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NOTES FROM JANET GARDNER

THE BEAUTIFUL RAIN

Classroom instruments may be used to depict the sounds of rain. Here are some suggestions:

- Measures 62–82
 - 1st time: Pat a drum to the “pitter patter” rhythm.
 - 2nd time: Add rhythm sticks or tone block to the “drip-drip” rhythm.
 - 3rd time: Add triangle to the “ting tang” rhythm.
- During the introduction, measure 43, measure 71, measure 83:
Rainstick

About the Poet

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, born in Portland, Maine, was a college professor and one of the most popular poets of his day. Most of his works were lyric poems, which are known for their musical nature. Some of the most famous are “The Song of Hiawatha,” “Paul Revere’s Ride” and “Evangeline.” The lyrics of this piece are taken from his poem, “Rain in Summer.”



THE BEAUTIFUL RAIN

Words by
HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW
(1807-1882)

Additional Words and Music by
JANET GARDNER

Playfully (in 88)

Piano

mf **8**

How beau-ti-ful is the rain! At-ter the dust and

heat, in the broad and fi-ery street, in the nar-row lane,

How beau-ti-ful is the rain!



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Part 1

mf [7]

How beau-ti-ful is the rain! At - ter the dust and

Part 2

mf

How beau-ti-ful is the rain!

heat, in the broad and fi - ery street, in the nar - row lane.

At - ter the dust and heat, in the broad and fi - ery street, in the

How beau-ti-ful is the rain!

nar - row lane. How beau-ti-ful is the rain!



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Brightly (♩ = 100)

Piano

Part I

mf

Sing me a song of a bright to - mor - row. Paint me a pic - ture of
 Dream me a dream that will last for - ev - er. Teach me the les - sons I

Part II

mf

Sing me a song of a bright to - mor - row. Paint me a pic - ture of
 Dream me a dream that will last for - ev - er. Teach me the les - sons I

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sun - my skies. Clear a straight path for me to fol - low.
 need to know. Help me suc - ceed in each an - dear - or.

Give me the wings, to fly.
 These are the seeds, to grow.

Wings to fly, give me wings to fly.
 Wings to fly, give me wings to fly.

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The creative works of celebrated and award-winning educator and composer, Janet Gardner, have been a staple of learning for music educators and joyful performance by thousands of young singers. Her selection of text, expertise in composition for young voices and creativity in both musicals and choral works have set the bar high in the music educational world.

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