

# THE THREE RAVENS

For Mixed Voices, S.A.T.B., a cappella

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Gently, but with movement (♩ = 96)

Soprano

1. There were three Rav'ns sat on a tree,  
2. For down in yon - der green - e field, } Down - a - down, hey

Alto

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Tenor

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Bass

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down, { There were three Rav'ns sat on a tree, They were as black as  
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they might be, } With a down, der - ry, der tree, } Down - a - down, hey  
neath his shield, } der - ry, der field, }

they might be, } With a down, — der - ry, der - ry, der - ry down, down.  
neath his shield, } (b)

they might be, } With a down, der - ry, der - ry, der - ry down, down.  
neath his shield, } (b)

they might be, } With a down, down, der - ry down, down.  
neath his shield, }

3. Now down there comes a fallow doe,  
Down-a-down, hey down-a-down,  
Now down there comes a fallow doe,  
With a down,  
Now down there comes a fallow doe,  
As great with child as she might go,  
With a down, derry, derry, derry down, down.

4. She lifted up his bloody head  
Down-a-down, hey down-a-down, } With a  
She lifted up his bloody head tree, }  
With a down, field, }  
She lifted up his bloody head,  
And kiss'd his wounds that were so red,  
With a down, derry, derry, derry down, down.

5. She buried him before the prime,  
Down-a-down, hey down-a-down,  
She buried him before the prime,  
With a down,  
She buried him before the prime,  
Was dead herself ere ev'nsong time,  
With a down, derry, derry, derry down, down.

tree, }  
field, }