

# I WRITE THE SONGS

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**Slowly**

Soprano  
Alto

Tenor  
Bass

Piano  
*mp*

(A)

*mp* I've been a - live for-ev - er, —

*E<sub>b</sub>* *D7sus* *D7*

and I wrote the ver - y first song — oo —

and I wrote the ver - y first song — I put the words and the

*G<sub>m</sub>* *Fmaj7* *F* *A7sus* *A7*

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I am mu-sic and I write the songs. —  
 mel-o-dies to-geth-er, I am mu-sic and I write the songs. —

Dm Dm7/G G9 Gm7/C

(B)

I write the songs—that make the whole world sing; I write the songs—of love and  
 spe - cial things. — I write the songs—that make the young girls cry; —

F Fmaj7 Gm7 C7 Gm7/C

spe - cial things. — I write the songs—that make the young girls cry; —

F Dm Dm#7 Dm7 G7sus G7

I write the songs— I write the songs. — *NGZ* I write the

*Gm7/C* *F* *Bbm* *F*

<sup>©</sup> songs — deep — with - in *div.*

My home lies — deep with-in you and I've got my own place in your

*Eb* *D7sus* *D7* *Gm*

in — your — soul — in — your soul —

soul. Now when I look out through your eyes, — I'm

*Fmaj7* *A7sus* *A7* *Dm*

young a-gain — I write the songs that make the

young a-gain e-ven though I'm ver-y old. — I write the songs that make the

**D**

Dm7/G G9 Gm7/C C7 F Fmaj7

whole world sing; I write the songs of love and spe - cial things —

Gm7 C7 Gm7/C F

I write the songs that make the young girls cry; — I write the songs - I write the songs.

Dm Dm#7 Dm7 G7sus G7 Gm7/C

① 2 3 4

Oh, my mu- sic makes you dance— and give you spir- it to take a chance,—

F E7sus E7 Em7 E7

R.H.

And I wrote some rock 'n' roll— so you— can move.—

A F#m A

Mu- sic fills your heart,— well, that's a real fine place to start,— It's from me

G7sus G7 G7sus G7

it's for you, it's from you, it's for me, it's a world — wide — sym-phony, —

*cresc.*

Gm7 C Gm7 C Gm7 C Gm7 C

*cresc.*

(F)

*div.*

I write the songs — that make the whole world sing, I write the songs — of love and

*f*

A Amaj7 Bm7 E7 Bm7/E

*f*

spe - cial things, — Ah — I write the

spe - cial things, — I write the songs — that make the young girls cry; —

A C#m7 F#m F#m7 F#m7 B7sus B7

songs — I write the songs. —

I write the songs, — I write the songs. —

Bm7/E A

<sup>G</sup> div. Ah —

*ff* I write the songs that make the whole world sing. I write the songs of love and

*ff* B $\flat$  B $\flat$  maj7 Cm7 F E $\flat$ /F F

I write the songs that make the young girls cry; —

spe - cial things. — I write the songs that make the young girls cry; —

B $\flat$  Dm7 Gm Gm $\sharp$ 7 Gm7 C7sus C7

The musical score is arranged in four systems. Each system includes a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (grand staff). The lyrics are: "I write the songs, - I write the songs. I am mu-sic and I write the songs. the songs - of love and spe - cial things. I write the songs." The piano accompaniment features various chords and melodic lines. Chord markings include Cm7/F, Gm, Gm#7, Gm7, Gm7/C, C7, Eb/F, Bb, Db, C, Cb, Bb, Abmaj7, and Bbmaj9. The word "div." is written above the vocal line in the first and second systems. The score concludes with a double bar line.