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Harrison, Tyler, Polk, Taylor,
Fillmore, Pierce, Buchanan, Lincoln,
Johnson, Grant, Hayes, Garfield,
Arthur, Cleveland, Harrison, McKinley,
Roosevelt, Taft, Wilson, Harding,
Coolidge, Hoover, Roosevelt, Truman,
Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon,
Ford, Carter, Reagan, Bush,
Clinton, Bush, Obama, Trump,
Biden.



We honor them all on President's Day.
Let's celebrate our presidents and shout a big "hooray!"
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Spoken: Hooray!

SCENE 1:

Speaker 1: We the people! That is the very first line of the true Song of America!

Speaker 2: In the preamble to our constitution our founders wrote...

All: "We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

Speaker 3: Yes! That was the first verse of the Song that is America! A song we continue to sing today, always fine tuning it in order to make a more perfect union.

Speaker 4: Our founders had big dreams of a new kind of nation later described by President Abraham Lincoln as a nation "of the people, by the people, for the people."

Speaker 5: The American Song has always been about those big dreams.

Speaker 6: Dreams of freedom!

Speaker 7: Dreams of hope!

Speaker 8: Equality and prosperity!

Speaker 9: With liberty and justice for all!

Speaker 10: We still have big dreams. Big... American.... dreams.

SCENE 5:

Speaker 1: The American Song, like the American Dream, lives on as powerfully as the day it was born.

Speaker 2: We sing the verses of old with lyrics of liberty, freedom, justice and hope.

Speaker 3: And add stanzas of equality, valor, unity and understanding.

Speaker 4: The American Dream is alive and well, and today we commit to pursuing it, protecting it, and even perfecting it.

Speaker 5: For we believe that the American Dream, as difficult as it may be to realize, is worth pursuing and protecting. Don't lose faith in America, Americans.

Hold On To Your Dream.

SONG 7:

Hold On To Your Dream

When the day is dark and dreary
Hold on, hold on.

When the road you're on leaves you weary,
Hold on, hold on.

No mountainside too steep.
No sea too wide or deep.
No clouds too dark to hide
The light that shines inside.

Hold on to your dream.
Hold on to your dream.
Arise, awake, a new day breaks.
Hold on to your dream.

In the fog of this misty morning
Hold on, hold on.
When the sun comes up with a warning
Hold on, hold on.

Your dreams are yours alone.
Truth your cornerstone.
Your dreams can keep you strong
So sing your honest song.

Hold on to your dream.
Hold on to your dream.
Arise, awake, a new day breaks.
Hold on to your dream.

Don't look down; the Truth is always higher.
The world was meant for dreamers like you.
To know your heart's desire, take it higher.

Hold on to your dream.
Hold on to your dream.
Arise, awake, a new day breaks.
Hold on to your dream.
Hold on to your dream.

SCENE 6:

Speaker 1: So what is the American Song? To us it is the melody that sings through our hearts as we celebrate the country we love.

Speaker 2: It is the rhythm that beats in the heart of everyone who loves this land and in the dream that lives on and on and on.

Speaker 3: And perhaps most of all, it is the harmony that is possible when people of all kinds come together and recognize that together we are better; together we are one.

Speaker 4: This is the American Song. And we believe the American Song is so worth singing.

SONG 8:

American Song

(Chorus)

Sing now America!

Part 1: Sing now America!

Part 2: Sing now America!

Part 1: Sing loud and strong.

Part 2: Sing loud and strong. (Part 1 starts singing this line at the same time that part 2 sings the word 'strong'.)

Part 1: Sing now,

Part 2: Sing now America!

Tutti: Oh, sing an American Song!

(Chorus)

My country 'tis of thee,

Sweet land of liberty,

Of thee I sing.

Land where my fathers died,

Land of the pilgrim's' pride,

From ev'ry mountainside,

Let freedom ring!

(Chorus)

O beautiful for spacious skies

For amber waves of grain.

For purple mountain majesties,

Above the fruited plain.

America, America,

God shed His grace on thee

And crown thy good, with brotherhood

From sea to shining sea.

(Chorus with My Country Tis of Thee)

Part 1: My country

Part 2: Sing now America!

Part 1: 'Tis of thee

Part 2: Sing loud and strong!

Part 1: Sweet land of

Part 2: Sing now America! Oh

Part 1: liberty of

Part 2: Sing an American song. Oh

Part 1: thee I sing.

Part 2: Sing an American song.

Tutti: Oh, sing an American song!

(Tag)

Oh sing an American song!

Oh sing an American song!



AMERICAN SONG!

♩ = 120

Music by John Jacobson and Walter Jack

Start with hand behind your back
Heads down

E \flat B \flat /E \flat A \flat /E \flat

Piano

F \sharp C \sharp /F \sharp B/F \sharp

5

Pno.

A rit. E/G \sharp F \sharp 7/E

10

Pno.

a tempo
♩ = 110

Raise head
slowly

A \flat

13

Pno.

Scoop L hand
Low to high

15

Vox. **Sing now A -**

Sing now A - mer - i - ca!

Pno.

Scoop R hand
Low to high

17

Vox. **mer - i - ca! Sing loud and**

Sing loud and strong.

Pno.

Scoop hands to overhead

Hands down
quickly

R hand to heart
on cut off

118

Vox.

song.

song!

Pno.

Bb Eb/Bb Bb Eb/Bb F/Bb Bb2 Bb

