Angels We Have Heard on High

🎵 sing along



1 Listen and sing.

VERSE 1

Angels we have heard on high,
Sweetly singing *o'er* the **plains**,
And the **mountains** in reply
Echoing their joyous strains.

🎶 CHORUS

Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

VERSE 2

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

VERSE 3

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended **knee**
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

2 Look at these words from the song.



mountains

The mountains are very high.



plains

The plains are flat and wide.



echoing

Our voices are echoing.



knee

He is down on one knee.

Angels We Have Heard on High

✏️ listen and write: easy



1 Listen and fill in the song. Use the words in the box.

angels | Bethlehem | birth | high | King | mountains | see | singing

VERSE 1

_____ we have heard on _____,

Sweetly _____ *o'er* the plains,

And the _____ in reply

Echoing their joyous strains.

VERSE 2

Come to _____ and _____

Him whose _____ the angels sing;

Come, adore on bended knee

Christ the Lord, the newborn _____.

2 Look and write.



The _____ sing.



The _____ are big.



Come and _____.



They are _____.

Angels We Have Heard on High

✏️ listen and write: harder



1 Listen and fill in the song.

VERSE 1

Angels we have _____ on high,

_____ singing *o'er* the _____,

And the mountains in _____

Echoing their _____ strains.

VERSE 2

_____, why this _____?

Why your joyous strains _____?

What the gladsome _____ be

Which _____ your heavenly song?

2 The song and today's English. Match.

IN THE SONG

1	on high	☐
2	o'er the plains	☐
3	Why this jubilee?	☐
4	gladsome tidings	☐
5	on bended knee	☐

TODAY

A	over the flat land
B	Why are you so happy?
C	up in the sky
D	on your knees
E	happy news

Angels We Have Heard on High

💬 from the song to real life



1 Read. Cover one side and say the other.

✋ COVER AND REMEMBER

IN THE SONG		YOU CAN SAY TODAY
1	 we have heard	I heard it from a friend.
2	 Sweetly singing	We heard someone singing outside.
3	 Come to Bethlehem and see	Come and see our new house!
4	 Shepherds, why this jubilee?	Why are you so happy today?
5	 the newborn King	My sister has a newborn baby.

2 And you? Write two true sentences.

Yesterday I heard … . Come and see … .

Angels We Have Heard on High

📖 the story behind the song



1 Read the story of this song.

This carol comes from **France**. Its French title is **Les Anges dans nos campagnes**, which means "Angels in our countryside".

James Chadwick, a Catholic bishop in the north of England, put it into English in **1862**. **Gloria in excelsis Deo** is Latin. It means "Glory to God in the highest".

2 Who is in the song? Read and say.



the angels

The angels bring good news.



the shepherds

The shepherds are with their sheep.



Jesus

Jesus is the baby in the manger.



the mountains

The mountains send back the song.

3 From the Bible. Read, then read the simple version.

🕯️ LUKE 2:13 (KING JAMES VERSION)

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God"

In simple words: Suddenly there were many, many angels, and they were praising God.

4 Fill in the sentences.

1 This carol comes from _____.

2 James Chadwick put it into _____.

3 Gloria in excelsis Deo is in _____.

4 There were many _____.