

♩=165 SWING

Best Things In Life Are Free

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Original arrangement by Paul Weston
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The musical score is arranged for a swing band and includes the following parts:

- Vocal:** Features the lyrics: "The stars in the sky, the moon on high, they're great for you and me because they're free." The first measure is marked "(SUNG 1 OCTAVE DOWN)".
- Alto 1 & 2:** Melodic lines in the upper register.
- Tenor 1 & 2:** Melodic lines in the middle register.
- Baritone:** Melodic line in the lower register.
- Trumpet 1-4:** Four trumpet parts, with measures 4-6 marked "CUP MUTE".
- Trombone 1-4:** Four trombone parts, with measures 4-6 marked "CUP MUTE".
- Guitar & Piano:** Accompanying parts with chord changes: A₇, A₇^{b5}, B₇, E_b7, A₇, D₇.
- Bass & Drums:** Rhythmic accompaniment.

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The musical score is arranged for a vocal ensemble and a full band. The vocal parts (Alto 1, Alto 2, Tenor 1, Tenor 2, Baritone) enter in measure 13. The instrumental parts (Trumpet 1-4, Trombone 1-4, Guitar, Piano, Bass, Drums) enter in measure 11. The score includes a variety of musical notations such as rests, notes, stems, and dynamic markings. The guitar and piano parts are primarily chordal accompaniment, while the bass and drums provide a rhythmic foundation. The vocal parts feature melodic lines with lyrics underneath.

Lyrics:
 9 The moon be - longs 10 to 11 ev' - ry - one 12 th - e best 13 things in li - 14 fe a - re free. 15 16 The

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The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral layout. The vocal line is at the bottom, with lyrics: "stars be - long to ev' - ry - one the - y gleam there for you and me. The". The instrumental parts include Alto 1-2, Tenor 1-2, Baritone, Trumpet 1-4, Trombone 1-4, Guitar, Piano, Bass, and Drums. The guitar and piano parts feature chord diagrams for Am7, D7, Am7, D+7, G6, and GΔ7. The brass parts (Trumpet and Trombone) include "OPEN" markings. The score is divided into measures 17 through 24.