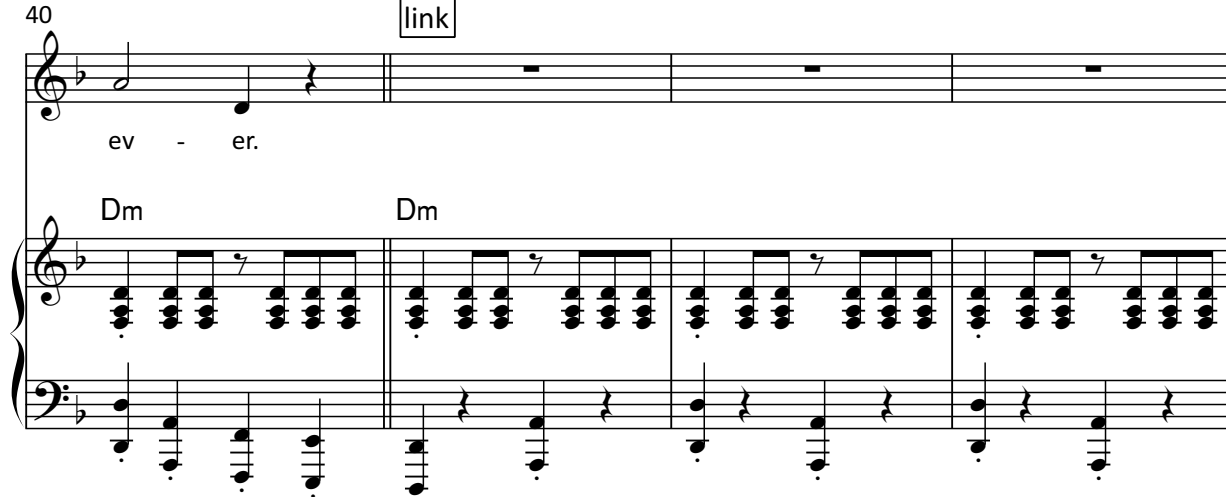


40

ev - er.

link

Dm Dm



Verse 2

44 *mp*

Coun - try of kin - ship. Ci - ty of

D7 Gm Dm

mf

48

care. Fam - i - ly of good - will. Town - ship of

A7 Dm

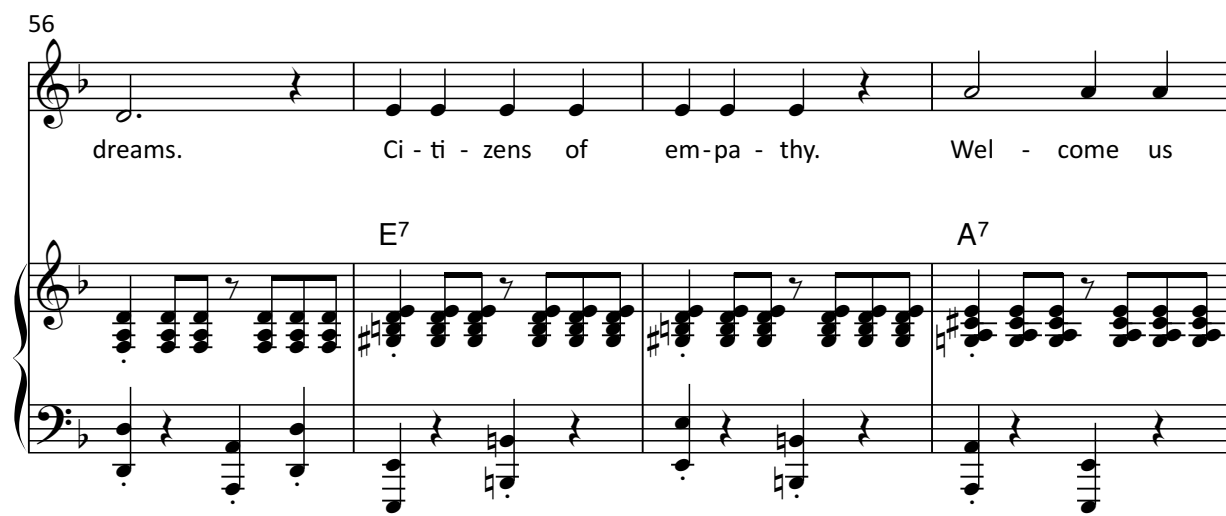
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pa - tience. Lands of lis - ten - ing. Vil - lage of

D7 Gm Dm

6

56



dreams. Ci - ti - zens of em - pa - thy. Wel - come us

E⁷ A⁷

Bridge

60



in! Reach out in har - mo - ny

C⁷ F C

mf

64



to all our friends. One glo - bal fa - mi - ly.

F C F C

68

Spread love a - gain.

E7 A7

71

Instrumental

Dm A7

f

75

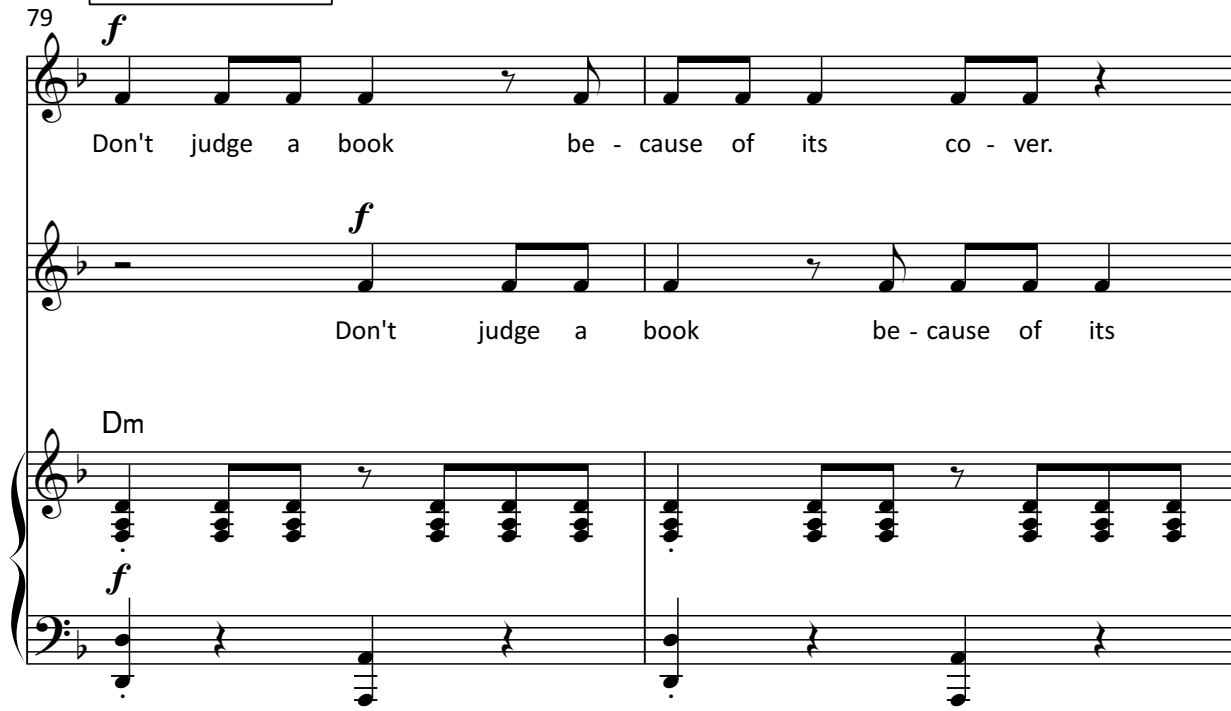
Dm E7 A7 Dm

8

Final Chrous

79

f



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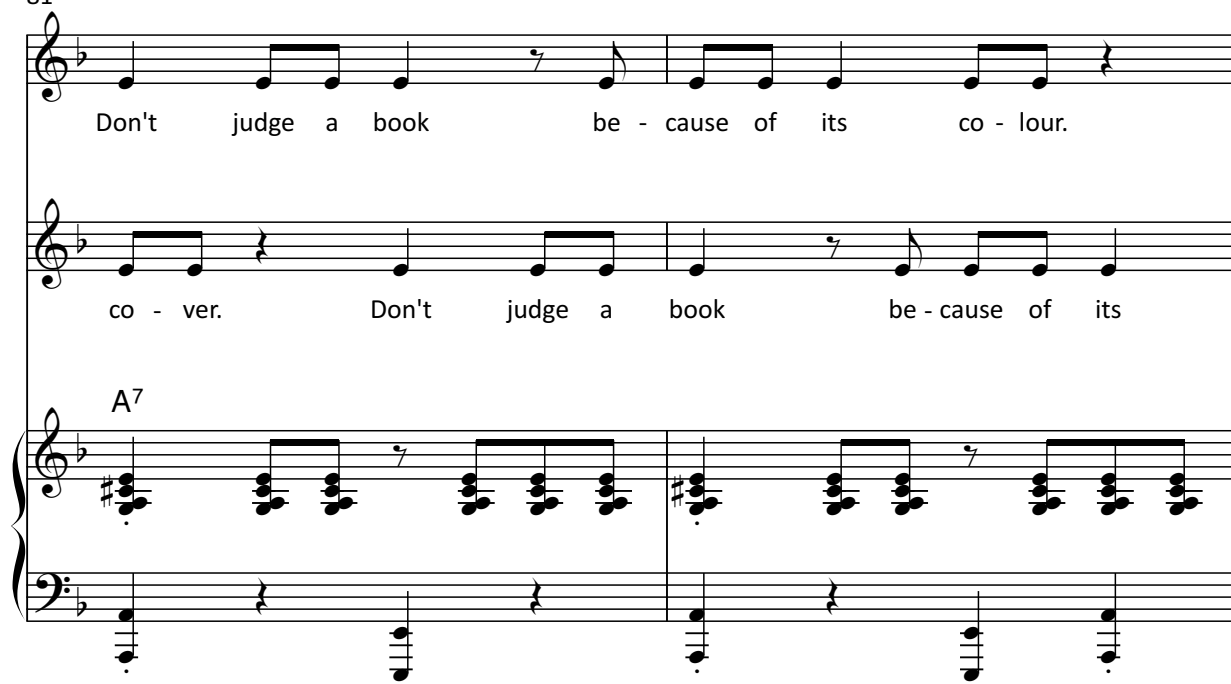
f

Don't judge a book be - cause of its

Dm

f

81

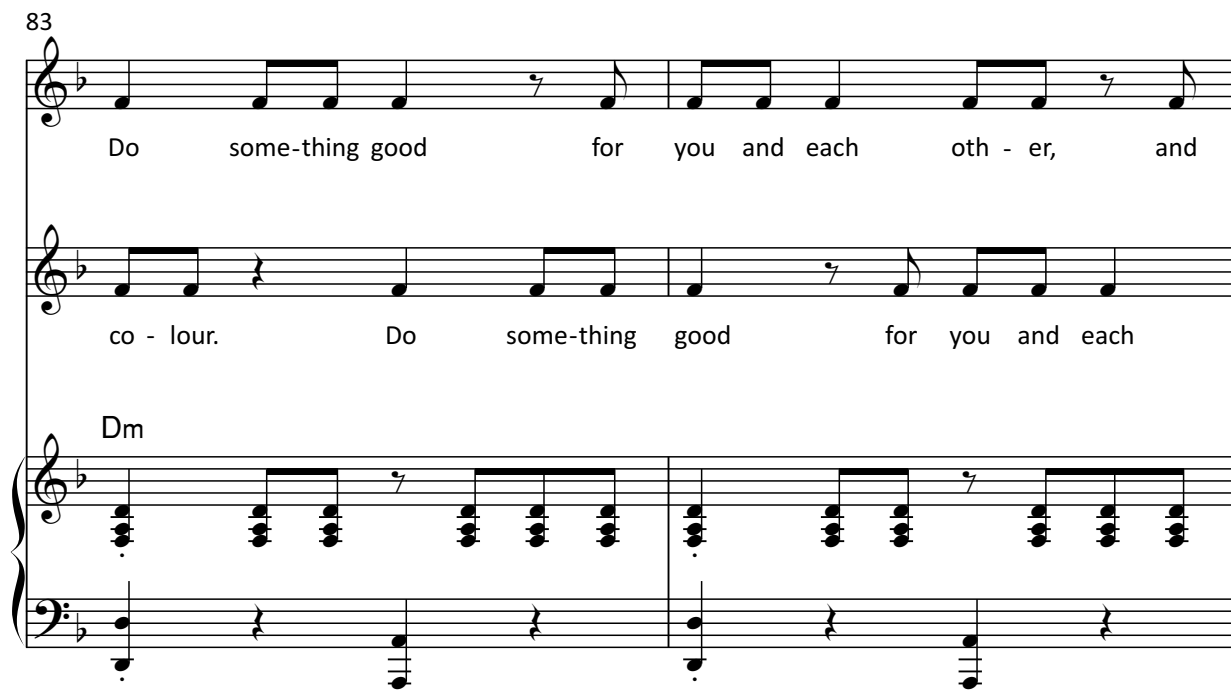


Don't judge a book be - cause of its co - lour.

co - ver. Don't judge a book be - cause of its

A⁷

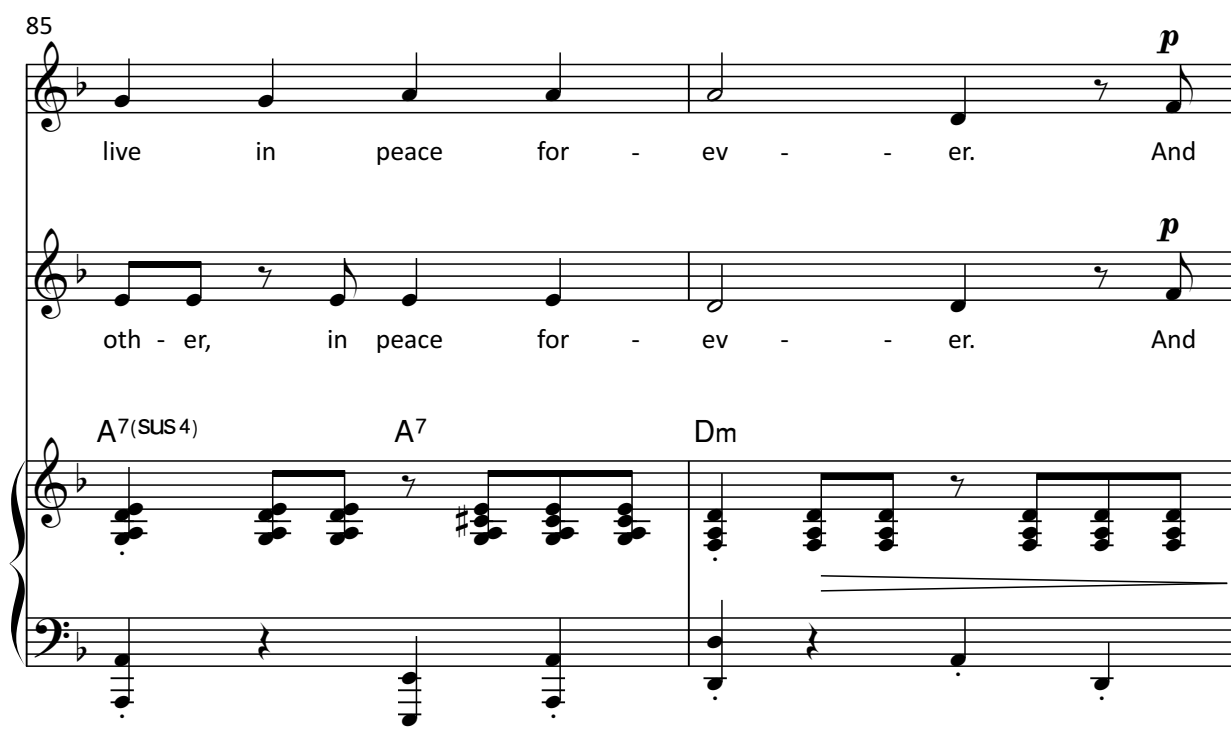
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Do some-thing good for you and each oth - er, and
co - lour. Do some-thing good for you and each

Dm

85



live in peace for - ev - - er. And *p*
oth - er, in peace for - ev - - er. And *p*

A⁷(SUS⁴) A⁷ Dm

10

87

live in peace for - ev - er. And live in

live in peace for - ev - er. And live in

G7 A7 Dm G7

p

90

peace for - ev - er!

peace for - ev - er!

A7 Dm

f

Background of Don't Judge a Book

Composed by Year 6 pupils at All Saints Catholic Primary School, Anfield, in Liverpool.

All Saints Catholic Primary School is one of four schools partnering with Liverpool Philharmonic to deliver In Harmony Liverpool. Now in its fourteenth year, this project uses orchestral music-making to improve the life chances of children with the greatest needs and fewest resources. Music is embedded in the school, and creativity is at the heart of the curriculum.

The curriculum and ethos at All Saints Catholic Primary School also place great emphasis on the application of learning in real-life contexts, for example, within the wider community. Pupils are encouraged to reach out to others to share their learning and support the common good.

Don't Judge a Book is a great example of pupils coming together to write lyrics that deal with the personal, social, health and emotional aspects of the curriculum: self-image, the judging of people, discrimination and hatred. They also wanted to recognise the dangers of the conflict in Ukraine and how communities should live in peace.

The pupils came up with the interesting concept of books and reading – hence the use of words such as 'pages', 'chapters' and 'sentences' in the song. They decided on a melody and rhythm, and their head teacher turned this into a series of chord patterns.

Next, they met with Tim Jackson, composer and Principal Horn with the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra, who provided tips and guidance. They went back and built a structure to the song, and added a third section – known as a 'bridge'. From a piano and vocal demo, Tim was able to add instrumentation and harmonies.

The whole process captures the aims and mission of both the school and the In Harmony project. The pupils have combined their developing skills and knowledge to create something that has value for their community, their city – and maybe even the world!

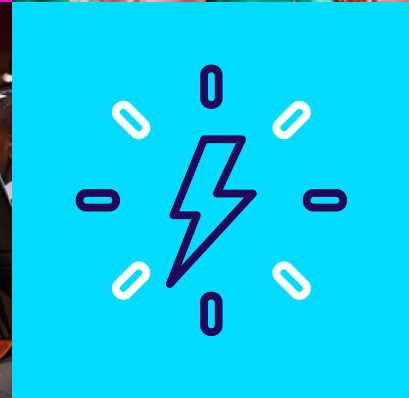
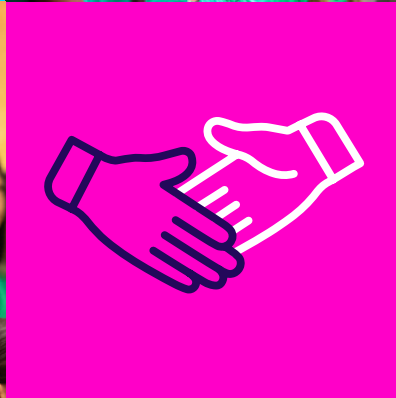
Without the strong partnership between the school and Liverpool Philharmonic, it's unlikely this would have been possible. But with it, as this song so clearly demonstrates, anything is possible.

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