

River

Joni Mitchell (Arr. Samantha O'Brien, 2017)

S. *solo*
It's

V1. *mp* *pp*

V2. *mp* *pp*

9 **A**

S. com-in'on Christ-mas, they're cut-tin'down trees. They're put-tin'up rein-deer. and sing-in' songs of joy & peace. Oh, I

13

S. wish I had a riv - er I could skate a - way__ on__ But it don't snow here;

18

S. stays pret-ty green. I'm gon-na make a lot of mon-ey, then I'm gon-na quit this cra - zy scene. I

21

S. wish I had a riv - er I could skate a - way__ on__ I

25 **B**

S. wish I had a riv-er so__ long__ I would teach my_ feet to fly.__ Oh, I

31

S. wish I had a riv - er I could skate a - way__ on. I made my__ ba-by

36

S. cry. He


V1. *pp* *mf* *pp*


V2. *pp* *mf* *pp*


42 **C**

S. 
 tried hard to help me, you know he put me at ease and he loved me so naugh-ty made me weak in__ the knees, Oh I

46

S. 
 wish I had a ri - ver I could skate a - way__ on__ I'm so hard to han-dle, I'm


A. 
pp mmm *mp* mmm *Sam only* so hard to han-dle, I'm

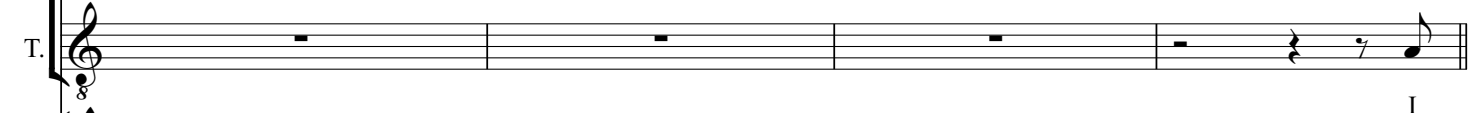
T. 
pp mmm *mp* mmm


51


S. 
 self-ish and I'm sad Now I've gone andn lost the best ba - by that I've__ e - ver had__ Oh, I

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S. 
 wish I had a ri - ver I could skate a - way__ on__ I

T. 
 I

V1. 
pp

V2. 
pp

choir

58 **D**

S. 
 wish I had a riv-er so__ long I would teach my_ feet to fly._____

A. 
 wish I had a ri-ver so__ long, I would teach my_ feet to fly._____

T. 
 wish I had a ri-ver so__ long, I would teach my_ feet to fly._____

V1. 
 V2. 

V.S.

65 **E**

S. *solo* Oh I wish I had a riv er I could skate a way on. *solo*

A. *ppp* choir *solo* ooh I *mf*

T. *ppp* choir *solo* ooh I *mf*

70

S. made my ba - by say 'Good-bye'. I'ts

A. made my ba - by say 'Good-bye'.

T. made my ba - by say 'Good-bye'.

V1. *pp* *mf* *pp*

V2. *pp* *mf* *pp*

77 **F**

S. com-in'on Christ-mas, they're cut-tin'down trees. They're put-tin'up rein-deer. and sing-in' songs of joy & peace. Oh, I

81

S. wish I had a riv - er I could skate a - way. on.

A. *pp* sop/alt ooh ri - ver way. on.

T. *pp* choir ooh ri - ver way. on.

G

87 G

4

S.

A single musical staff for Soprano (S.) in treble clef. It contains a whole rest that spans the entire 4-measure duration of the system. The staff is otherwise empty.

91

rit.

V1.

V2.

Two musical staves for Violin 1 (V1) and Violin 2 (V2) in treble clef. Both staves begin with a melodic line consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The V1 line has a dotted quarter note followed by an eighth note, then a quarter note, and a half note. The V2 line has a dotted quarter note followed by an eighth note, then a quarter note, and a half note. Both lines then continue with a series of quarter notes, each with a slur underneath. The V1 line has a slur under the first four quarter notes, and the V2 line has a slur under the first four quarter notes. The V1 line then has a slur under the next four quarter notes, and the V2 line has a slur under the next four quarter notes. The V1 line ends with a quarter rest, and the V2 line ends with a quarter rest. The word "rit." is written above the staves, indicating a ritardando.