

# Send Me a Child

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*Moderato* ♩ = 92

*mp*

*rit.*

*mp*

Send me a child who is cry - ing, and I will wipe the tears.

*a tempo*

*cresc.* *mf*

Give me the hand of the help - less to lead to bet - ter years. For

*cresc.*

there is a child in each of us, search - ing for safe - ty and peace;

*mf*

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It begins with a tempo marking of 'Moderato' and a quarter note equal to 92 beats per minute. The key signature has one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The score is divided into four systems. The first system shows the piano introduction with a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic and a ritardando (*rit.*) marking. The second system features the vocal entry with lyrics 'Send me a child who is cry - ing, and I will wipe the tears.' The piano accompaniment is marked 'a tempo'. The third system continues the vocal line with lyrics 'Give me the hand of the help - less to lead to bet - ter years. For' and includes a crescendo (*cresc.*) and mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The fourth system concludes the vocal phrase with lyrics 'there is a child in each of us, search - ing for safe - ty and peace;' and is marked mezzo-forte (*mf*).

*rit. e dimin.*

Reach - ing to o - pen a brand new door; Hold - ing the keys.

*Broaden*

*mf* In a child's eyes, the hope of hea - ven shines.

*cresc.*

In a child's heart, the love of all man - kind.

*cresc.*

*f*

In a child's soul, we can see the fu - ture.

*f*

*rit. e dimin.*

Make it strong. Make it bright. Make it sure.

*rit. e dimin.*

*a tempo mp*

*a tempo mp*

Send me a child who is ea - ger to work and plan and

*rit.* *a tempo*

*cresc.*

scheme. Give me his hand and to - geth - er we'll start to build our

*cresc.*

*mf*

dream. For there is a child in each of us long - ing to be set free;

*mf*

*cresc.*

Reach - ing to o - pen a brand new door, yearn - ing and learn - ing, un - cov - er - ing, dis - cov - er - ing

*cresc.*

*f*

life in its ful - ness, \_\_\_\_\_ Rich in its ful - ness. \_\_\_\_\_

*f*

*Allargando*

*f*

In a child's eyes, \_\_\_\_\_

*cresc.* *rit.* *f*

\_\_\_\_\_ the hope of hea - ven shines; \_\_\_\_\_ In a child's heart, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ the love of all man - kind. \_\_\_\_\_ In a child's soul, \_\_\_\_\_

*ff*

\_\_\_\_\_ we can see the fu - ture. \_\_\_\_\_ Make it strong. Heal the

*rit. e dimin.* *f*

child. \_\_\_\_\_ Heal the child and the child will heal the world! \_\_\_\_\_

*ff* *cresc.* *fff*