

# The Lightning Tree

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intro

Piano

The piano introduction consists of four measures in 4/4 time, featuring a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The chords are Cm, Ab/C, Fm/C, Cm, Ab/C, Cm, and G7.

5 verse

mel

1 Down in the meadow where the wind blows free, in the

Pno.

Measures 5 and 6 of the verse. The melody line has lyrics: "1 Down in the meadow where the wind blows free, in the". The piano accompaniment features a Cm chord in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand.

7

mel

mid - dle of a field stands the light - ning tree. It's

Pno.

Measures 7 and 8 of the verse. The melody line has lyrics: "mid - dle of a field stands the light - ning tree. It's". The piano accompaniment features a Db chord in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand, with a C chord appearing in measure 8.

9

mel

limbs all torn from the day it was born for the tree was born in a thun - der storm.

Pno.

Measures 9-12 of the verse. The melody line has lyrics: "limbs all torn from the day it was born for the tree was born in a thun - der storm.". The piano accompaniment features chords Fm, Bb7, Gm, Cm, Fm, and Cm in the right hand, with a bass line in the left hand.

13 chorus

mel

Grow, grow the light-ning tree, it's ne-ver too late for you and me;

Pno.

Ab Gm Cm Fm G7

17

mel

Grow, grow the light-ning tree, ne-ver give in too ea - si - ly.

Pno.

Am Gm Cm Fm G7 Cm

21 interlude

Pno.

Cm Ab/C Fm/C Cm Ab/C Cm

24

1.2. 3.

Pno.

G7 G7 Cm

26 verse

mel  
4Down in the mea - dow where the wind blows free, a

Pno.

28

mel  
whi - sper of green in the light - ning tree.

Pno.

30

mel  
Dreams come true when you want them to, if you want them to then it's up to you.

Pno.

34 chorus (harmony line second time only)

harmony  
do-bi doo\_ bi-do-bi do-bi-doo\_ bi-do-bi do-bi- doo\_ bi-do-bi do do do

mel  
Grow, grow the light - ning tree, it's ne-ver too late for you and me;

Pno.

38

harmony

do - bi - doo bi - do - bi do - bi - doo bi - do - bi

mel

Grow, grow the light - ning tree,

Pno.

Ab Gm Cm

40

harmony

do - bi - doo bi - do - bi do do do do do do

mel

ne - ver give in too ea - si - ly. ea - si - ly.

Pno.

Fm G<sup>7</sup> Cm G<sup>7</sup> Cm

43 outro

mel

Light - ning tree. Light - ning tree. Light - ning tree.

Pno.

Cm C F C F C

1 Down in the meadow where the wind blows free  
in the middle of a field stands the lightning tree  
Its limbs all torn from the day it was born  
for the tree was born in a thunder storm.

2 Down in the meadow where the wind blows light  
the lightning struck in the middle of the night.  
Its limbs struck bare by the lightning flare  
the lightning flair was a wild affair.

3 Down in the meadow where the wind blows cold  
the lightning tree stands stiff and old.  
Its branches bent when the lightning rent  
the lightning rent from the firmament.

4 Down in the meadow where the wind blows free  
a whisper of green from the lightning tree  
Dreams come true when you want them to  
if you want them to then it's up to you.