

Africa

arr. SC

Words and Music by David Paich and Jeff Porcaro

With a beat ♩ = 94

Piano

Percussion Intro following 'Rain Storm'



5 **A**

S. Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah.

A. Doo doo doo... doo doo doo doo bah.

A. Doo doo doo... doo doo doo doo bah.

T. Doo doo doo... doo doo doo doo bah.

B. Doo doo doo... doo doo doo doo bah.

Pno. *mp*

9

S. 
 A. 
 A. 
 T. 
 B. 
 Pno. 



B

12

S. 
 A. 
 A. 
 T. 
 B. 
 Pno. 

15

S. — but she hears on - ly whis - pers of some qui-et con - ver-sa

A. — but she hears on - ly whis - pers of some qui-et con - ver-sa

T. — but she hears on - ly whis - pers of some qui-et con - ver-sa

B. — but she hears on - ly whis - pers of some qui-et con - ver-sa

Pno.



19

S. - - tion. She's co-ming in_

A. - - Doo doo doo_ doo doo doo doo bah She's co-ming in_

A. - - Doo doo doo_ doo doo doo doo bah She's co-ming in_

T. - - Doo doo doo_ doo doo doo doo bah She's co-ming in_

B. - - Doo doo doo_ doo doo doo doo bah She's co-ming in_

Pno.

C

23

S. — twelve thir-ty flight, — her moon-lit wings re - flect the stars that

A. — twelve thir-ty flight, — her moon-lit wings re - flect the stars that

T. — twelve thir-ty flight, — her moon-lit wings re - flect the stars that

B. — twelve thir-ty flight, — her moon-lit wings re - flect the stars that

Pno.



27

S. guide me to-wards sal - va - - - tion.

A. guide me to-wards sal - va - - - Doo doo doo doo doo doo bah

A. guide me to-wards sal - va - - - Doo doo doo doo doo doo bah

T. guide me to-wards sal - va - - - Doo doo doo doo doo doo bah

B. guide me to-wards sal - va - - - Doo doo doo doo doo doo bah

Pno.

31 **D**

S. I stopped an old__ man a-long the way,__ hop-ing to find_ some

A. I stopped an old__ man a-long the way,__ hop-ing to find_ some

T. I stopped an old__ man a-long the way,__ hop-ing to find_ some

B. I stopped an old__ man a-long the way,__ hop-ing to find_ some

Pno.



35

S. long for got - ten words or an-cient mel - o - dies.

A. long for got - ten words or an-cient mel - o - Doo doo doo__ doo doo doo doo bah

A. long for got - ten words or an-cient mel - o - Doo doo doo__ doo doo doo doo bah

T. long for got - ten words or an-cient mel - o - Doo doo doo__ doo doo doo doo bah

B. long for got - ten words or an-cient mel - o - Doo doo doo__ doo doo doo doo bah

Pno.

40 **E**

S. He turned to me___ as if___ to say,___ 'Hur-ry boy, _ it's

A. He turned to me___ as if___ to say,___ 'Hur-ry boy, _ it's

T. He turned to me___ as if___ to say,___ 'Hur-ry boy, _ it's

B. He turned to me___ as if___ to say,___ 'Hur-ry boy, _ it's

Pno. *cresc.*



44 **F**

S. wait-ing there_ for you.'___ oo. It's gon-na take a lot

A. wait-ing there_ for you.'___ oo. It's gon-na take a lot

T. wait-ing there_ for you.'___ oo. It's gon-na take a lot

B. wait-ing there_ for you.'___ Oo. It's gon-na take a lot

Pno. *mf*

49

S. _____ to drag me a - way from you. _____ There's noth-ing that a

A. _____ to drag me a - way from you. _____ There's noth-ing that a

T. _____ to drag me a - way from you. _____ There's noth-ing that a

B. _____ to drag me a - way from you. _____ There's noth-ing that a

Pno.



53

G

S. hun-dred men_ or more_ could ev-er do. _____ I bless the rains

A. hun-dred men_ or more_ could ev-er do. _____ I bless the rains

A. hun-dred men_ or more_ could ev-er do. _____ I bless the rains

T. hun-dred men_ or more_ could ev-er do. _____ I bless the rains

B. hun-dred men_ or more_ could ev-er do. _____ I bless the rains

Pno.

57

S. down in Af - ri ca. Gon-na take some time to do the

A. down in Af - ri ca. Gon-na take some time to do the

A. down in Af - ri ca. Gon-na take some time to do the

T. down in Af - ri ca. Gon-na take some time to do the

B. down in Af - ri ca. Gon-na take some time to do the

Pno.



62

H

S. things we nev - er had. Oo.

A. things we nev - er had. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo

A. things we nev - er had. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo

T. things we nev - er had. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo

B. things we nev - er had. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo

Pno.

mp

S.
 Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah.

A.
 doo doo bah. Doo doo doo doo doo

A.
 doo doo bah. Doo doo doo doo doo

T.
 doo doo bah. Doo doo doo doo doo

B.
 doo doo bah. Doo doo doo doo doo

Pno.



S.
 Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah. Oo, _____

A.
 doo doo bah. Oo, _____

A.
 doo doo bah. Oo, _____

T.
 doo doo bah. The wild dogs

B.
 doo doo bah. The wild dogs

Pno.
mf

S. 

A. 

A. 

T. 

B. 

Pno. 



J

S. 

A. 

A. 

T. 

B. 

Pno. 

S. _____
 Oo. _____

A. _____
 Oo. _____

A. _____
 Oo. _____

T. ₈ _____
 must do what's right, sure as Kil - i - man - ja - ro ris - es like O - lym

B. _____
 must do what's right, sure as Kil - i - man - ja - ro ris - es like O - lym

Pno. _____



S. _____

A. _____
 Doo doo doo doo doo doo bah

A. _____
 Doo doo doo doo doo doo bah

T. ₈ _____
 pus a - bove the Ser - en - ge - ti. doo doo bah

B. _____
 pus a - bove the Ser - en - ge - ti. doo doo bah

Pno. _____

92 **K**

S. Oo, _____ fright-ened of__ this

A. Oo, _____ fright-ened of__ this

A. Oo, _____ fright-ened of__ this

T. I seek to cure__ what's deep in - side, fright-ened of__ this

B. I seek to cure__ what's deep in - side, fright-ened of__ this

Pno. *cresc.*



96

L

S. thing that I _____ be come.____ oo. It's gon-na take a lot

A. thing that I _____ be come.____ oo. It's gon-na take a lot

T. thing that I _____ be come.____ oo. It's gon-na take a lot

B. thing that I _____ be come.____ Oo._____ It's gon-na take a lot

Pno. *f*

101

S. _____ to drag me a - way from you. _____ There's noth-ing that a

A. _____ to drag me a - way from you. _____ There's noth-ing that a

T. _____ to drag me a - way from you. _____ There's noth-ing that a

B. _____ to drag me a - way from you. _____ There's noth-ing that a

Pno.



105

S. hun-dred men_ or more_ could ev - er do. _____ I bless the rains

A. hun-dred men_ or more_ could ev - er do. _____ I bless the rains

A. hun-dred men_ or more_ could ev - er do. _____ I bless the rains

T. hun-dred men_ or more_ could ev - er do. _____ I bless the rains

B. hun-dred men_ or more_ could ev - er do. _____ I bless the rains

M

Pno.

109

S. down in Af - ri ca. Gon-na take some time to do the

A. down in Af - ri ca. Gon-na take some time to do the

A. down in Af - ri ca. Gon-na take some time to do the

T. down in Af - ri ca. Gon-na take some time to do the

B. down in Af - ri ca. Gon-na take some time to do the

Pno.



114

S. things we nev - er had. Oo.

A. things we nev - er had. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo

A. things we nev - er had. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo

T. things we nev - er had. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo

B. things we nev - er had. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo

Pno. *mp*

S. 
 Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah.

A. 
 doo doo bah. Doo doo doo doo doo

A. 
 doo doo bah. Doo doo doo doo doo

T. 
 doo doo bah. Doo doo doo doo doo

B. 
 doo doo bah. Doo doo doo doo doo

Pno. 



S. 
 Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah.

A. 
 doo doo bah.

A. 
 doo doo bah.

T. 
 doo doo bah.

B. 
 doo doo bah.

Pno. 

126 **N**

S.
 Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah.

A.
 Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah.

T.
 Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah.

B.
 Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah.

Pno.
f



129

S.
 Dah dah di la dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah

A.
 Dah dah di la dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah

T.
 dah dah.

B.
 dah dah.

Pno.

132

S. dah dah dah dah dah dah'n dah. Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah

A. dah dah dah dah dah dah'n dah. Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah

T. Doo doo doo... doo doo doo doo bah Dah dah dah dah dah dah dah dah

B. Doo doo doo... doo doo doo doo bah

Pno.



136

S. dah dah dah dah_ dah dah... 'Hur-ry boy,- it's wait-ing there_ for you.'

A. dah dah dah dah_ dah dah... 'Hur-ry boy,- it's wait-ing there_ for you.'

T. dah dah dah dah_ dah. 'Hur-ry boy,- it's wait-ing there_ for you.'

B. 'Hur-ry boy,- it's wait-ing there_ for you.'

Pno. *cresc.*

140

O

S. oo. It's gon-na take a lot to drag me a-

A. oo. It's gon-na take a lot to drag me a-

T. oo. It's gon-na take a lot to drag me a-

B. Oo. It's gon-na take a lot to drag me a-

Pno.



145

S. way from you. There's noth-ing that a hun-dred men_ or more

A. way from you. There's noth-ing that a hun-dred men_ or more

T. way from you. There's noth-ing that a hun-dred men_ or more

B. way from you. There's noth-ing that a hun-dred men_ or more

Pno.

S. _____ could ev-er do. _____ I bless the rains _____ down in Af - ri- ca.

A. _____ could ev-er do. _____ I bless the rains _____ down in Af - ri- ca.

A. _____ could ev-er do. _____ I bless the rains _____ down in Af - ri- ca.

T. _____ could ev-er do. _____ I bless the rains _____ down in Af - ri- ca.

B. _____ could ev-er do. _____ I bless the rains _____ down in Af - ri- ca.

Pno.



S. _____ I bless the rains _____ down in Af - ri- ca. _____

A. _____ I bless the rains _____ down in Af - ri- ca. _____

A. _____ I bless the rains _____ down in Af - ri- ca. _____

T. _____ I bless the rains _____ down in Af - ri- ca. _____

B. _____ I bless the rains _____ down in Af - ri- ca. _____

Pno.

S. I bless the rains down in Af - ri - ca. I bless the rains

A. I bless the rains down in Af - ri - ca. I bless the rains

A. I bless the rains down in Af - ri - ca. I bless the rains

T. I bless the rains down in Af - ri - ca. I bless the rains

B. I bless the rains down in Af - ri - ca. I bless the rains

Pno.



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S. things we nev - er had.

A. things we nev - er had.

T. things we nev - er had.

B. things we nev - er had.

Pno.



cresc.

S. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo bah.

S. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo bah.

A. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo bah.

A. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo bah.

T. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo bah.

B. Oo. Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo bah.

Pno.

Africa – Choralography!

Proceeding the arrangement starting we will shamelessly replicate the choralography created by the vocal ensemble 'Perpetuum Jazzile'. If you search for them on YouTube you'll find the kind of effect that I hope we can recreate.

We will divide the choir into 4 groups, left to right.

We begin with all members rubbing their palms together quickly like sand blocks, imitating approaching winds. (Approx 15 secs)

We then gradually replace this action with random finger-snaps, emulating raindrops from left to right – group by group. (Approx 15 secs)

We then gradually replace finger-snaps with a rapid slapping of the top of your thighs, emulating heavier rainfall. (Approx 15 secs)

While continuing to slap our thighs, we then jump up in a wave from left to right in groups imitating thunder. We repeat this 3 times with about 5 seconds between each 'wave'.

Fade the thigh slapping, replacing with finger snaps. (Approx 10 secs).

As we fade finger-snaps the rhythmic instruments start and we stop finger-snaps at the first chord.