

# IT AIN'T NECESSARILY SO

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Moderato scherzoso

SPORTING LIFE

VOICE

Piano

1. It

*mf* *p*

Gmi. C Gmi. C Gmi. C

*(happily, with humor)*

2. Da - vid was small, but oh my! — It aint ne - ces - sa - ri - ly so, — Li'l Da - vid was small but oh

Gmi. C7 D<sup>b</sup>7 C7 D<sup>b</sup>7

so, — De tings dat yo' li' - ble To read in de Bi - ble, it  
my! — He fought big Go - li - ath Who lay down an' di - eth! Li'l

A7 D7 Gmi. C7 Eb7 D11

1. (repeat!)  
 ain't ne - ces - sa - ri - ly so. Li'l  
 Da - vid was small, but oh

Eb7 Db F#mi.

Gmi. Gm7 Allegro giocoso Like a savage outburst Eb7

2. my! Wa - doo, - Wa - doo, -

*mf* *ALL*

Ab Eb7 Bdim. Ab D7 E mi.7

SP. L. ALL SP. L.

Zim bam bod - dle - oo, Zim bam bod - dle - oo, Hoo - dle ah da wa da,

Fm6 D7 Gmi. D

ALL SP. L. ALL SP. L. *mf*

Hoo - dle ah da wa da, Scat - ty wah... Scat - ty wah... Yeah! 3. Oh,

*subito rit*

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

C

### Tempo I

Jo - nah, he lived in de whale, Oh, Jo - nah, he lived in de  
 Mo - ses was found in a stream, Li'l Mo - ses was found in a

Gmi. C D<sup>b</sup>7 C7 D<sup>b</sup>7

whale, Fo' he made his home in Dat fish - 's ab - do - men. Oh,  
 stream, He float - ed on wat - er Till Ole Phar - aoh's daugh - ter She

A7

D7

Gmi.

C7

E<sup>b</sup>7

D11

Gmi.

1.

(repeat!)<sup>2.</sup>

Gm7

Jo - nah, he lived in de whale. \_\_\_\_\_ Li'l  
 fished him, she says, from that \_\_\_\_\_ stream.  
 (repeat!)

E<sup>b</sup>7 D<sup>b</sup> F#mi. E<sup>b</sup>7 A<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup>7

### Allegro

Wa - doo, Wa - doo, - Zim bam bod - dle - oo,

mf SP.L.

Bdim.

D7

Fm6

D7

A<sup>b</sup>

E<sup>m</sup>i.7

ALL

SP. L.

ALL

Zim bam bod - dle - oo, Hoo - dle ah da wa da, Hoo - dle ah da wa da,

Gmi.

D

SP. L.

ALL

SP. L.

Scat - ty wah, — Scat - ty wah. — Yeah! It

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

Tempo I

ain't ne-ces-sa-ri-ly so, It ain't ne-ces-sa-ri-ly so. Dey

*a tempo*

C7

D<sup>b</sup>7

C7

D<sup>b</sup>7

A7

D7

tell all you chil-lun De deb-ble's a vil-lun, But 'tain't ne-ces-sa-ri-ly

Gmi.

E $\flat$ 7

A $\flat$

so. To get in - to Heb-ben don' snap for a seb-ben! Live

*mf*

Am7 D7 G6 C7 F

clean! Don'have no fault. Oh, I takes dat gos-pel When - ev - er it's pos'- ble, But

G7 F6

A7(sus 4) A7(b5) B $\flat$ +7 Gmi. C Gmi. C.

wid a grain of salt. Me - thus'lah lived nine hun-dred years, Me -

*mp*

Gmi. C Gmi. C7 D $\flat$ 7

thus-lah lived nine hun - dred years, But who calls dat liv - in' When

*mf*

C7

D<sup>b</sup>7

A7

D7

Gmi.

C

no gal 'll give in To no man what's nine hun - dred years?

F#7

E<sup>b</sup>7

Cm6

G

D7

*mp un poco meno*

I'm preach-in' dis ser - mon to show, \_\_\_\_\_ It

*mp un poco meno*

C

B7

E mi.

Cm6

G

D+9

*poco a poco cresc.*

*rall.*

ain't nes - sa, ain't nes - sa, ain't nes - sa, ain't nes - sa, ain't ne - ces - sa - ri - ly

*poco a poco cresc.*

*rall.*

G<sup>b</sup>

*mf a tempo*

so. \_\_\_\_\_

*mf a tempo*

*f*