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WHAT'S THE BEST THING IN THE WORLD?

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Jubilantly ♩ = 96

Soprano I

Soprano II

Alto

Piano

f

5

mf

What's the best thing in the world? _____

mf

What's the best thing in the world? _____

mf

What's the best thing in the world? _____

mf

9

June - rose, by May - dew im - pearled;

June - rose, by May - dew im - pearled;

June - rose, by May - dew im - pearled;

13

mp
Sweet south - wind, that means no rain;

mp
Sweet south - wind, that means no rain;

mp
Sweet south - wind, that means no rain;

mp

17

mf *p*
Truth, not cru-el to a friend;

mf *p*
Truth, not cru-el to a friend;

mf *p*
Truth, not cru-el to a friend;

mf *p* *mp*

21

mp
Plea - sure, not in haste to end;

mp
Plea - - sure, not in haste to end;

mp
Plea - - sure, not in haste to end;

25

mf

Beau - ty, not self-decked and curled

mf

Beau - ty, not self-decked and curled

mf

Beau - ty, not self-decked and curled

mf

29

f

Til its pride — is ov - er - plain;

f

Til its pride — is ov - er - plain;

f

Til its pride — is ov - er - plain;

f

33

p Light, _____ that ne-ver makes you wink;

p Light, _____ that ne-ver makes you wink;

p Light, _____

p

37

Me-mo-ry, _____ that gives no__ pain;

Me-mo-ry, _____ that gives no__ pain;

_____ that ne-ver makes you wink; Me-mo-ry, that

41 *mf*
Love, _____ when, so, you're loved a - gain.
mf
Love, _____ when, so, you're loved a - gain.
mf
gives no pain; Love, _____ when, so, you're loved a - gain.

45
What's the best thing in the
What's the best thing in the
What's the best thing in the

49 *f*

world? _____ Some - thing out of it, I

world? _____ Some - thing out of it, I

world? _____ Some - thing out of it, I

f

53 *molto rit.*

think. _____

think. _____

think. _____

mp

molto rit.