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# Two Songs

for SATB Chorus and Piano

## 1. spring!

E. E. Cummings\*

Gwyneth Walker

At a playful and relaxed tempo

Piano

*p* left hand tap piano ledge

4 *poco accel.*

*poco cresc.*

8 *mf* Joyfully ♩ = 160

S it's spring! it's

A *mf* it's spring! it's

T *mf* it's spring! it's

B *mf* it's spring! it's

Joyfully ♩ = 160 (scampering)

*mf*

+ If performed after WHITE HORSES, keep Pedal through first measure — to join the two songs.

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*p* excited (emphasize 'h')

may! ev-'ry-where is here

may! ev-'ry-where is here

may! ev-'ry-where is here

may! ev-'ry-where is here

*p* excited

*sim.*

14

*mf*

here here and the bird on the bough

*mf*

here here and the bird on the bough

*mf*

here here with a low high low bough

*mf*

here here with a low high low bough

17

*rit.* *p* *slower*

how? and why? we nev - er

how? and why? we nev - er

how? and why? we nev - er

how? and why? we nev - er

*mf* *rit.* *p* *slower*

8va

21

*quizzically a tempo* *mf*  $\left(\frac{2}{2}\right)$  *exclaimed gleefully*

we know spring!

we know spring!

we know spring!

we know spring!

*a tempo*  $\left(\frac{2}{2}\right)$  *mf joyfully*

38 *brashly* *p*  
nev - er we know — brave!  
*brashly* *p*  
nev - er we know — brave!  
*f* *brashly* *p*  
la la la la la la la la la la  
*f* *brashly* *p*  
la la la la la la la la la la

41 *f* so  
*f* so  
*p* *f* so  
*f* brave! so  
*f* brave! so

58

bird! bough! new! true!

bird! bough! new! true!

bird! bough! new! true!

bird! bough! new! true!

62

*rit.* *p* *a tempo* *p*

earth! sky! la la la la la la la

earth! sky!

earth! sky!

earth! sky!

*rit.* *p* *a tempo*

81

in the

i'll dance and i'll sing

here here la la la la la la la la

here here la la la la la la la la

91

it's spring!

it's spring!

it's spring!

it's spring!

8ba. loco

94 abruptly

gleefully

*p*

we nev - er we know ha!

*p*

we nev - er we know ha!

*p*

we nev - er we know ha!

*p*

we nev - er we know ha!

8va

black-note clusters (both hands)

*p*

taps on piano ledge  
left hand follows right hand up keyboard

Duration: 2'30"