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VARIATIONS
from the Nursery Rhyme



Old King Cole

(Wherein is inculcated a Moral:- ΜΗΔΕΝ ΑΓΑΝ)

Words and Music by
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Allegro con brio (♩ = 108)

SOPRANO
ALTO
TENOR
BASS

Old King Cole was a wretch-ed old soul, And a
Old King Cole was a wretch-ed old soul, And a
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PLANO

R.H.
L.H.
R.H.
L.H.

wretch-ed old soul was he He loved his pipe and he loved his bowl But he
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ha-ted his fid-dlers three. Fid-dle did-dle dee went the fid-dle

ha-ted his fid-dlers three.

ha-ted his fid-dlers three.

ha-ted his fid-dlers three.

mp

Fid-dle did-dle dee went the viol

Fid-dle did-dle dee went the

Fid-dle dee

Fid-dle dee

big bur-ly bum-bo Fid-dle did-dle did-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle dee. With a

f Fid-dle did-dle dee *pp* Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle

f Fid-dle did-dle dee *pp* Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle

1. When Old King Cole took his
 2. When Old King Cole to the
 3. Old King Cole if he
 4. Said Old King Cole got as
 5. Said Old King Cole "I will

f fid-dle did-dle dee *pp* Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle dee

f *pp* *mf* *legato*

dee Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle

dee Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle

morn - ing roll And his cup of hot cof - fee His
 par - lour stole For a nap on the strict Q. T. He
 went for a stroll In the gar - den af - ter tea Was at
 thin as a pole And the co-lour of *soupe de pea* Till a
 make a hole In those cads that wor - ry me" He dis-

Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle dee

dee Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dledid-dle dee Fid-dledid-dle dee

dee Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dledid-dle dee Fid-dledid-dle dee

meal was lost and his tem - per crossed By those ter - ri - ble fid - dlers three
 heard the noise of those cur - sed boys Those hor - ri - ble fid - dlers three
 once pur - sued by that breath - less brood Those mad - den - ing fid - dlers three
 friend ob - served that they all de - served To per - ish, those fid - dlers three
 charged his gun and the good old gun Dis - charged the fid - dlers three

Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle dee Fid-dle did-dle did-dle did-dle dee

mf > >

^{1st 4 times}

Fid-dle did-dle dee went the fid - dle

Fid-dle did-dle dee went the viol

p

Fid-dle did-dle dee went the big bur-ly bum-bo Fid-dle did-dle did-dle did-dle

f Fid-dle dee *5th time weak and faint* Fid-dle did-dle dee went the fid-dle
 Fid-dle dee
 dee Fid-dle dee With a *pp*

weak and faint Fid-dle did-dle dee went the viol
weak and faint poco rit. Fid-dle did-dle dee went the big bur-ly bum-bo
poco rit.

pp rit. molto *a tempo*
 Fid - dle dee *pp rit. molto* *a tempo*
 Fid - dle dee *a tempo*
molto rit. e dim. *pp* *a tempo*
 Fid - dle did - dle did - dle did - dle dee Fid - dle dee *a tempo*

f
 Old King Cole was a mer - ry old soul And a mer - ry old soul was
 Old King Cole was a mer - ry old soul And a mer - ry old soul was
 Old King Cole was a mer - ry old soul And a mer - ry old soul was
 Old King Cole was a mer - ry old soul And a mer - ry old soul was

he He pulled at his pipe and he quaffed at his bowl And he
 he He pulled at his pipe and he quaffed at his bowl And he
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 he He pulled at his pipe and he quaffed at his bowl And he

bur - ied his fid - dlers three. His fid - dlers three he
 bur - ied his fid - dlers three. His fid - dlers three He
 bur - ied his fid - dlers three. His fid - dlers three he
 bur - ied his fid - dlers three. He bur - ied his fid - dlers three he

fid - dlers three, He bur - ied his fid - dlers, bur - ied his fid - dlers,
 bur - ied his fid - dlers three, He bur - ied his fid - dlers, bur - ied his fid - dlers,
 fid - dlers three, He bur - ied his fid - dlers, bur - ied his fid - dlers,
 fid - dlers three, He bur - ied his fid - dlers, bur - ied his fid - dlers,

marcato

allarg. *a tempo*
 fid - dlers three
allarg. *a tempo*
 He bur - ied his fid - dlers three
allarg. *a tempo*
 bur - ied his fid - dlers, fid - dlers three
allarg. *a tempo*
 fid - dlers three
L.H. allarg. *a tempo*