

It don't mean a thing ...

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Swing
(♩ = 224)

The first system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is the vocal line, starting with a whole rest for four measures, followed by the lyrics "It don't mean a thing-". The middle staff is a treble clef staff with whole rests for all five measures. The bottom staff is a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) with a piano accompaniment. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The piano part features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

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The second system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is the vocal line, starting with a whole rest for two measures, followed by the lyrics "- if it ain't got that swing". The middle staff is a treble clef staff with whole rests for the first three measures, followed by the lyrics "Doo wah doo wah". The bottom staff is a grand staff with piano accompaniment. The piano part continues with a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

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doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah

doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah It

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don't mean a thing - All you got to do is sing

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Doowah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo

Doowah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo

20

wah It makes no diff'rence if - it's sweet or hot,

wah Just

25

Oh, It

give that ry-thm ev-'ry thing you've got. Oh, It

29

don't mean a thing - if it ain't got that swing

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Doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo

Doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo

wah Oh, - What good is me lo - dy, - - -

wah What good is mu - sic

- If it ain't pos - sessin' some - thin' sweet - - - it ain't the

If it ain't pos - sessin' some - thin' sweet - - - it ain't the

me-lo - dy It ain't the mu - sic There's some - thin'

me-lo - dy It ain't the mu - sic There's some - thin'

else that makes the tune com - plete Oh Don't mean a thing if it

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ain't got - that swing Doowah Doowah Doowah Doowah Doowah

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Musical score for measures 59-62. It features two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is three flats (B-flat major/C minor). The vocal lines consist of rhythmic patterns of eighth and quarter notes with the lyrics "Doowah Doowah Doo wah". The piano accompaniment includes chords and a bass line with a "V" marking.

Doowah Doowah Doo wah Doowah Doowah Doowah Doowah Doowah

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Musical score for measures 63-67. It features two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is three flats. The vocal lines continue with the lyrics "Doowah Doowah Doo wah". The piano accompaniment includes chords and a bass line with a "V" marking.

Doowah Doowah Doo wah

Doowah Doowah Doo wah

Musical score for measures 68-71. It features two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is three flats. The vocal staves are mostly empty with a double bar line and repeat sign. The piano accompaniment includes chords and a bass line with a "v" marking.

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It don't mean a thing, don't mean a thing if it don't swing -

It don't mean a thing, don't mean a thing if it don't swing -

1. 2.

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- Doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah Doo wah doo wah

- Doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah Doo wah doo wah

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doo wah doo wah Doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah

doo wah doo wah Doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah

Doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah Doo wah doo wah

Doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah Doo wah doo wah

doo wah doo wah Doowah doo wah doo wah doo wah Doowah doowah

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doo wah doo wah Doowah doo wah doo wah doo wah Doo wah doo

doo wah doo wah Doowah doo wah doo wah doo wah Doo wah doo

wah - - - Doo wah doo wah -

wah - - - Doo wah doo wah -

- - - Doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo

- - - Doo wah doo wah doo wah doo wah doo

wah doo Doowah doowah doowah doowah Doowah doowah

wah doo Doowah doowah doowah doowah Doowah doowah

doowah doowah Doowah doowah doowah doowah You've got to

doowah doowah Doowah doowah doowah doowah You've got to

swing! - - - Swing it!

swing! - - - Swing it!