

IT WAS A LOVER AND HIS LASS

William Shakespeare (1564–1616)

Thomas Morley (1557–1602)

1. It was a lov - er and his lass, With a hey, with a ho, and a
 2. Be - tween the a - cres of the Rye,
 3. This Ca - rol they be - gan that hour,
 4. And there - fore take the pres - ent time,

1. It was a lov - er _____ and his lass, With a hey, _____
 2. Be - tween the a - cres _____ of the Rye,
 3. This Ca - rol they be - gan that hour,
 4. And there - fore take the _____ pres - ent time,

1. It was a lov - er and his lass, With a hey non - ny
 2. Be - tween the a - cres of the Rye,
 3. This Ca - - rol they be - gan that hour,
 4. And there - fore take the pres - ent time,

hey non-ny no, and a hey _____ non-ny non - ny no, _____
 - ho, non-ny no, non-ny non-ny no, with a hey non - ny _____ no,
 non - ny no, _____ with a hey ho non - ny non - ny no,

- That o'er the green corn-fields did pass, In spring - time, in
 These pret - ty Coun - try folks would lie,
 How that a life was but a Flow'r,
 For love is crown - ed with the prime,

That o'er the green corn - fields did pass, that o'er the green cornfields did pass,
 These pret - ty Coun - try folks would lie, these pret - ty Coun - try folks would lie,
 How that a life was but a Flow'r, how that a life was but a Flow'r,
 For love is crown - ed with the prime, for love is crown - ed with the prime,

That o'er the green fields, the green corn-fields did pass, In spring - time,
 These pret - ty Coun - try, these Coun - try folks would lie,
 How that a life was, a life was but a Flow'r,
 For love is crown - ed, is crown - ed with the prime,

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spring - time, in spring - time, the on - ly pret - ty ring - time, When birds do sing Hey
 In spring - time, the on - ly pret - ty ring - time, When birds do
 in spring - time, in spring - time, the on - ly ring - time, When birds do

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ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, Sweet
 sing Hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, lov -
 sing Hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a -

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lov - ers love the spring, in spring - time, in spring - time, the on -
 - ers love the spring, sweet lov - ers love the spring, the spring, the on -
 ding, Sweet lov - ers love the spring, in spring - time, in spring - time, the

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ly pret - ty ring - time, when birds do sing hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey
 ly pret - ty ring - time, when birds do sing hey ding - a -
 on - ly pret - ty ring - time, when birds do sing Hey ding - a - ding - a -

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ding - a - ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, Sweet lov - ers love the spring.
 ding - a - ding, hey ding - a - ding - a - ding, lov - ers love the spring.
 ding, hey ding - a - ding, Sweet lov - ers love the spring.