

The First Nowell

Verse 1

The first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay,
Keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep:

Refrain

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell
Born is the King of Israel!

Verse 2

And by the light of that same star
Three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went:

Refrain

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell
Born is the King of Israel!

Verse 3

Then enter'd in those wise men three,
Full rev'rently upon their knee,
And offer'd there in his presence,
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

Refrain

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell
Born is the King of Israel!