

III. You Are Old, Father William [6']

lyrics by Lewis Carroll 13
music by Bill Robinson

Guano ma non troppo (♩=65)

Voice *mp* "You are

Oboe

Piano *p*

Guano ma non troppo (♩=65)

V. *mf* *f*
old, fa - ther Wil - liam," the young man said, "And your hair has be - come ve - ry white; And

Ob.

V. *mp* *mf* *f*
yet you in - ces - sant - ly stand on your head - - - - - Do you

Ob. *f*

V. *f* *mp*
think, at your age, it is right? Do you think, at your age, it is right?"

Ob. *f* *mp*

V. *f* *p*

Father William

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V. *mp* "In my

Ob. *p*

15 *mp*

leg. *

V. *f* youth," fa - ther Wil - liam re - plied to his son, "I feared it might in - jure the brain; But

Ob. *f*

19 *f*

V. *ff* now that I'm per - fect - ly sure I have none, Why, I do it a - gain and a - gain. Why, I

Ob. *ff*

21 *ff*

V. do it a - gain and a - gain. Why, I do it a - gain and a - gain. Why, I

Ob.

23 *leg.* *sim.*

25
V. do it a - gain and a - gain."
Ob.
25
ff p

28
V. "You are old," said the youth, "as I men - tioned be - fore, And have
Ob.
28
mp mf

30
V. grown most un - com - mon - ly fat; Yet you
Ob.
30
f p

34
V. turned a back - som - er - sault in at the door
Ob.
34
f

Father William

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V. ³⁶ Pray what is the rea - son of that?"

Ob.

Ob. ³⁹ *mf* *p*

³⁹ *mf* *p*

V. ⁴² *p* *cresc. p. a p.* *(mp)*
"In my youth," said the sage, as he shook his grey locks, "I

Ob. *cresc. p. a p.* *(mp)*

⁴² *cresc. p. a p.* *(mp)*

*And **

V. ⁴⁶ *(mf)*
kept all my limbs ve - ry sup - ple By the

Ob. *(mf)*

⁴⁶ *(mf)*

48 *f*
V. use of this oint - ment - one shil - - ling the box - - - Al -
Ob. *f*

48 *f*
Piano accompaniment (measures 48-49) with *leg.* and *sim.* markings.

49 *ff*
V. low me to sell you a cou - ple?" —
Ob. *ff*

49 *ff* *mp* *p*
Piano accompaniment (measures 49-52) with dynamic markings *ff*, *mp*, and *p*.

53 *mf*
V. "You are old," said the youth, "and your jaws are too weak For
Ob. *p*

53 *mf*
Piano accompaniment (measures 53-55) with *mf* marking.

56
V. an - y - thing tough - - - er than su - et; Yet you
Ob.

56
Piano accompaniment (measures 56-58).

Father William

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57 *dim.* *p*

V. fin - ished the goose, with the bones and the beak - Pray, how did you man - age to do it?"

Ob. *p*

60 *f*

V. "In my youth," said his fa - ther, "I took to the law, And

Ob.

60 *mp* *f*

62

V. ar - gued each case with my wife; And the

Ob. *f*

62 *f*

64 *ff*

V. mus - cu - lar strength, which it gave to my jaw,

Ob. *ff*

64 *ff*

66

V. *mf* Has las - ted the rest of my life."

Ob. *mf*

66

Leg. *Leg.* *

70

V. *p* "You are old," said the youth, "one would hard - ly sup - pose That your

Ob. *p*

70 *legato* *p*

74

V. *p* eye was as stea - dy as ev - er ev - er ev - er ev - er;

Ob. *p*

74

78

V. Yet you ba - lanced an eel on the end of your nose - What

Ob.

78

Father William

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V. *80*
made you so aw - ful - ly cle - ver?"

Ob.

pp

Ob. *83*

f

83

f

f

V. *84*

Ob. *ff*

ff

ff

"I have

ff

V. *86*

an - swered three ques - tions, and that is e - nough," Said the

Ob.

86

ff

87
V. fa - ther. "Don't give your - self airs! Do you think I can list - en all day to such stuff? Be
Ob.
87

89
V. off, or I'll kick you down stairs! Be off, or I'll kick you down stairs! Be
Ob.
89

91
V. off, or I'll kick you down stairs! Be
Ob.
91

92
V. off, or I'll kick you down stairs!"
Ob. *f* *mp* *pp*
92 *ff* *f* *mp* *pp*