

# Best Things In Life Are Free

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The musical score is arranged for a swing band and includes the following parts:

- Vocal:** Features a vocal line with lyrics: "The stars in the sky, the moon on high, they're great for you and me because they're free." The score includes performance instructions like "(SUNG 1 OCTAVE DOWN)" and numbered notes (1-8).
- Alto 1 & 2:** Melodic lines in the upper register.
- Tenor 1 & 2:** Melodic lines in the middle register.
- Baritone:** Melodic line in the lower register.
- Trumpet 1-4:** Four trumpet parts, with some parts marked "CUP MUTE" and "SLURS".
- Trombone 1-4:** Four trombone parts, with some parts marked "CUP MUTE".
- Guitar & Piano:** Accompanying parts with chord diagrams and notation. Chords include A7, A7b5, B7, Eb7, and D7.
- Bass:** Bass line providing harmonic support.
- Drums:** Drum part with various rhythmic patterns.

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The musical score is arranged for a vocal ensemble and a band. The vocal parts (Alto 1, Alto 2, Tenor 1, Tenor 2, Baritone) enter in measure 13. The instrumental parts (Trumpet 1-4, Trombone 1-4, Guitar, Piano, Bass, Drums) enter in measure 11. The score includes a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The vocal line includes lyrics: "The moon be - longs to ev' - ry - one th - e best things in li - fe a - re free. The".

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The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral layout. The vocal line is at the bottom, with lyrics: "stars be - long to ev' - ry - one the - y gleam there for you and me. The". The instrumental parts include Alto 1-2, Tenor 1-2, Baritone, Trumpet 1-4, Trombone 1-4, Guitar, Piano, Bass, and Drums. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The score shows a progression of chords: Am7, D7, Am7, Am7, D+7, G6, and GΔ7. The word "OPEN" is written above the trumpet and trombone staves in the final measures.