Away in a Manger

🎵 sing along



1 Listen and sing.

VERSE 1

Away in a manger, no **crib** for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the **hay**.

VERSE 2

The **cattle** are lowing, the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.
I love *Thee*, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky
And stay by my cradle till morning is **nigh**.

VERSE 3

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask *Thee* to stay
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in *Thy* tender care,
And fit us for heaven to live with *Thee* there.

2 Look at these words from the song.



hay

Horses and cows eat hay.



cattle

Cattle are cows.



crib

A baby sleeps in a crib.



nigh

Nigh means near.

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✏️ listen and write: easy

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

asleep | bed | hay | manger | sky | stars | sweet

VERSE 1

Away in a _____, no crib for a _____,

The little Lord Jesus laid down His _____ head.

The _____ in the _____ looked down where He lay,

The little Lord Jesus, _____ on the _____.

2 Look and write.



The _____ are in the sky.



The baby is _____.



Cows eat _____.



This is my _____.

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✏️ listen and write: harder



1 Listen and fill in the song.

VERSE 1

Away in a manger, no _____ for a bed,

The little Lord Jesus _____ down His sweet _____.

The stars in the sky _____ down where He _____,

The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the _____.

VERSE 2

The _____ are _____, the baby _____,

But little Lord Jesus, no _____ He makes.

I love _____, Lord Jesus! Look down from the _____

And stay by my _____ till _____ is _____.

2 The song and today's English. Match.

IN THE SONG

1	No crib for a bed	☐
2	The cattle are lowing	☐
3	The baby awakes	☐
4	No crying He makes	☐
5	Till morning is nigh	☐

TODAY

A	He isn't crying.
B	He has no bed.
C	until it is almost morning
D	The cows are making a noise.
E	The baby wakes up.

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💬 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	😴 Asleep on the hay	Is the baby asleep?
2	🛏️ No crib for a bed	We need a crib for the baby.
3	⭐ The stars in the sky	Look! You can see the stars tonight.
4	🤦 Stay by my cradle	Can you stay with me for a minute?
5	👫 Close by me	Can you stay close by?
6	⏰ The baby awakes	I woke up very early today.

2 And you? Write two true sentences.

I go to bed at … . Today I woke up at … .

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📖 the story behind the song



1 Read the story of this song.

For many years, people said **Martin Luther** wrote this song for his children. That is a legend. Today we believe it is an **American** song from the 1800s.

It has two popular melodies. The words are simple and the song is slow, so it is good for young children.

2 Who is in the song? Read and say.

👩 **Mary**	👶 **Jesus**	🐄 **the cattle**	⭐ **the star**
Mary is the mother of Jesus.	Jesus is the baby in the manger.	The cattle are near the baby.	The star shines over Bethlehem.

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

🕯️ LUKE 2:7 (KING JAMES VERSION)

"And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn."

In simple words: Mary had her first son. There was no room at the inn, so she put him in a manger.

4 Fill in the sentences.

1 Martin Luther did not _____ this song.

2 It is an _____ song.

3 There was no room in the _____.

4 Mary put the baby in a _____.