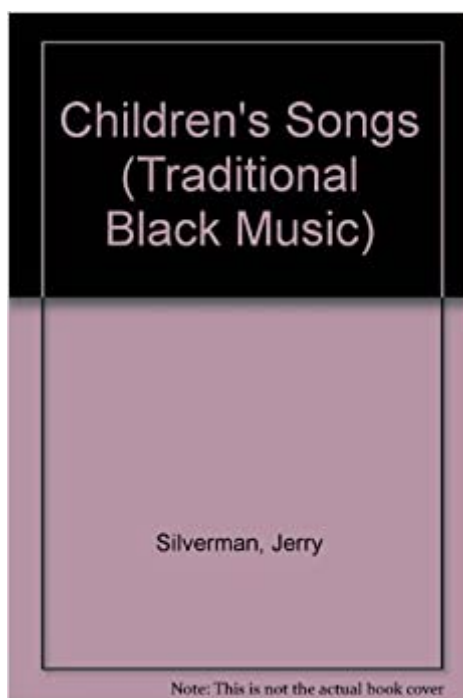


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Synopsis

Thirty songs with an Afro-American source, including One More River, The Gray Goose, and Hush Little Children.

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Kindergarten-Grade 6-A collection of 30 songs, which have their roots in African-American culture. Even in reading the lyrics, one will feel the rhythms and experience the emotions inherent within the selections. The entries include lullabies, hymns, and folksongs, some of which will be familiar; others will be entirely new. Together, they introduce and celebrate the rich heritage of black children in America. Each song is introduced with a paragraph that traces its origins, or briefly explains the story told within. The musical scores include a melody line, as well as a simple chord accompaniment for piano and guitar. Appealing black-and-white archival photos, mostly of children, appear throughout. Title and first line indexes are included. This book has a definite place on library shelves. Beth Irish, Orange Public Library, CA Copyright 1993 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Gr. 4-6, or adults who sing with younger children. Silverman presents 31 children's songs representing the African American tradition, from church songs to folk songs to slave songs that kids have reinterpreted and made their own. A brief introduction, explanation, or source note precedes

each song, followed by the first verse with piano accompaniment and notations of guitar chords and any additional verses. The book includes old favorites such as "One More River" and "Hush, Little Baby" as well as less familiar songs, such as a version of "Froggie Went a-Courting" entitled "King Kong Kitchie Kitchie Ki-mi-o." Occasional black-and-white photographs, spanning the period from the mid-1800s to the present day, show children singing or at play. Despite the charming content of some of the photos, the format is relatively dull. Still, the subject matter and clear presentation will make this a useful book for many collections. Silverman's *The Blues*, in the same series, is also reviewed in this issue. Carolyn Phelan --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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