

Jingle Bells

(a.k.a. "One Horse Open sleigh")

Words & Music:
James Lord Pierpont (1857, Boston)

C F
Dashing through the snow, in a one-horse open sleigh,
G7 C
O'er the fields we go, laughing all the way,
C F
Bells on bobtails ring, making spirits bright,
G7 C
What fun it is to ride and sing a sleighing song tonight, oh

CHORUS:

C C7
Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way,
F C D7 G7
Oh what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh, hey,
C C7
Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way,
F C G7 C
Oh what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh.

A day or two ago, I thought I'd take a ride,
And soon Miss Fanny Bright was seated by my side;
The horse was lean and lank; misfortune seemed his lot;
He got into a drifted bank, and we, we got upsot.

CHORUS:

A day or two ago, the story I must tell
I went out on the snow and on my back I fell;
A gent was riding by in a one-horse open sleigh,
He laughed as there I sprawling lie, but quickly drove away.

CHORUS:

Now the ground is white, go it while you're young,
Take the girls tonight and sing this sleighing song;
Just get a bob-tailed bay, two-forty as his speed
Hitch him to an open sleigh and - crack! - you'll take the lead.