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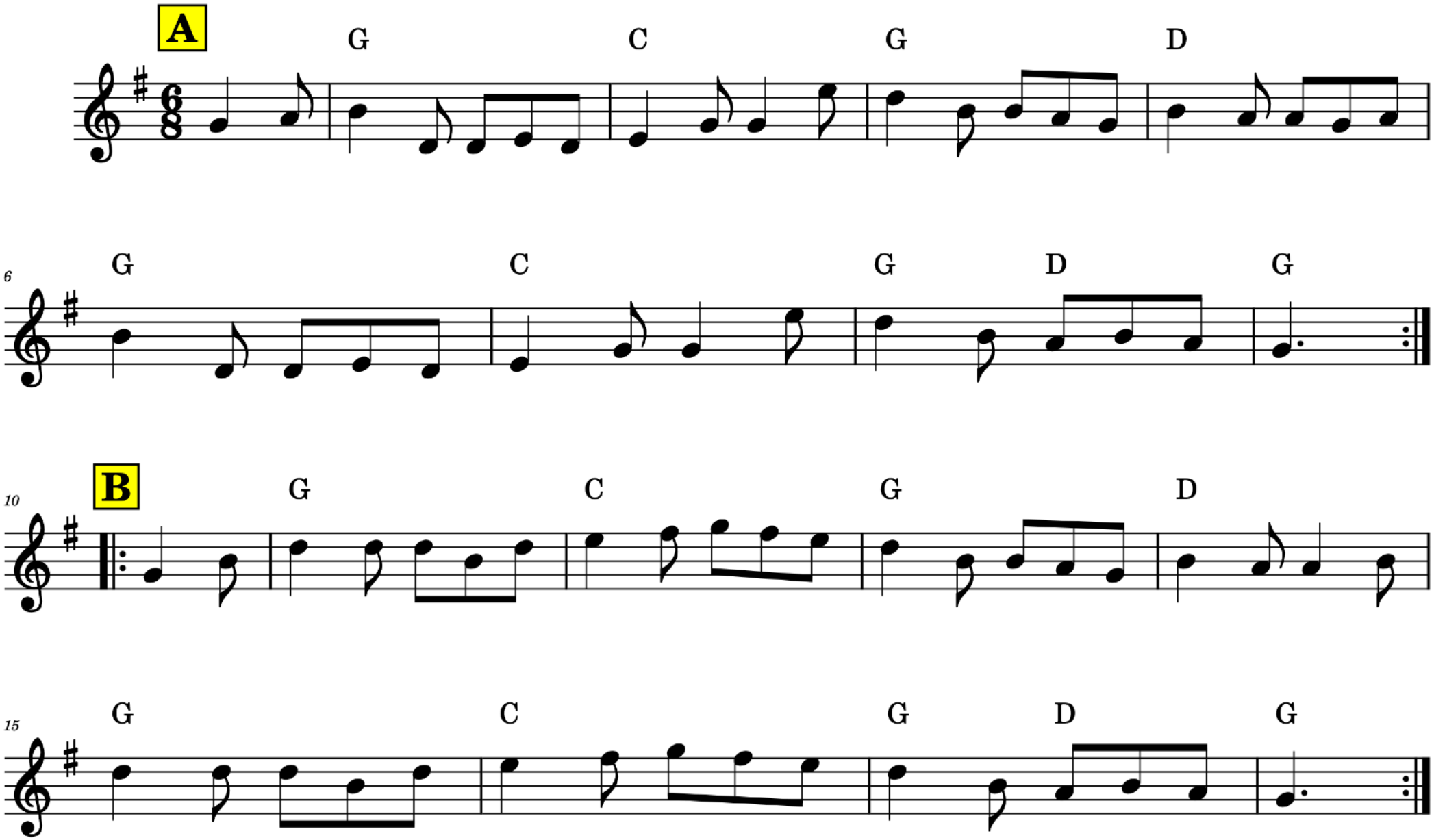
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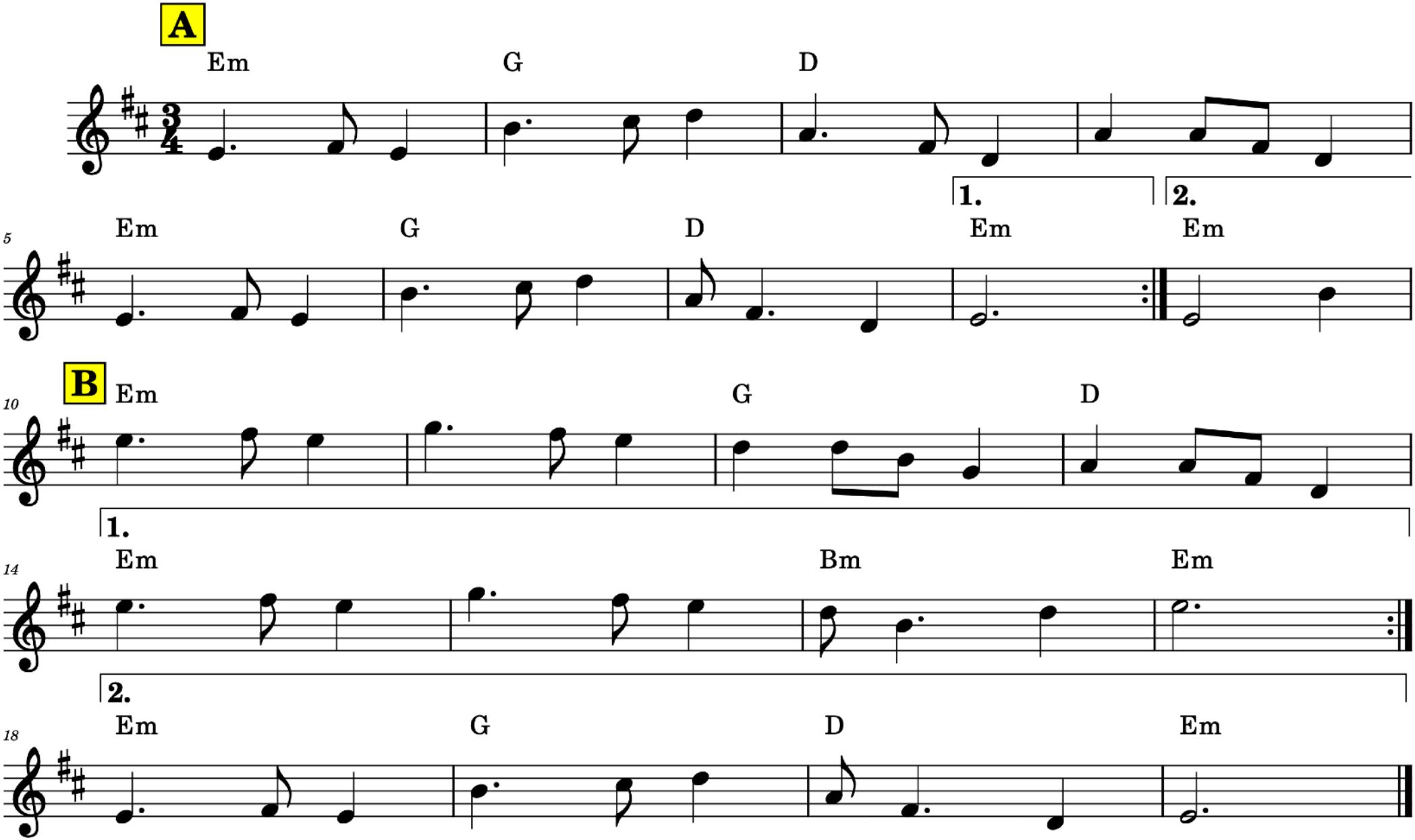
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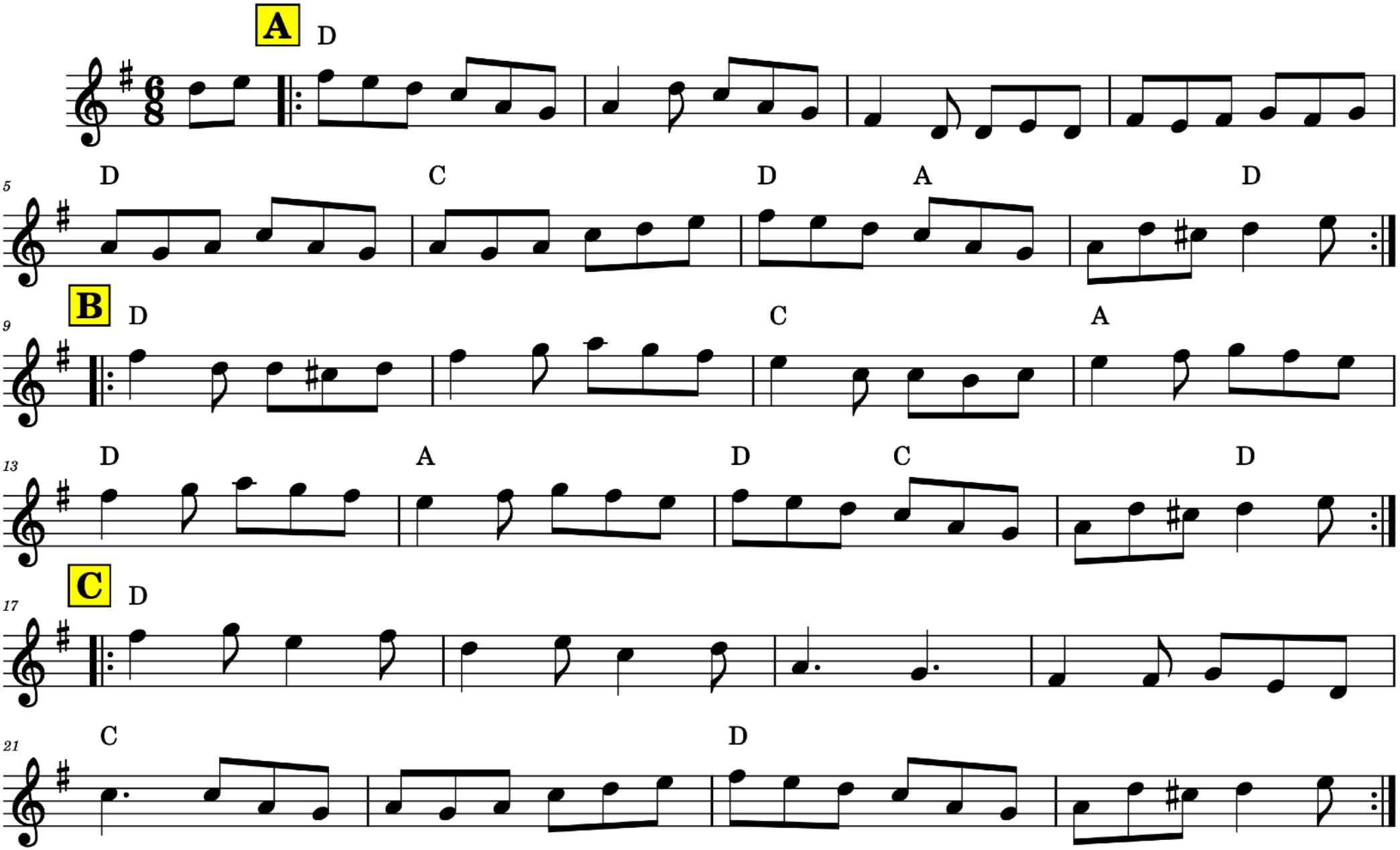
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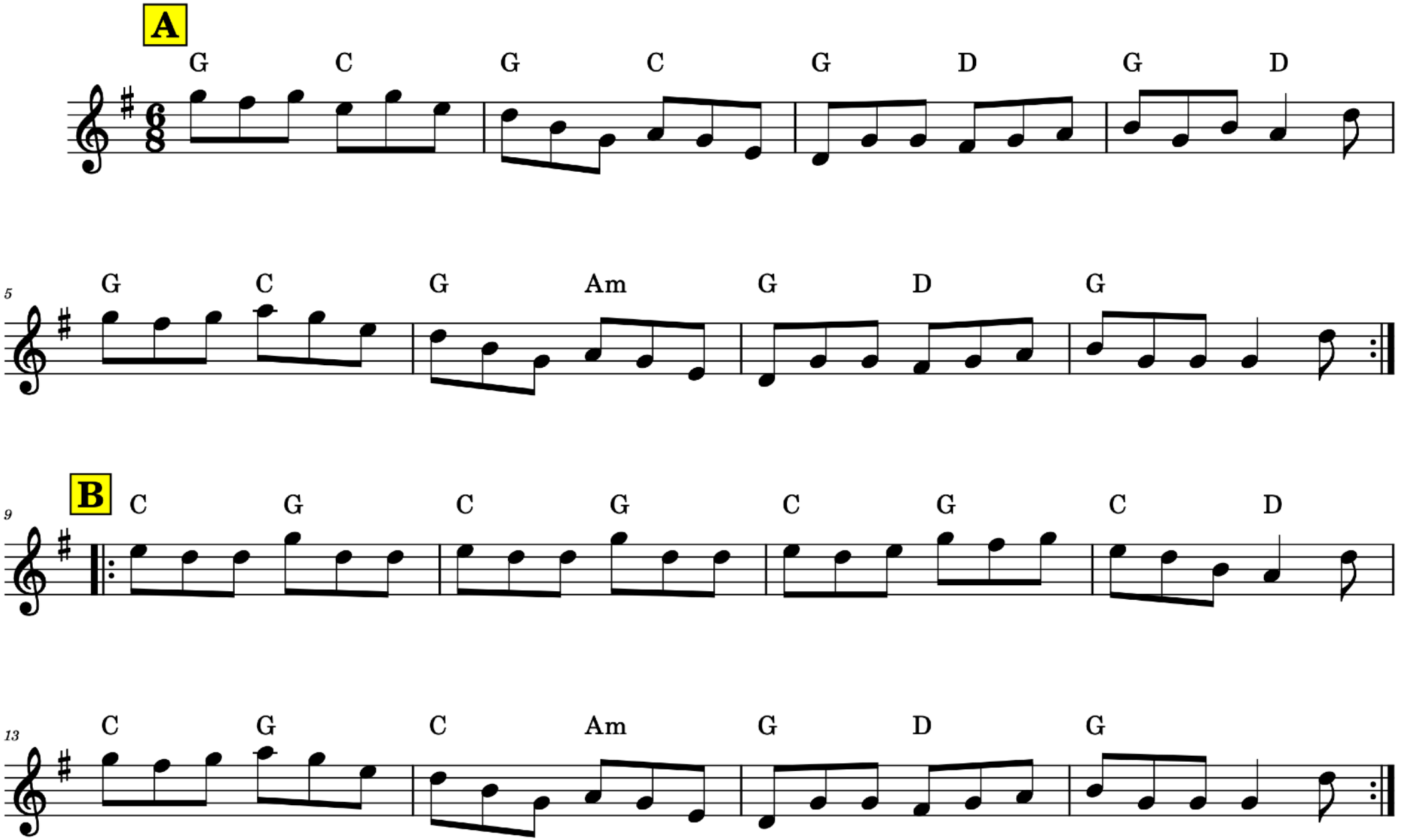


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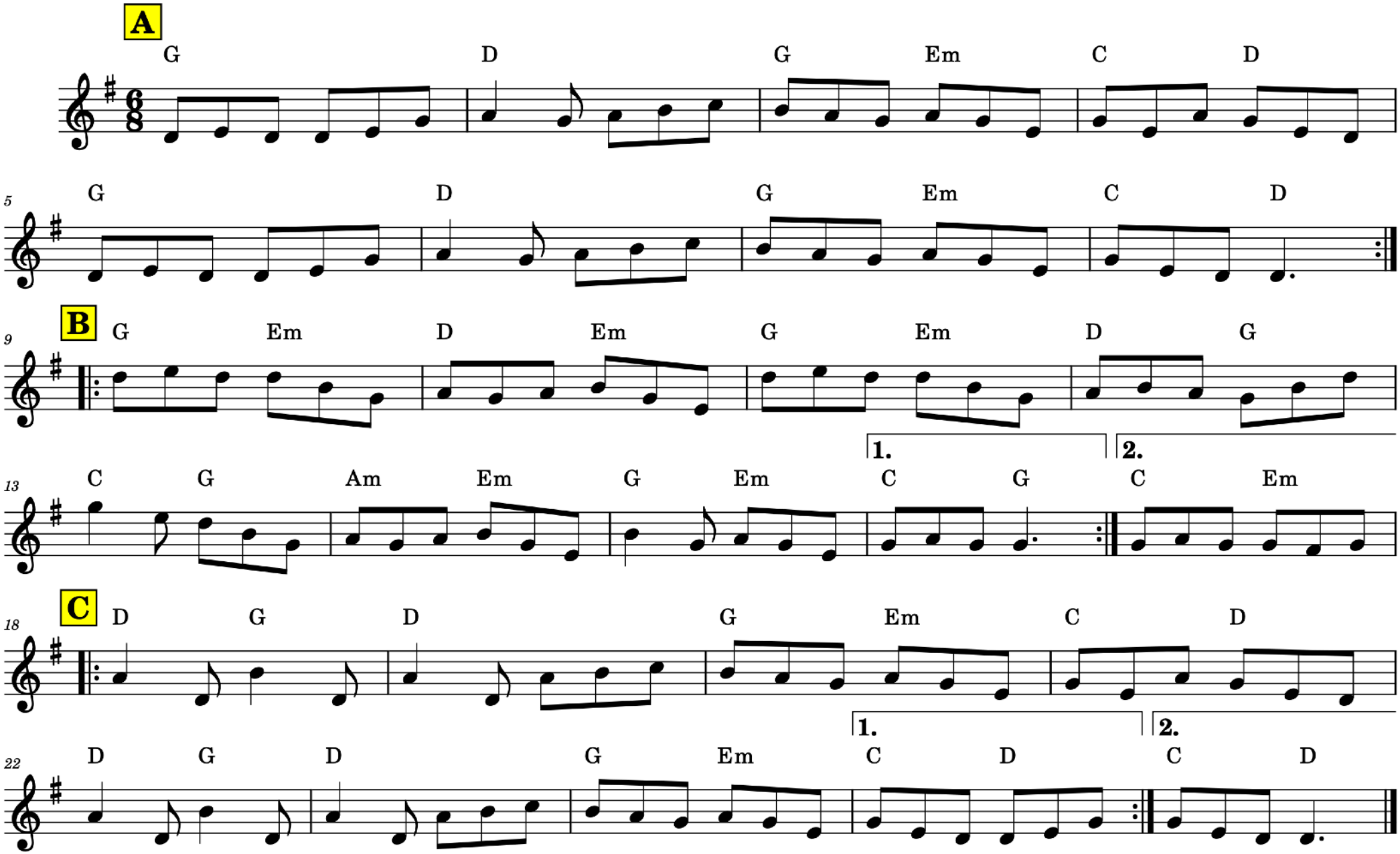


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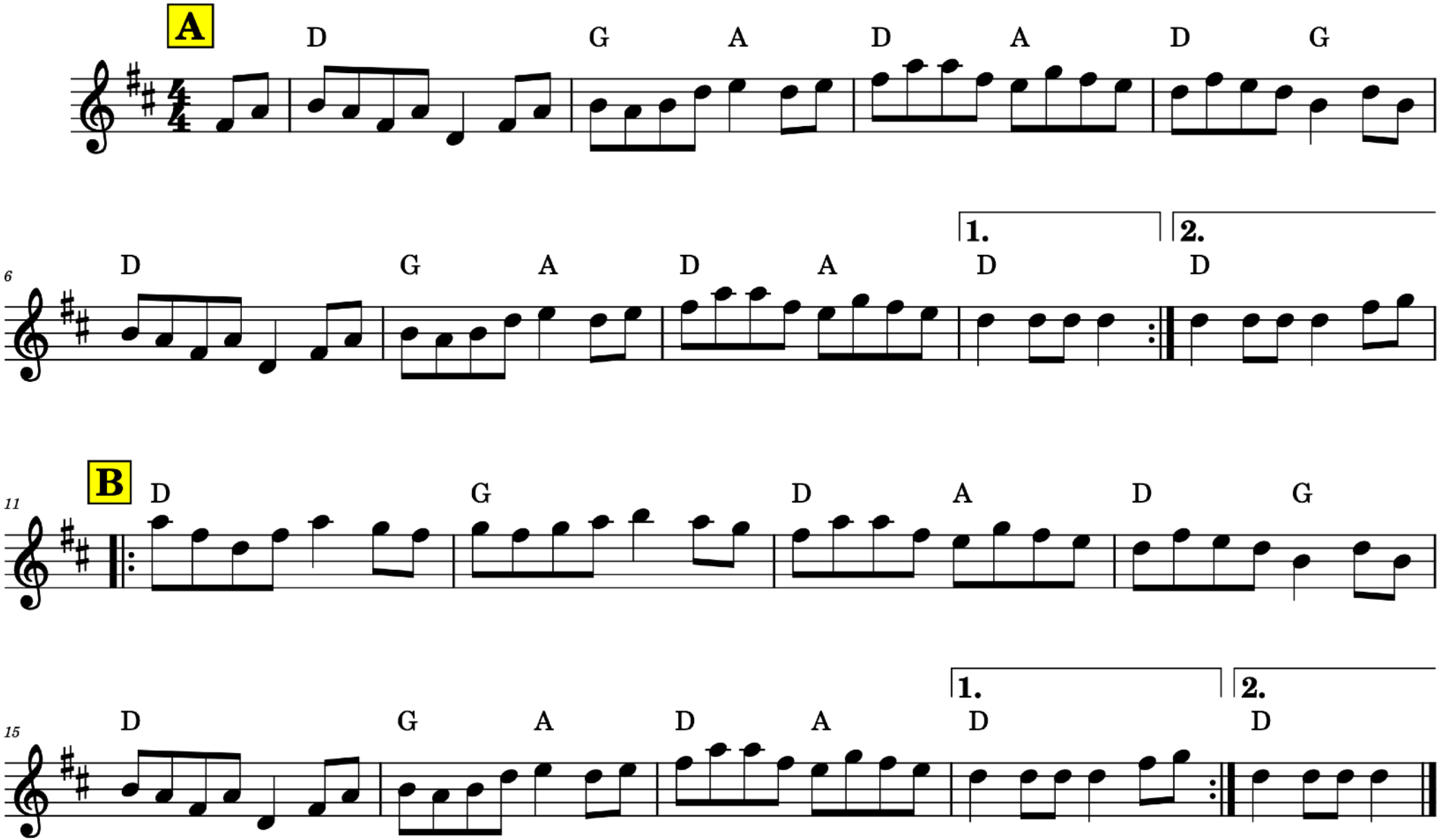


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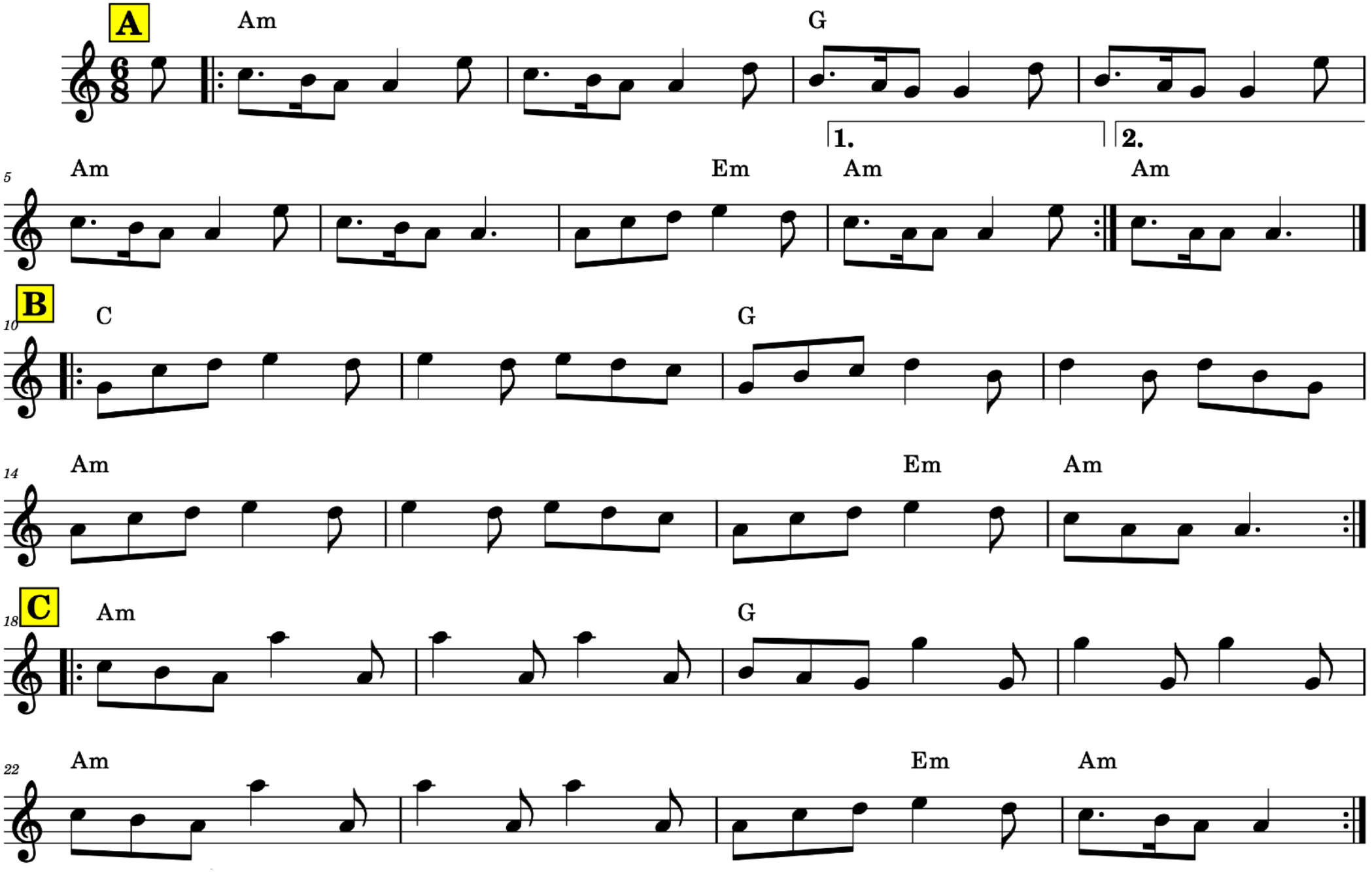


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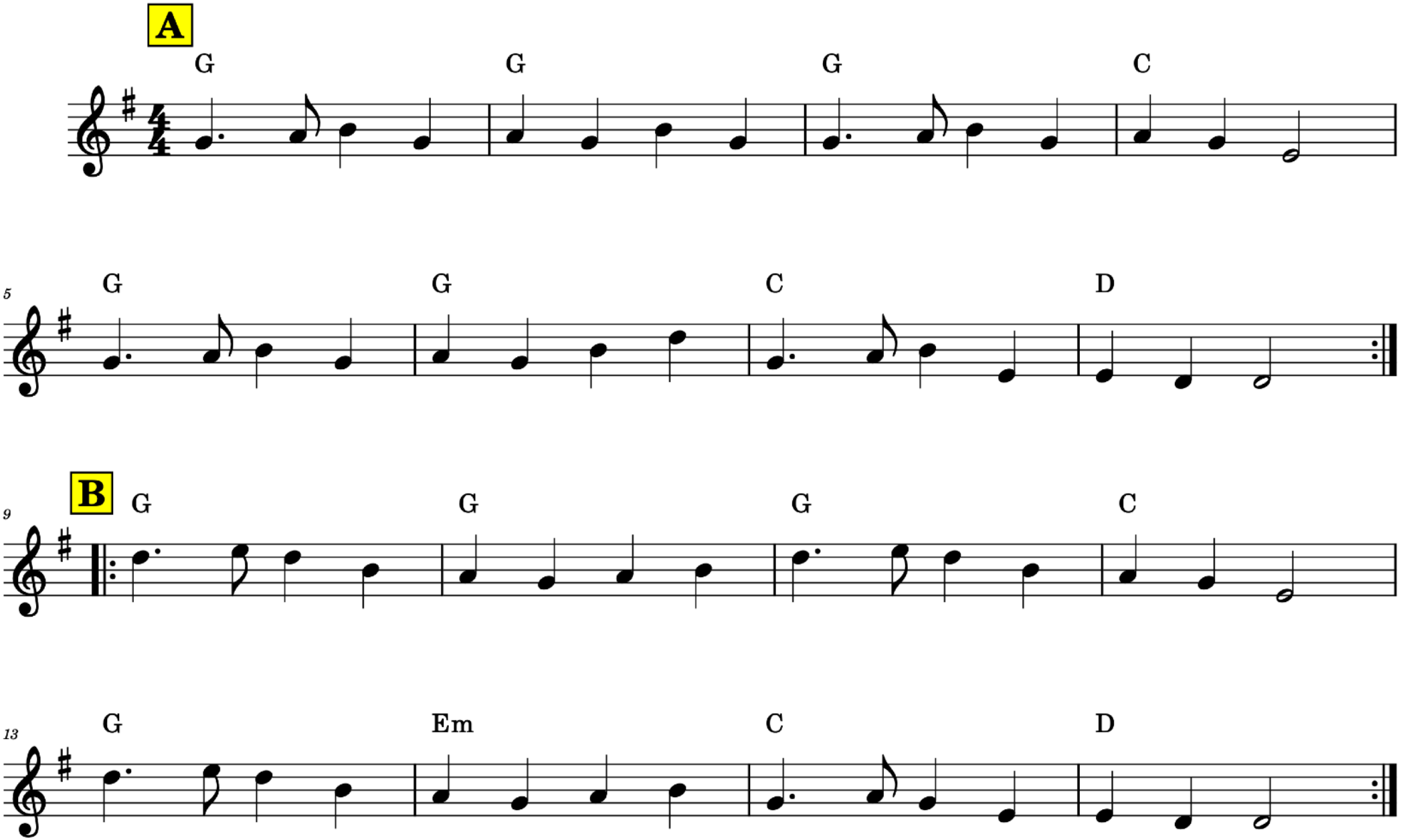
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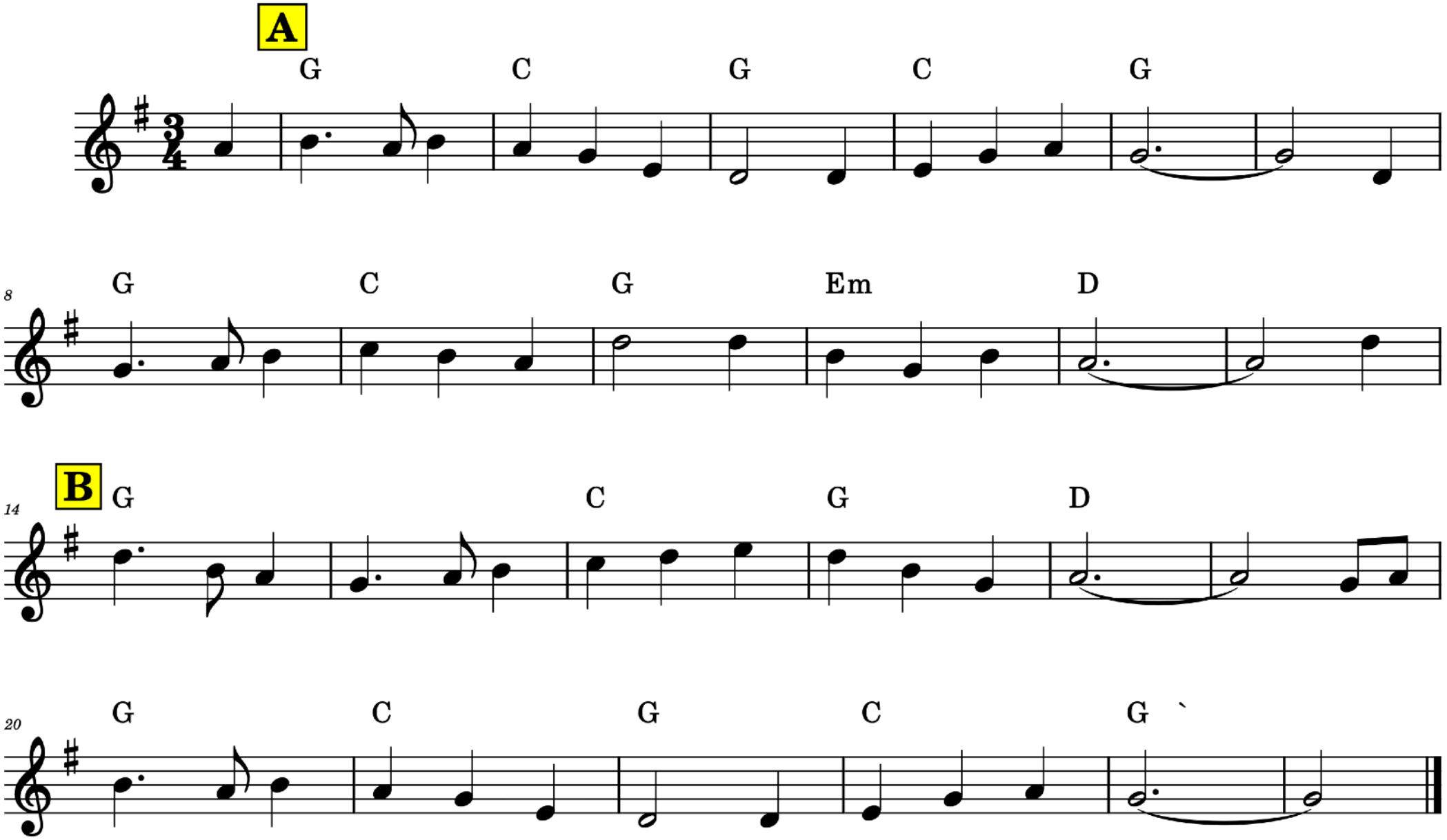
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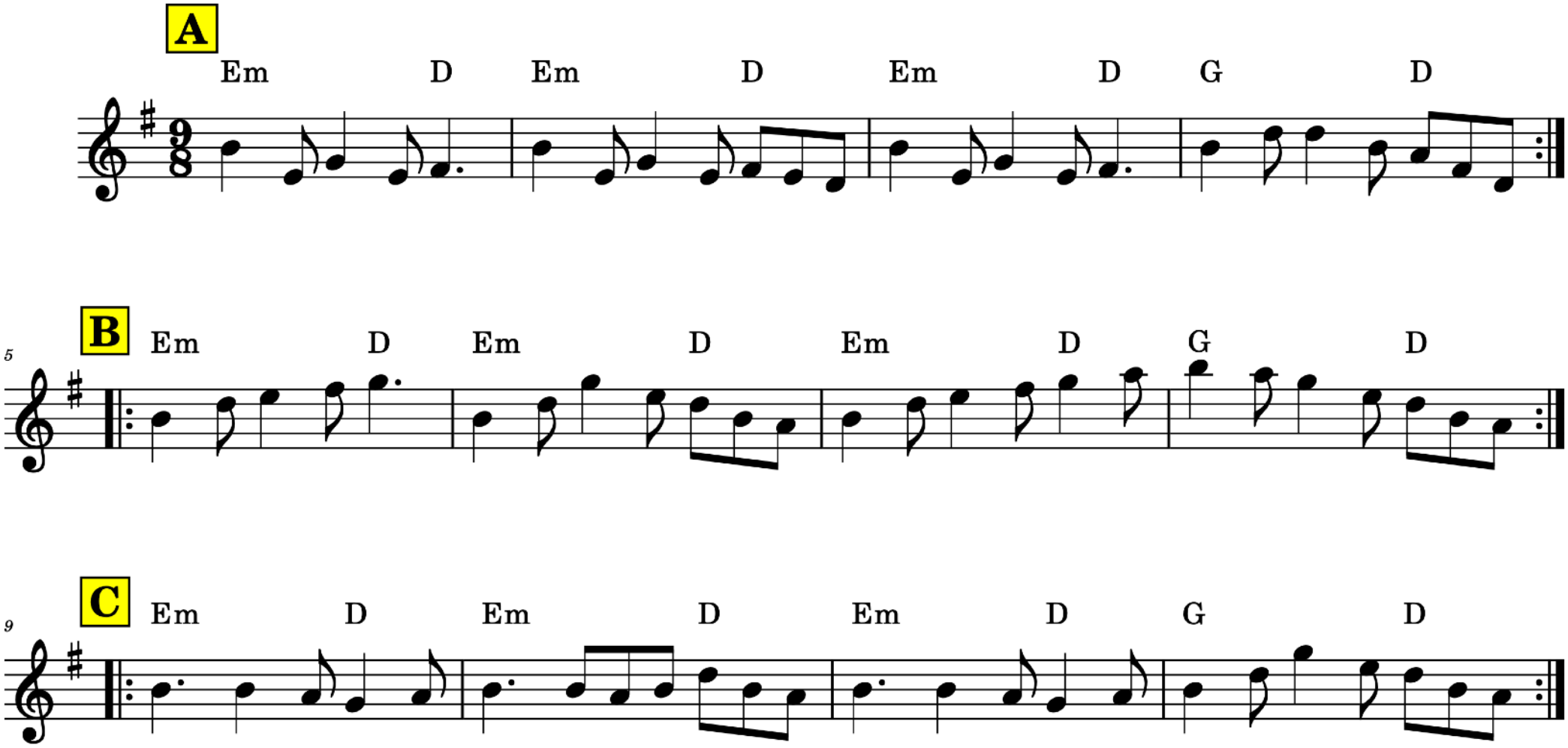


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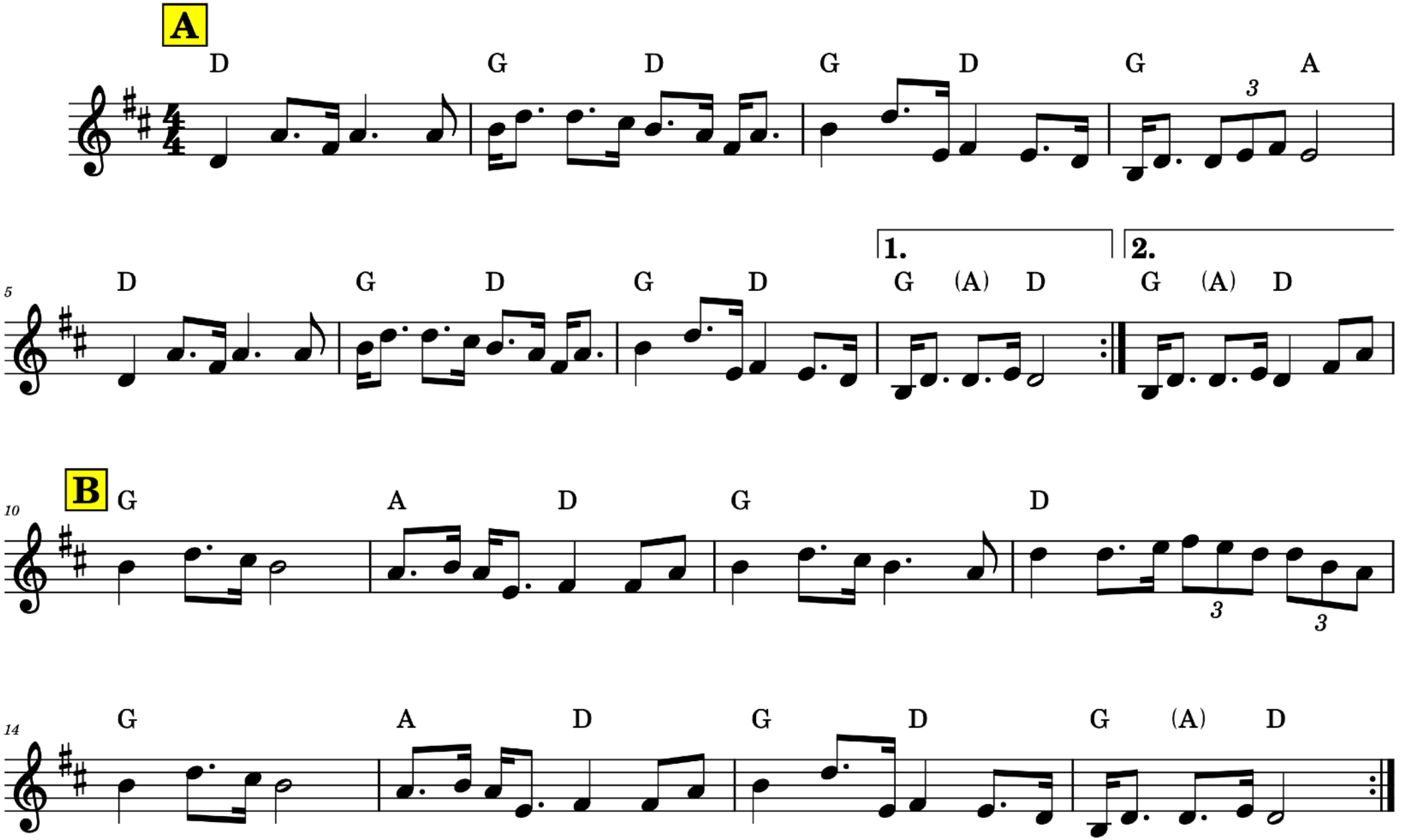


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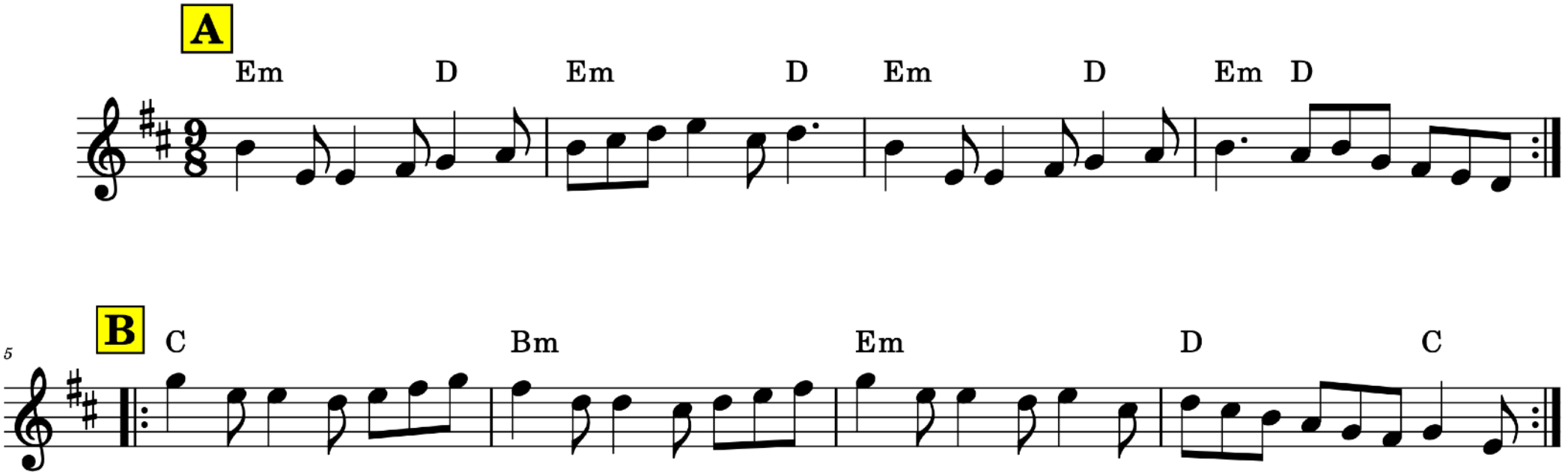
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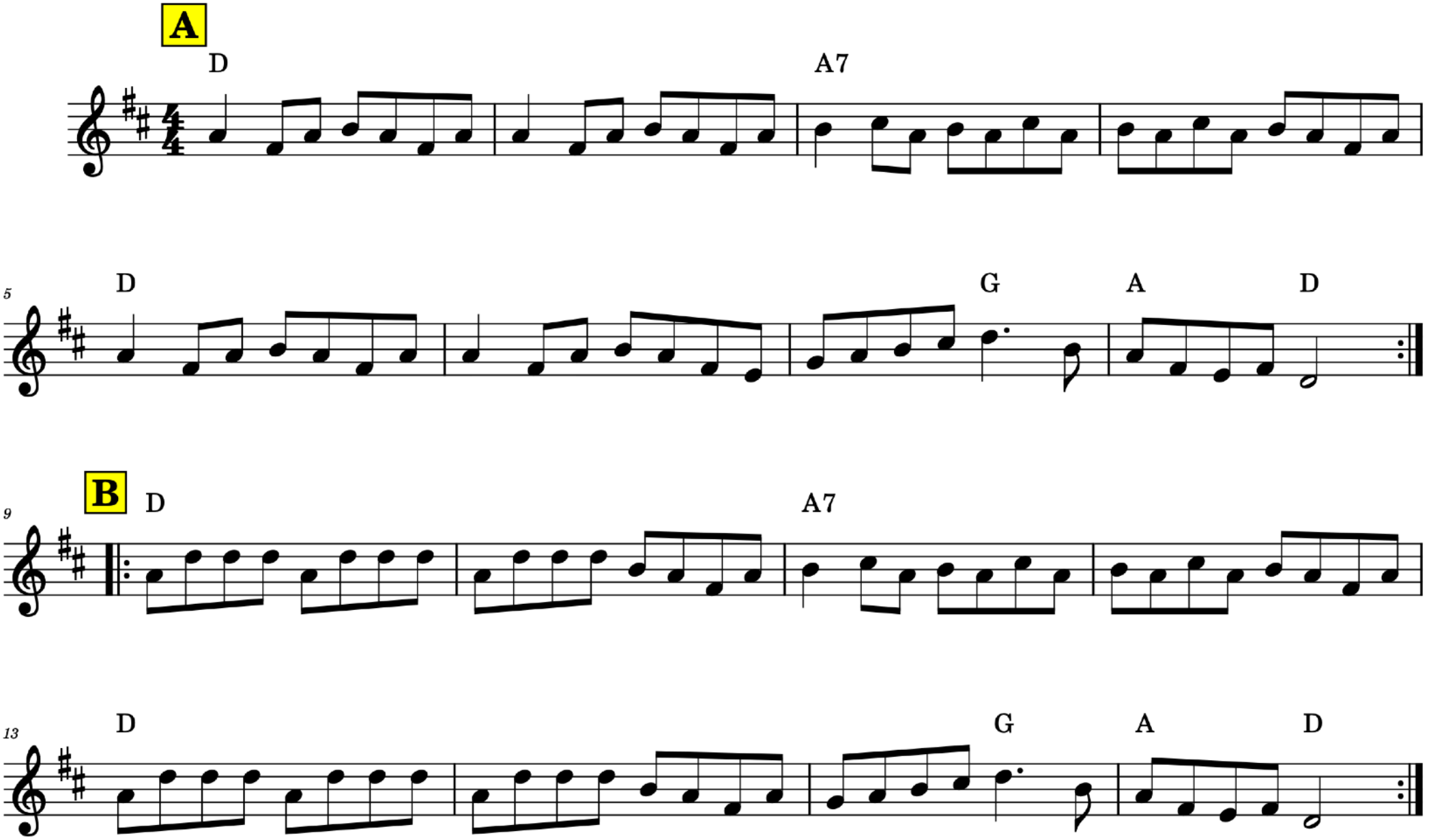


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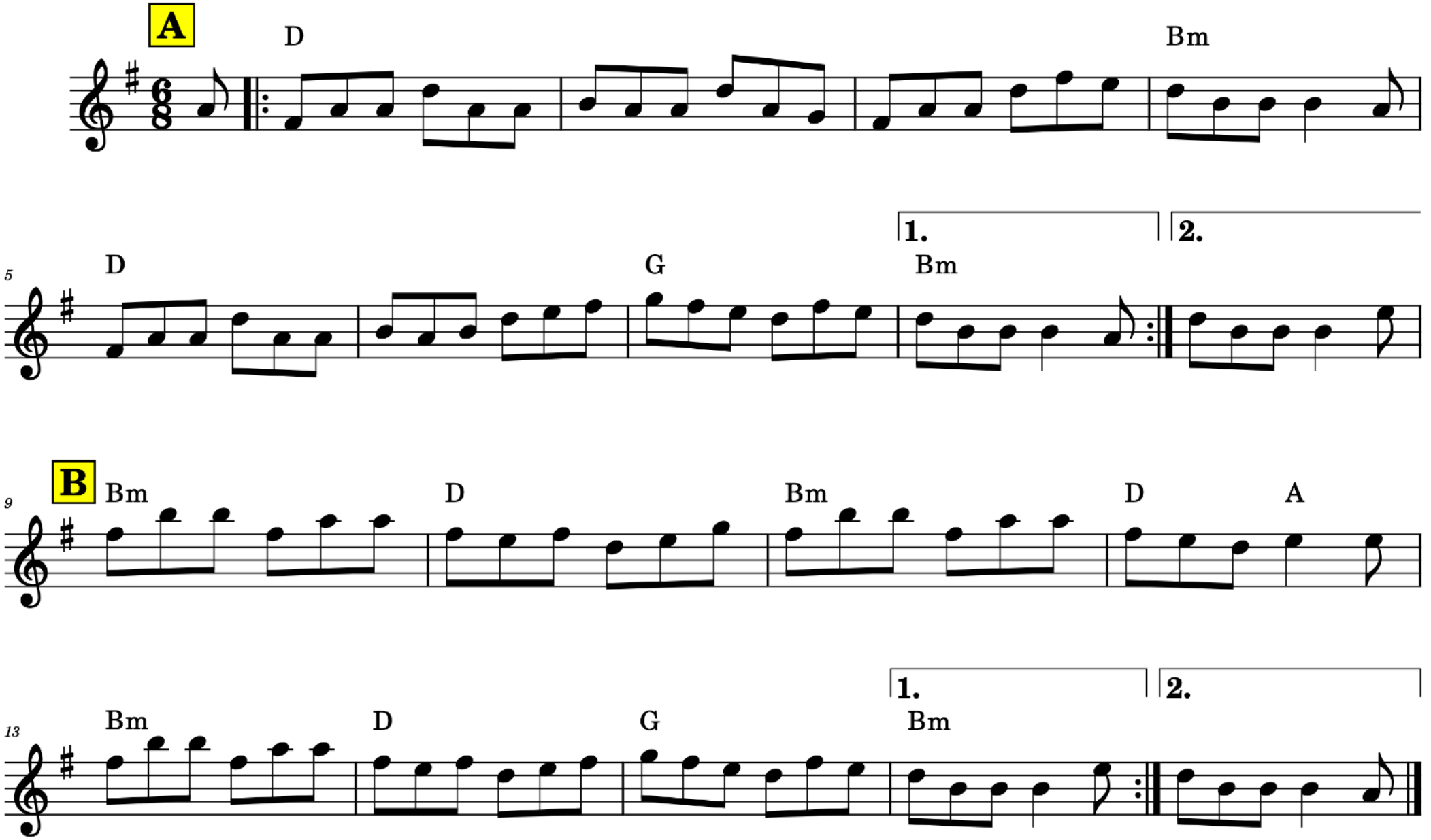


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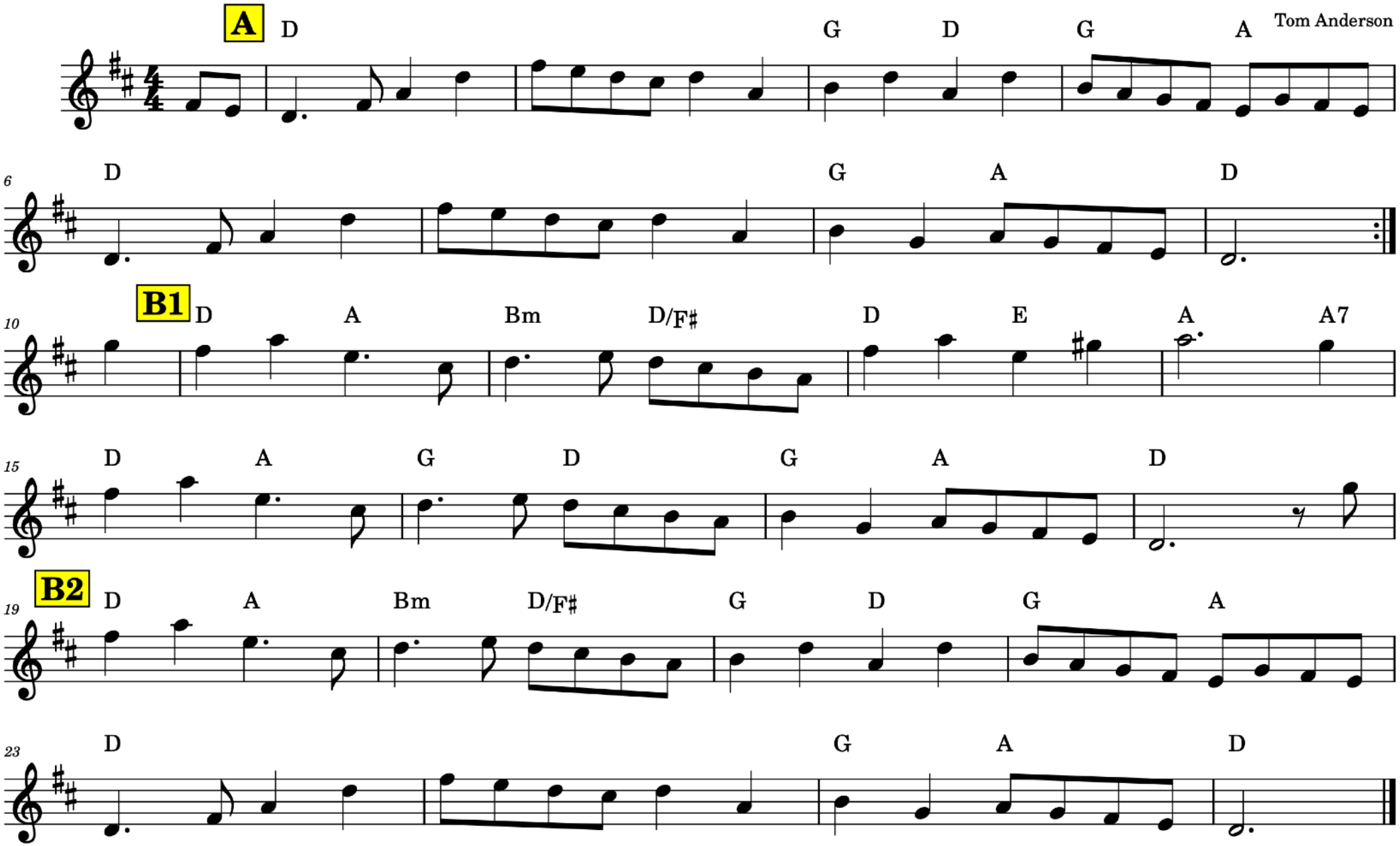


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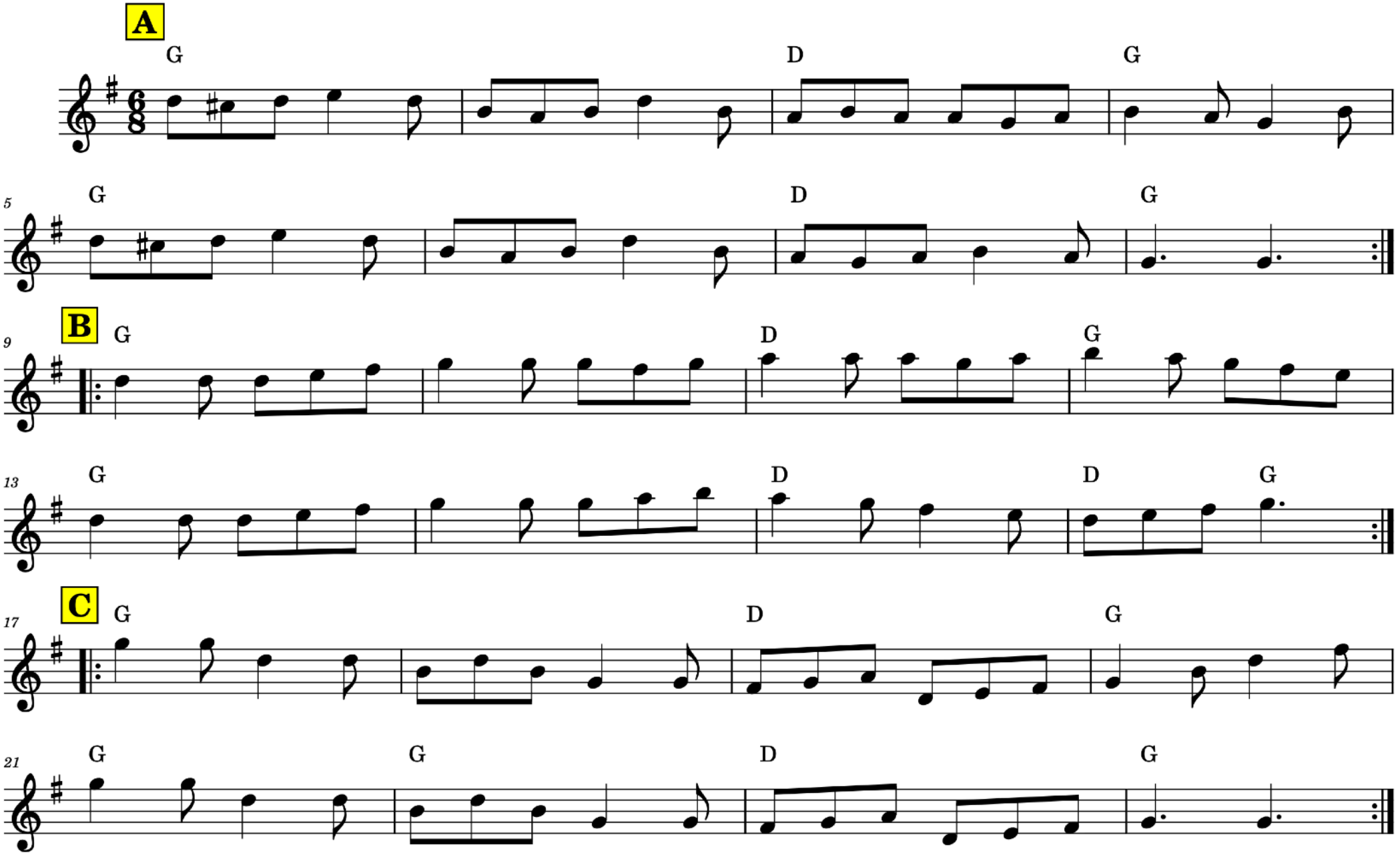


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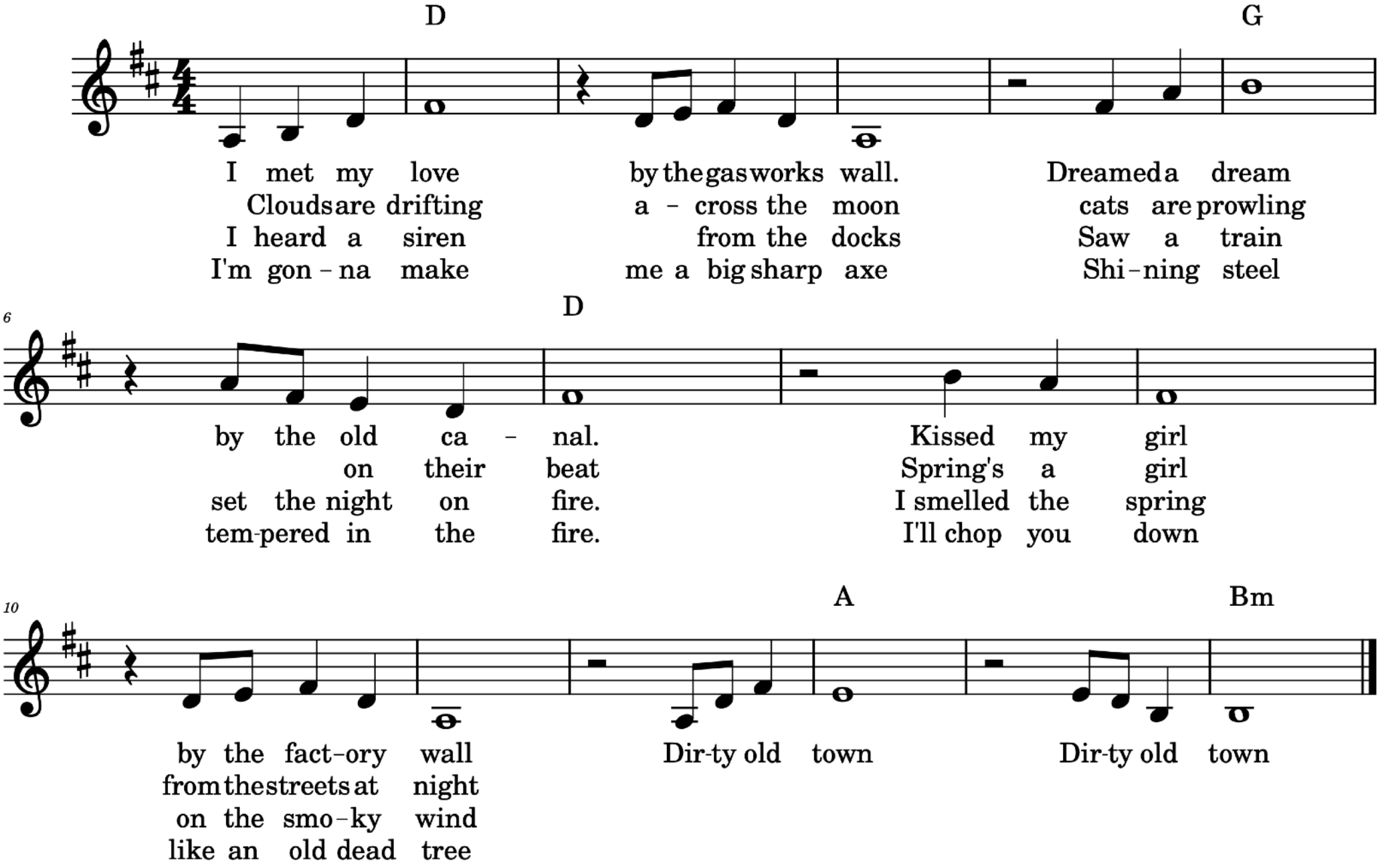


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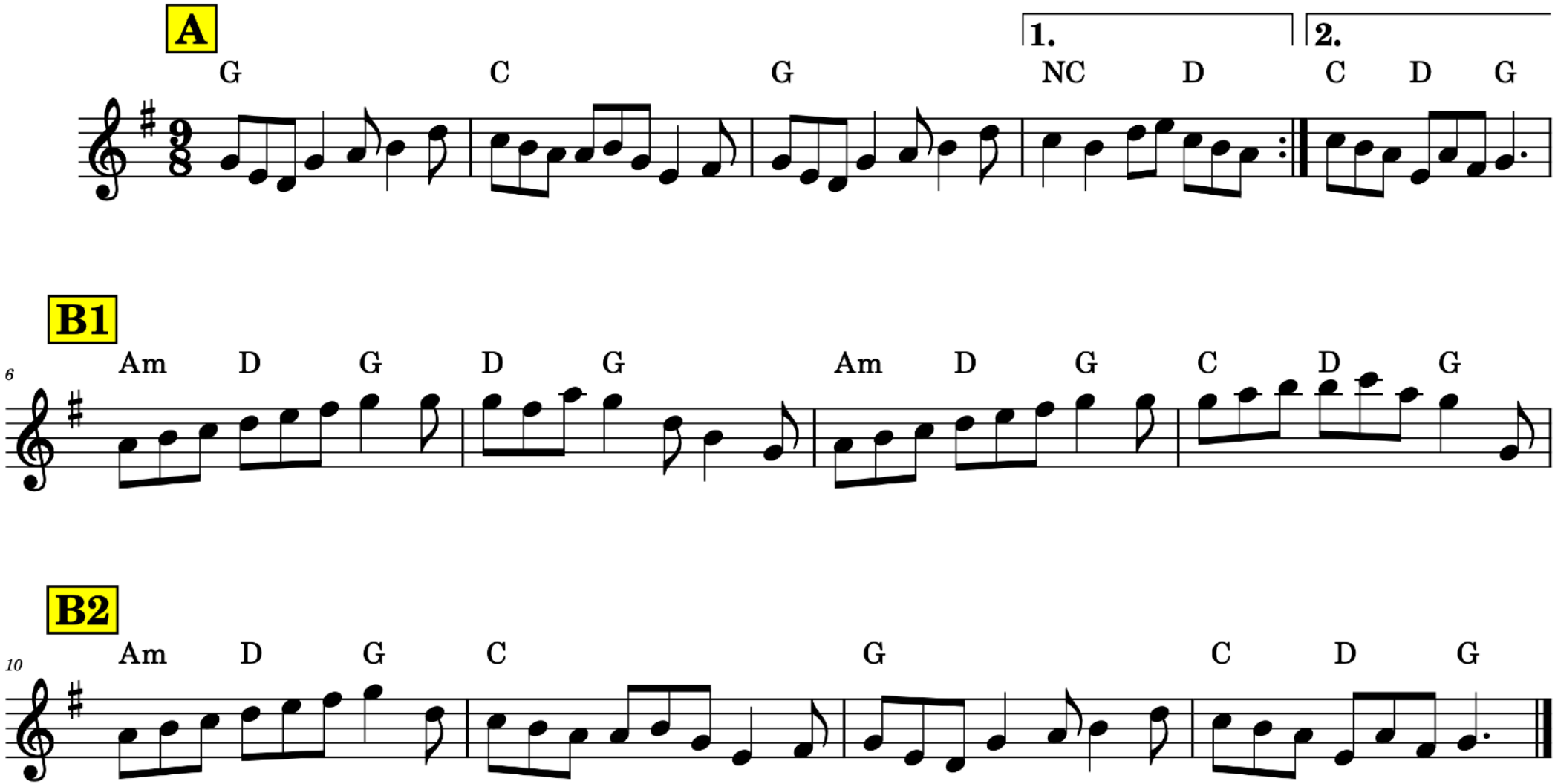


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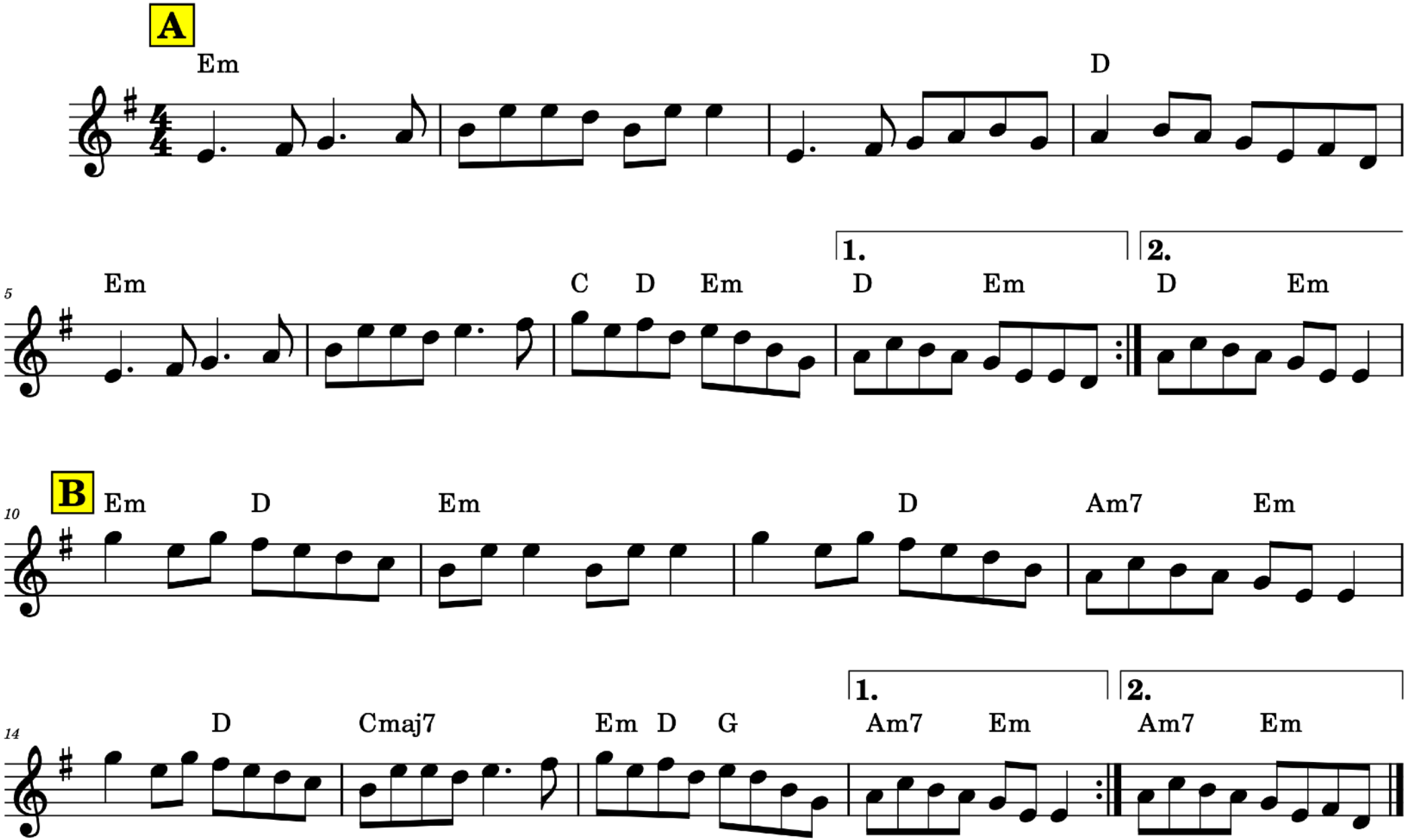


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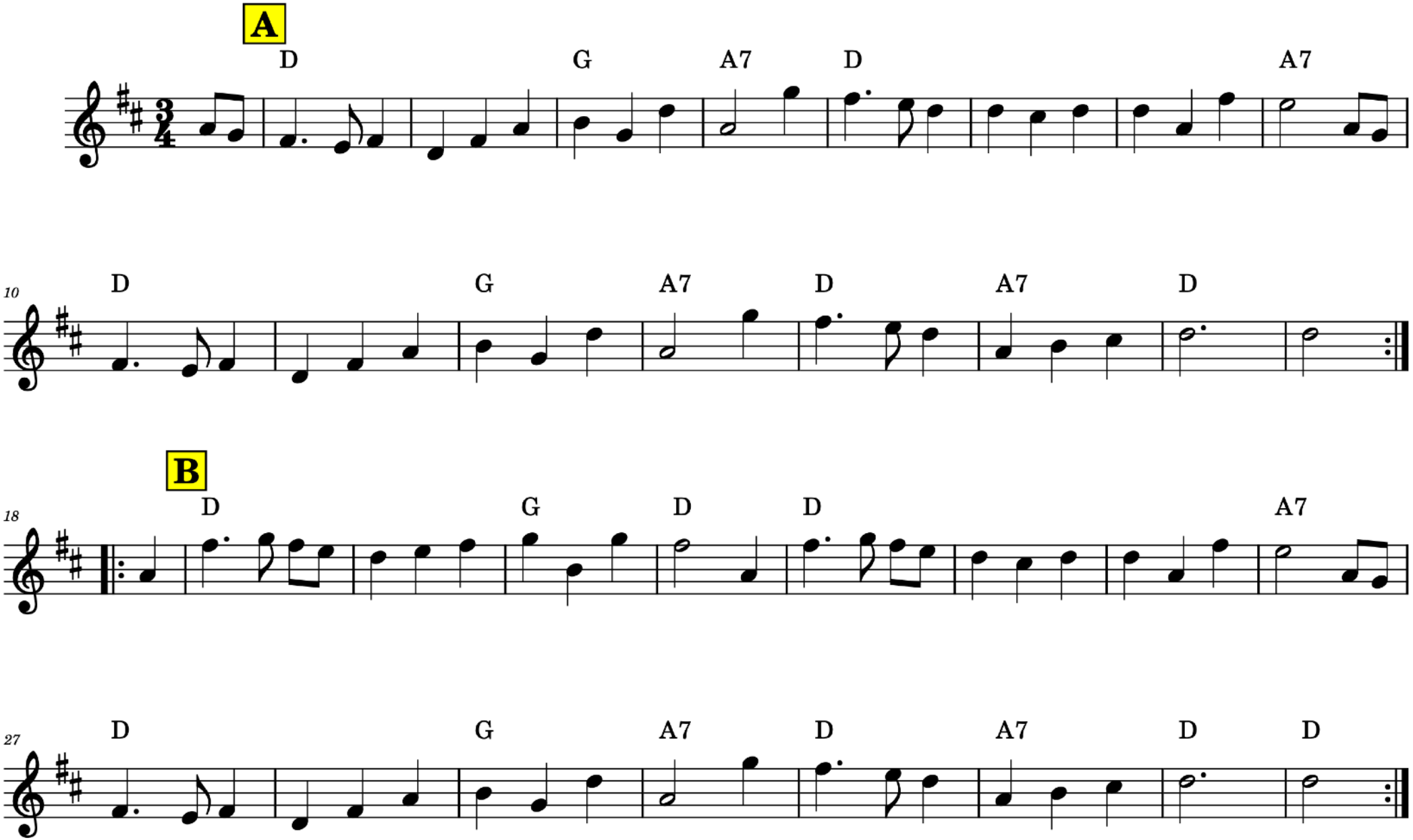
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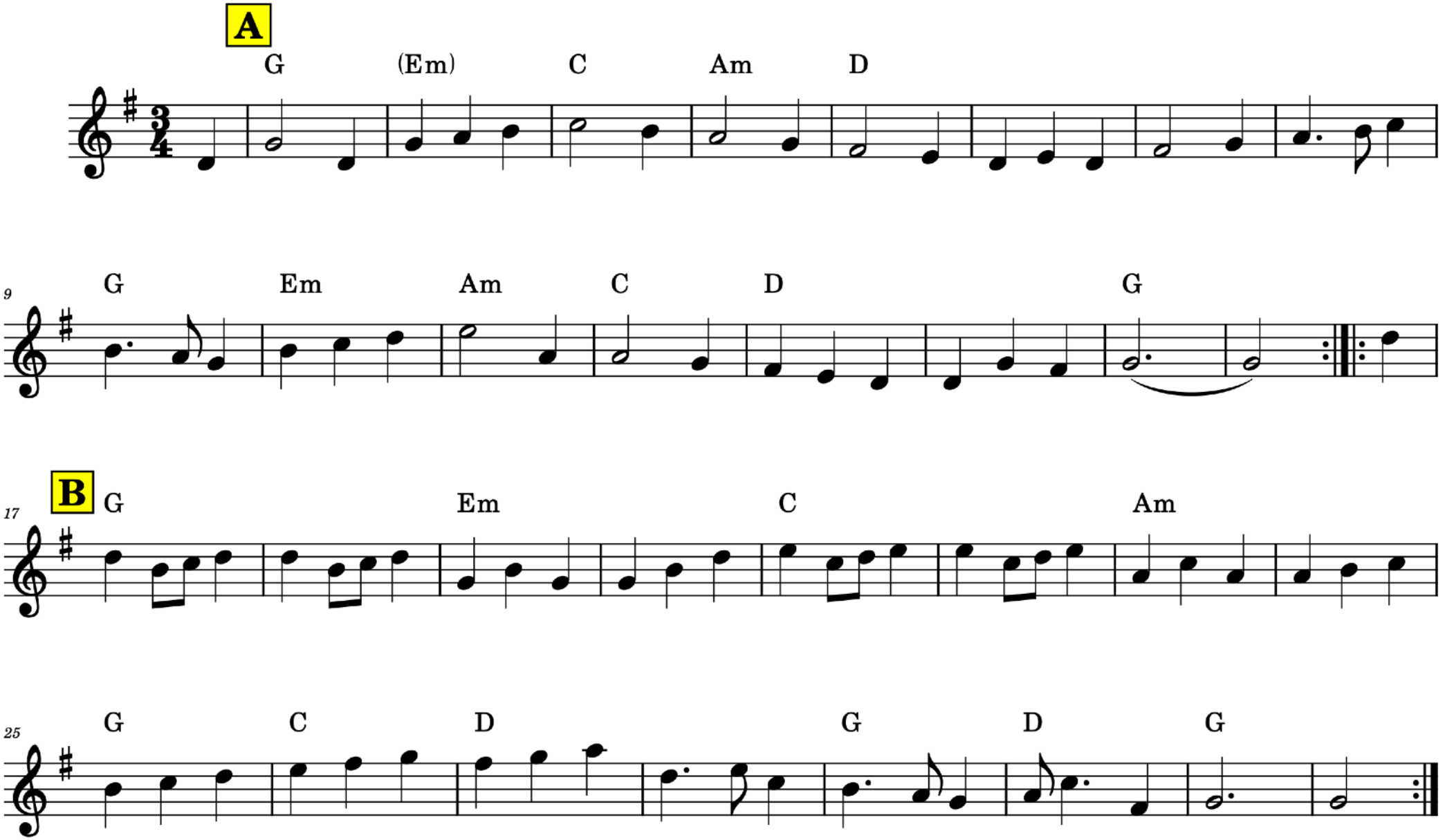
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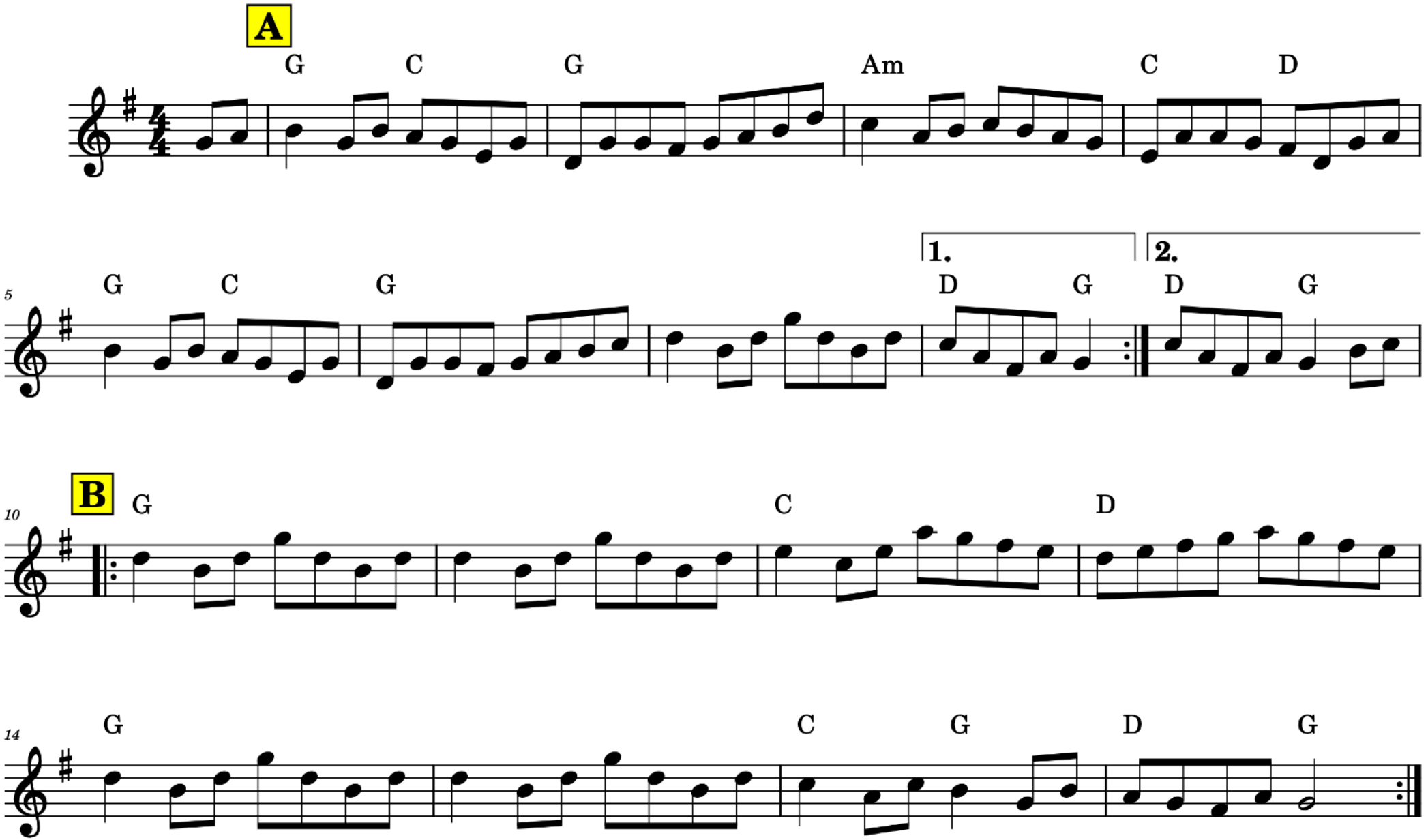


Fanny Powers 🐢



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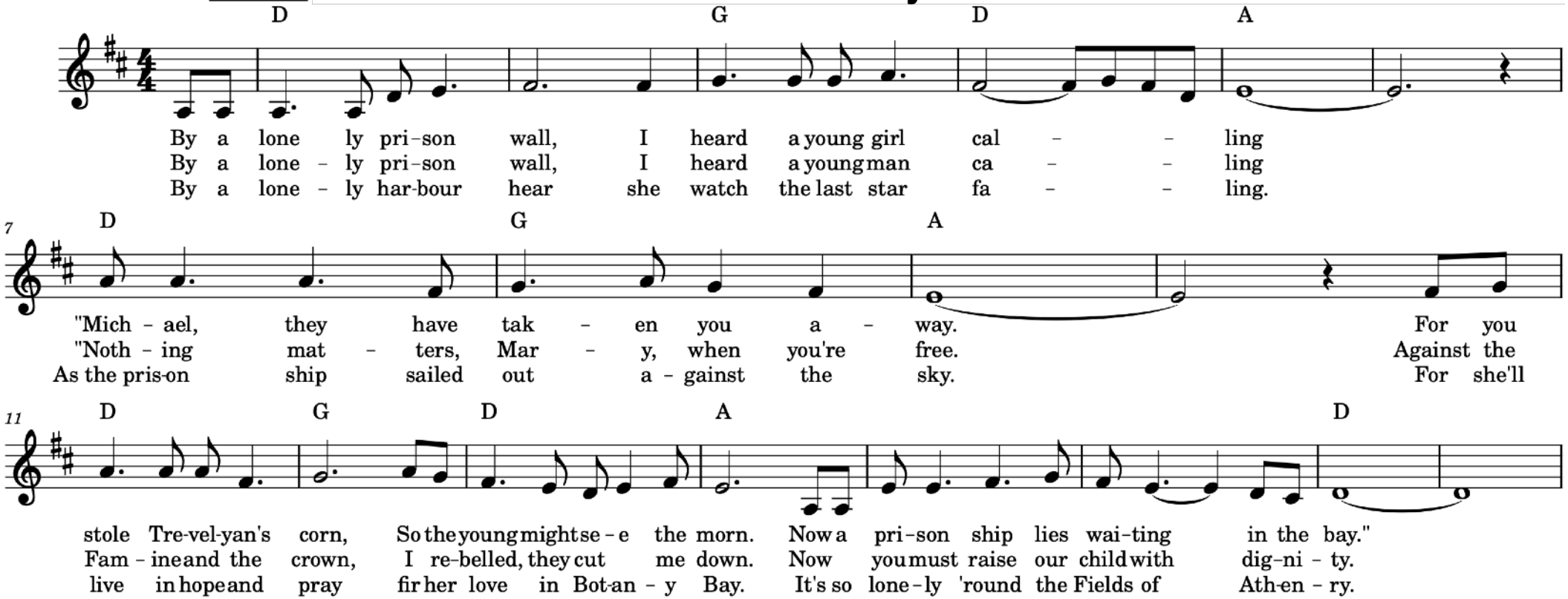
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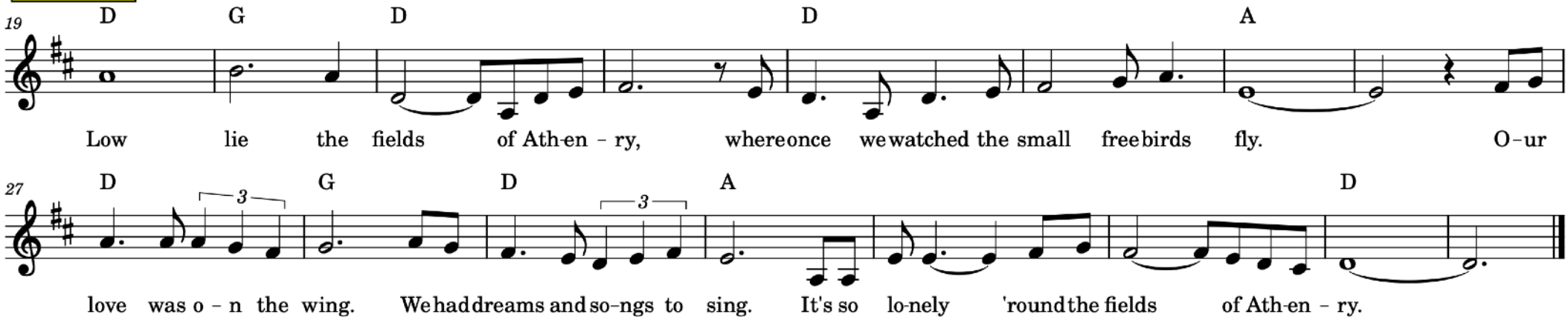
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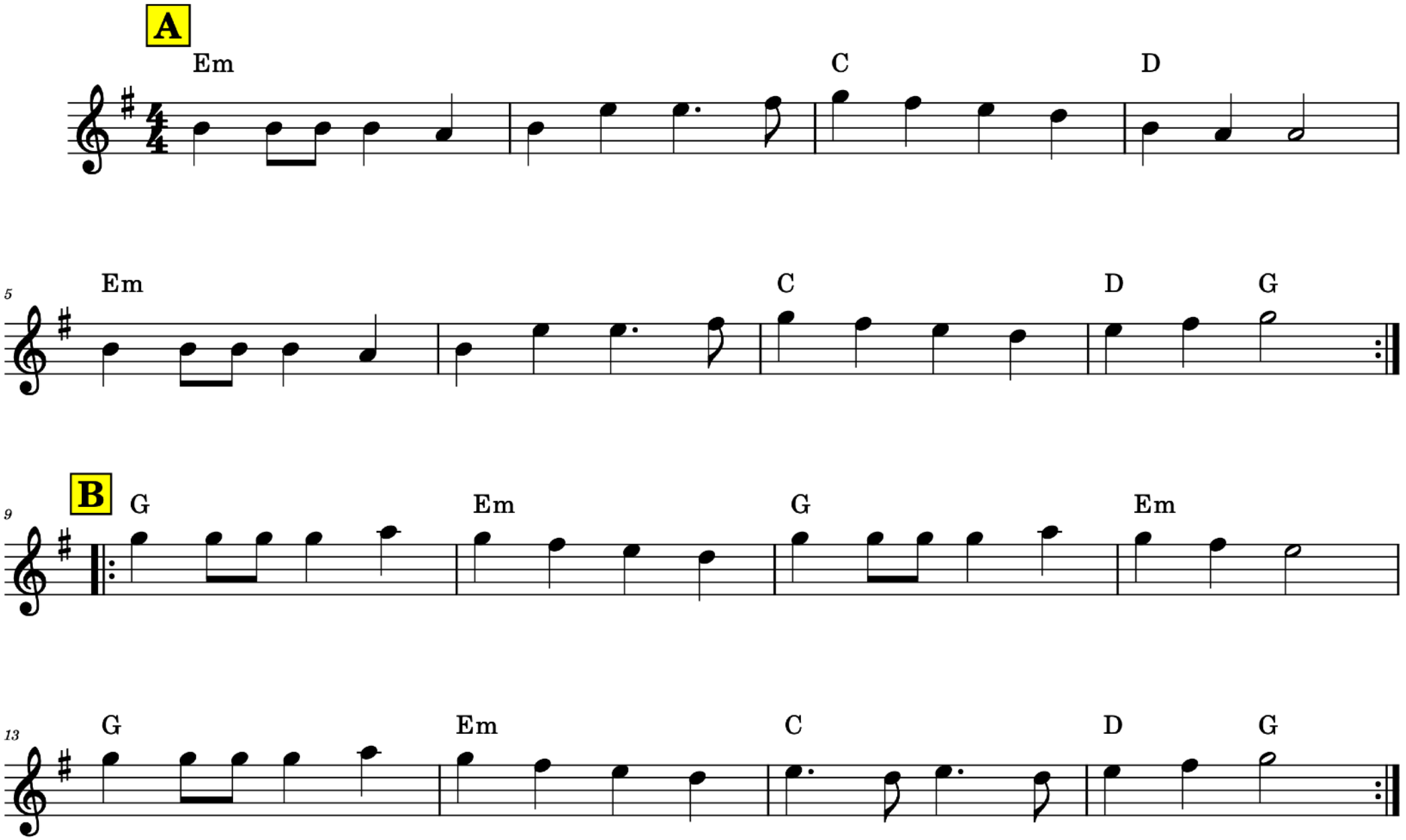
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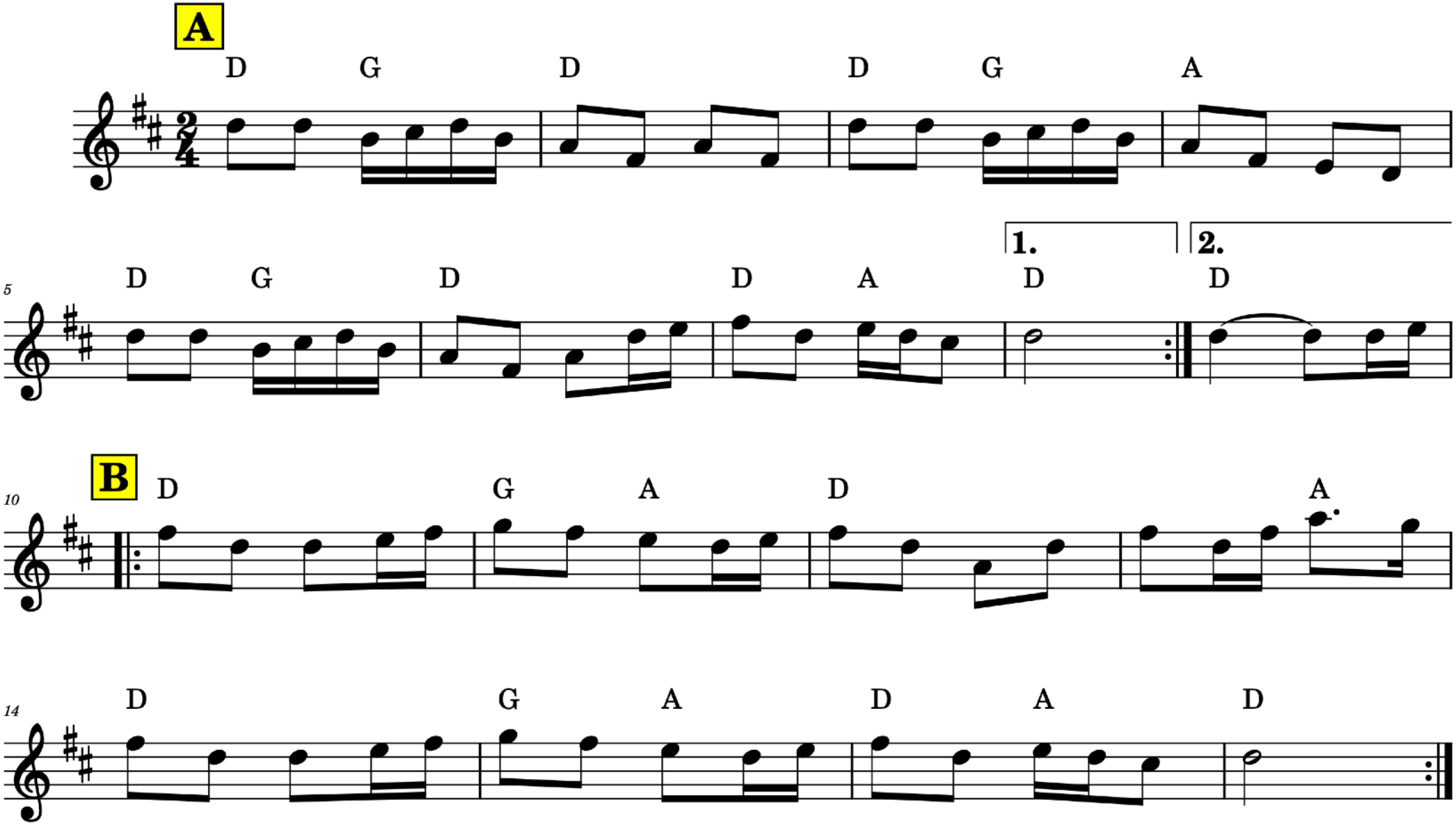
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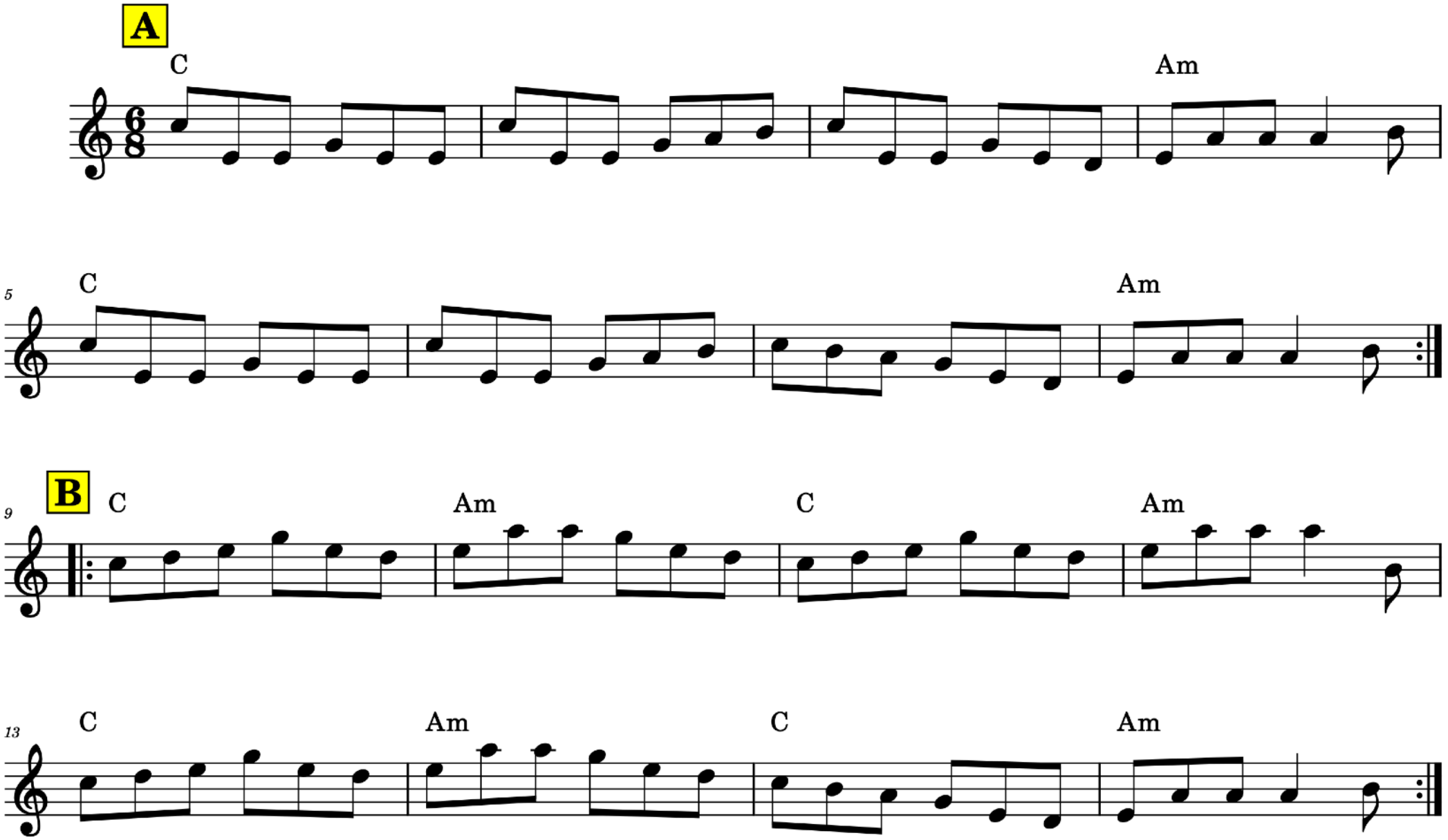


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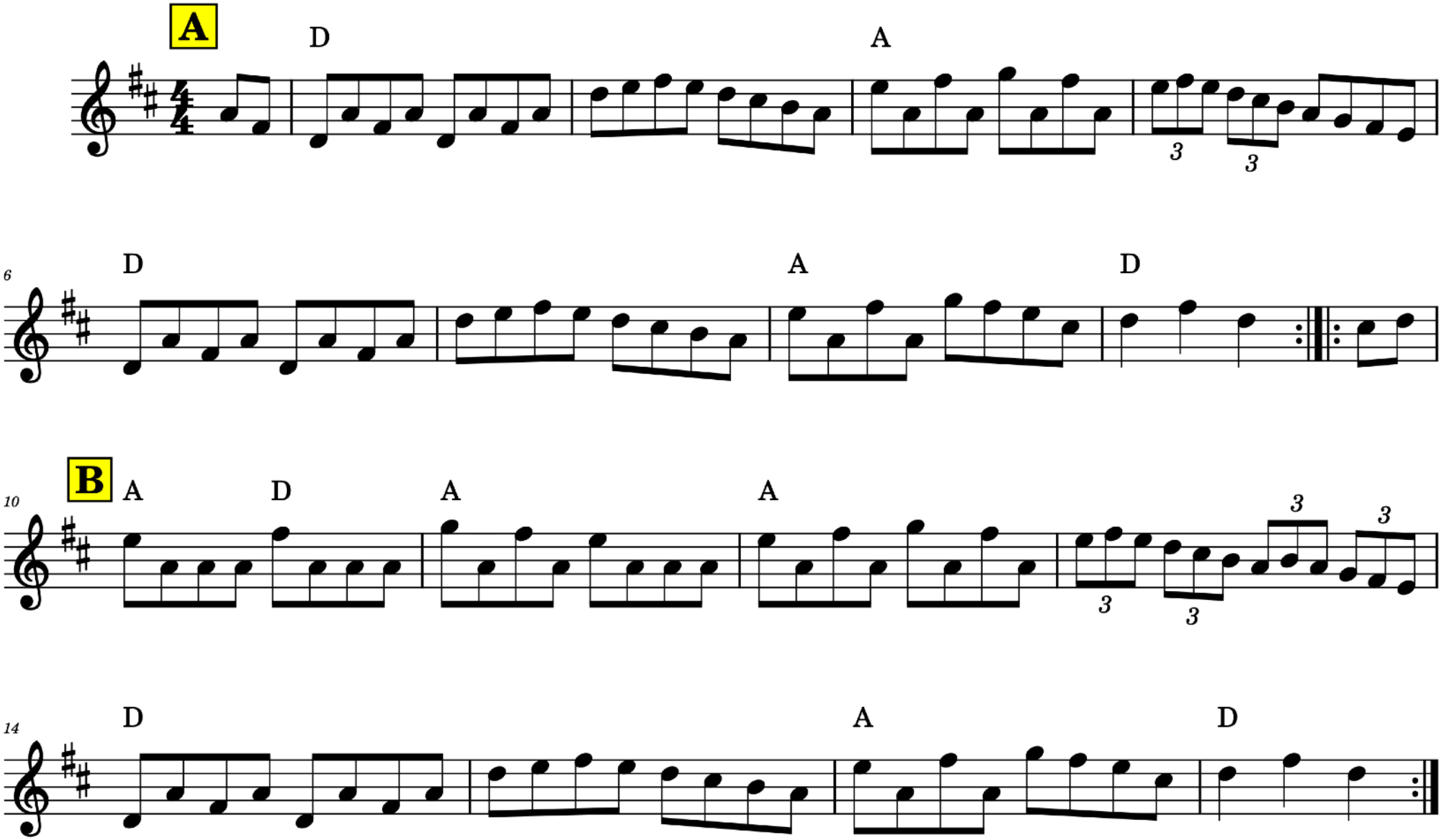


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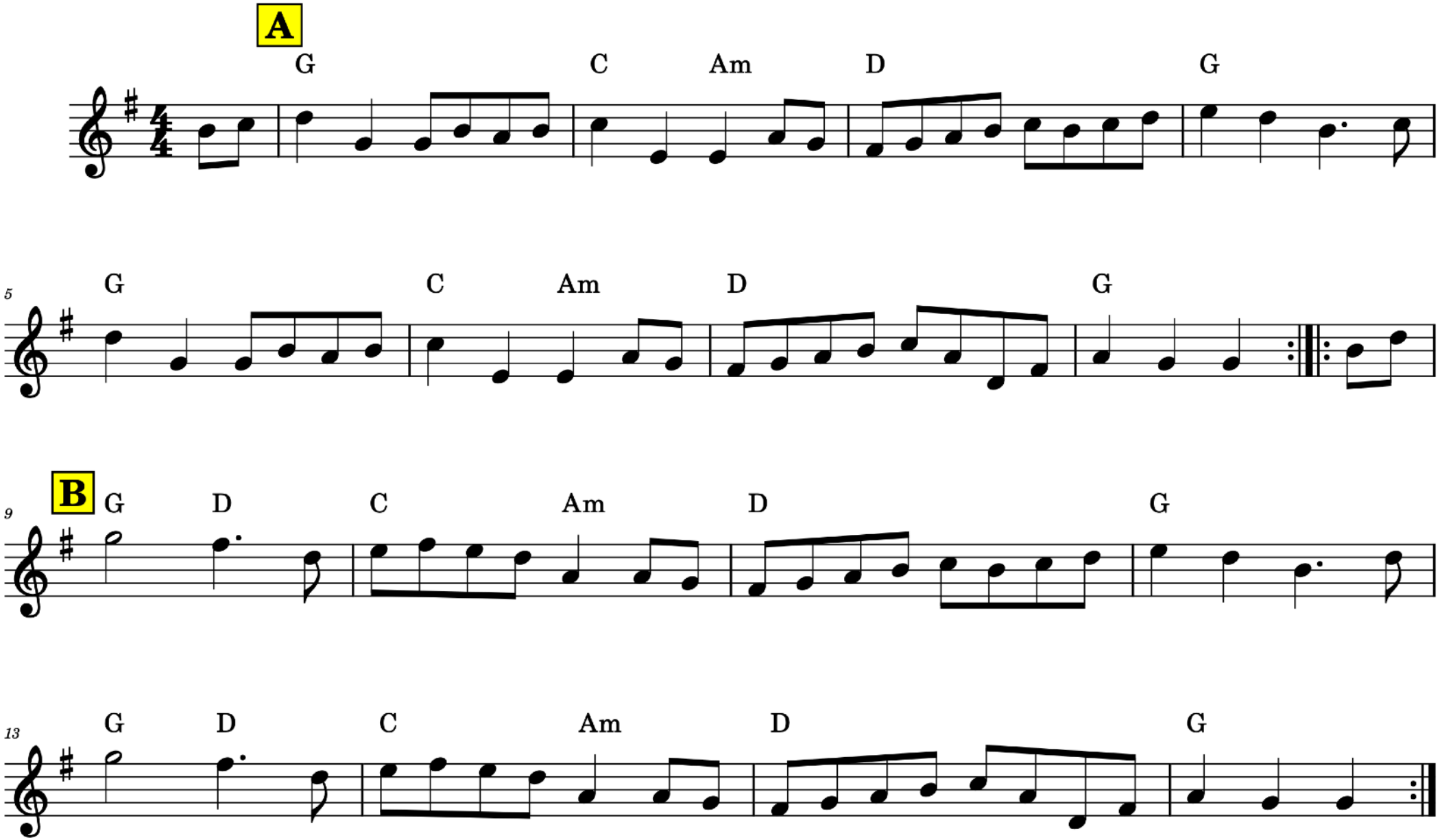


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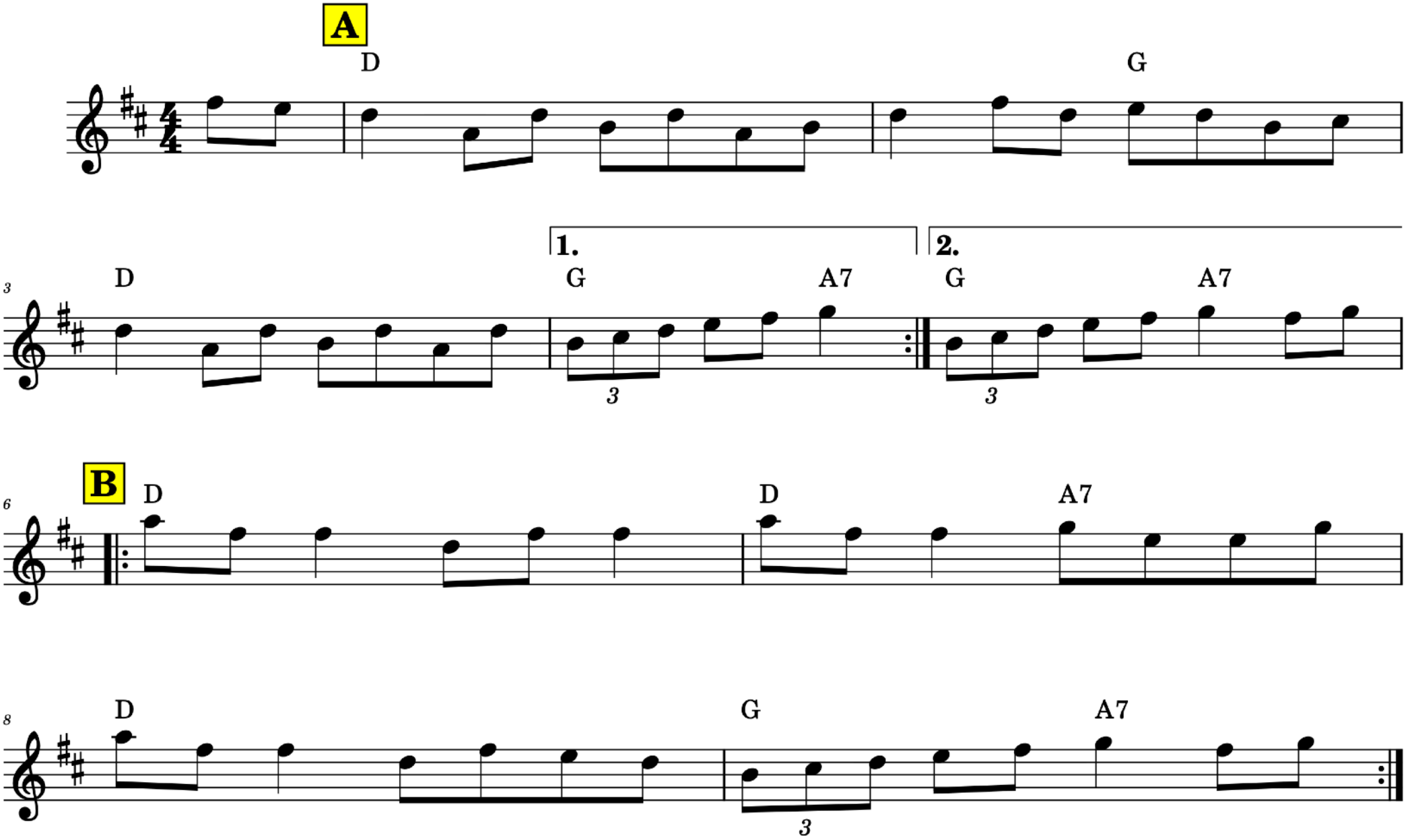


Harvest Home



The Hills of Tara



Humours of Tulla



I'll Tell Me Ma 🐢

A

G C G D7 G

I'll tell me ma when I get home the boys won't leave the girls a - lone. They
Al - bert Moon - ey says he loves her. All the boys are fight - in for her
Let the wind and rain and hail blow high and snow come tum - blin' from the sky.

6

C G D7 G

pull my hair and stole my comb, but that's al - right till I get home.
Knock at the door they ring on the bell Hel - lo me true love are you well?
She's as sweet as ap - ple pie. She'll get her own love by and by.

10

B

G Am G D7

She is hand - some she is pret - ty she is the belle of Bel - fast Cit - y
Out she comes as white as snow. Rings on her fing - ers, bells on her toes
When she gets a lad of her own she won't tell her ma when she gets home
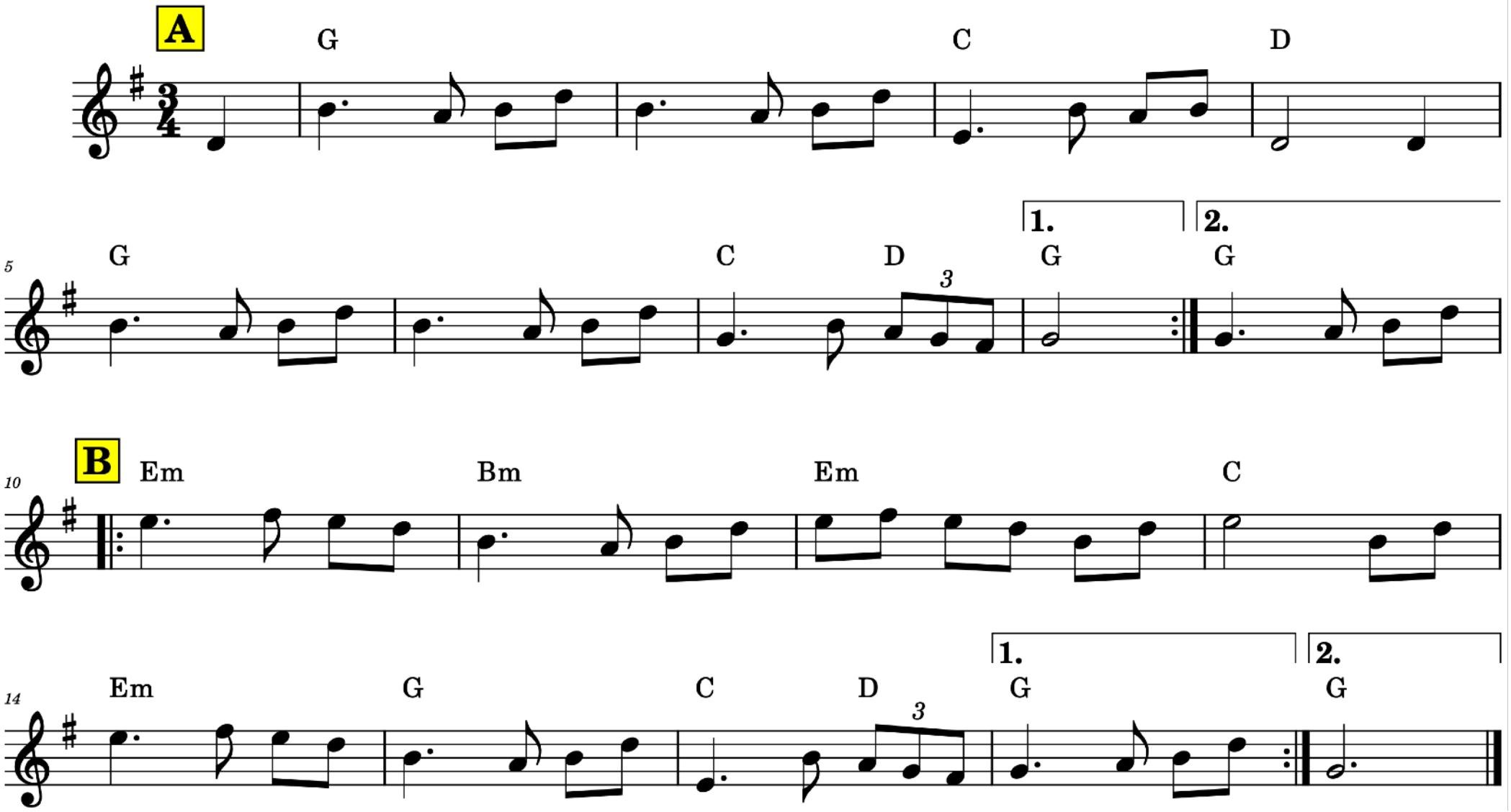
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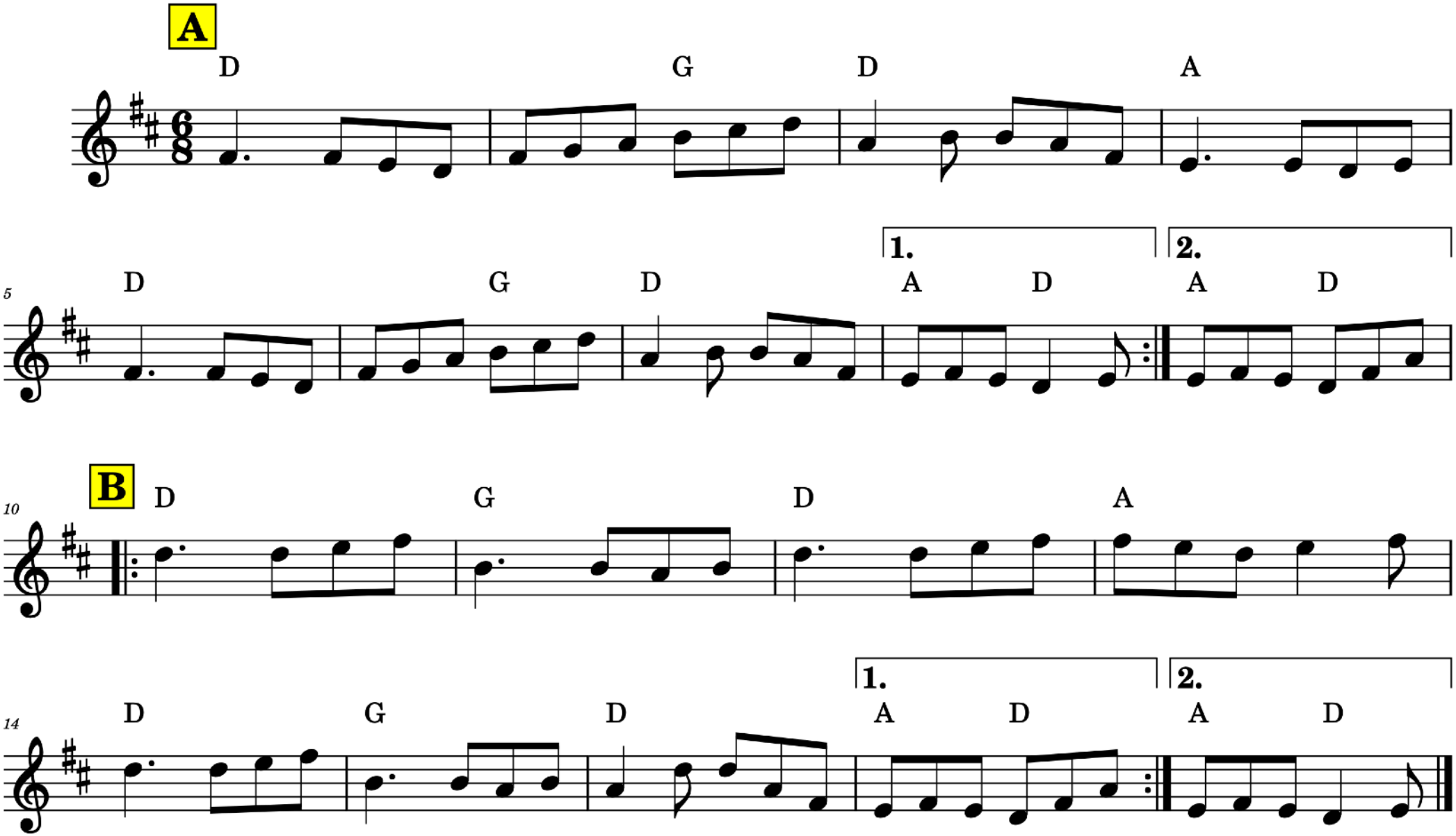
She is a cour - tin one, two, three. Please won't you tell me who is she.
Ol' Jen - ny Morris - sey says she will die if she doesn't get the fella with the ro - vin eye.
Let them all come as they wil for it's Al - bert Moon - ey she loves still.

Inisheer 🐢

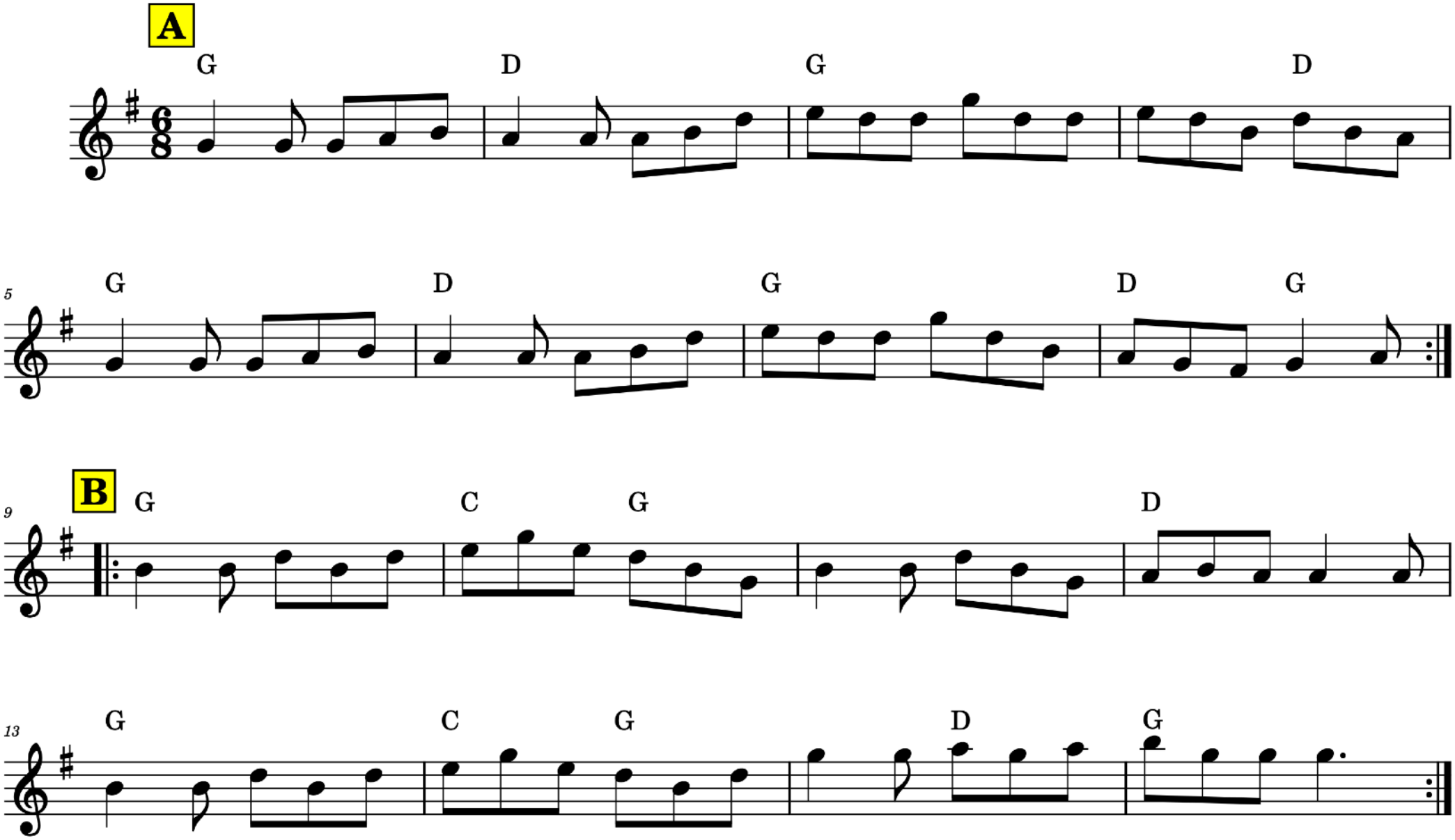
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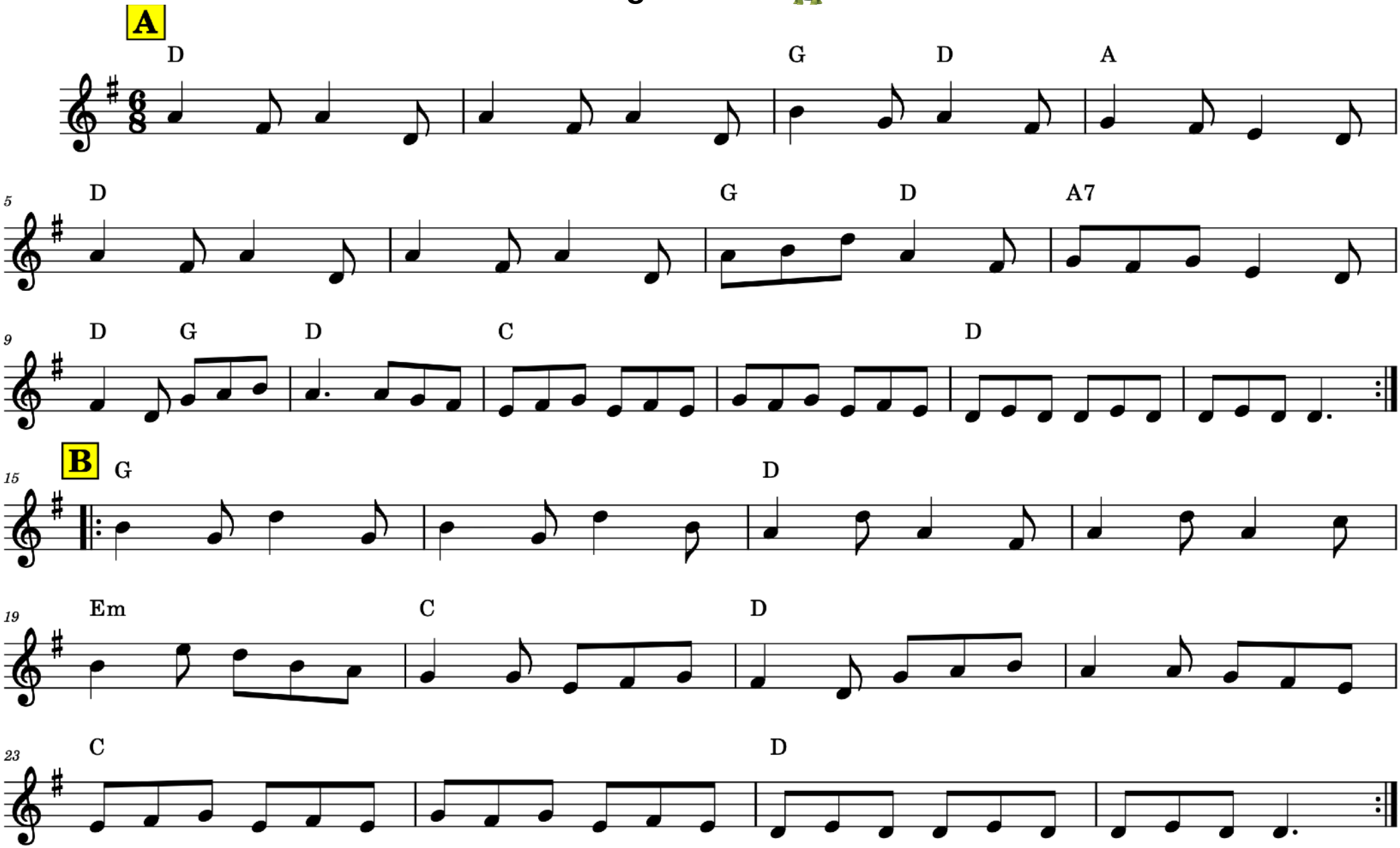


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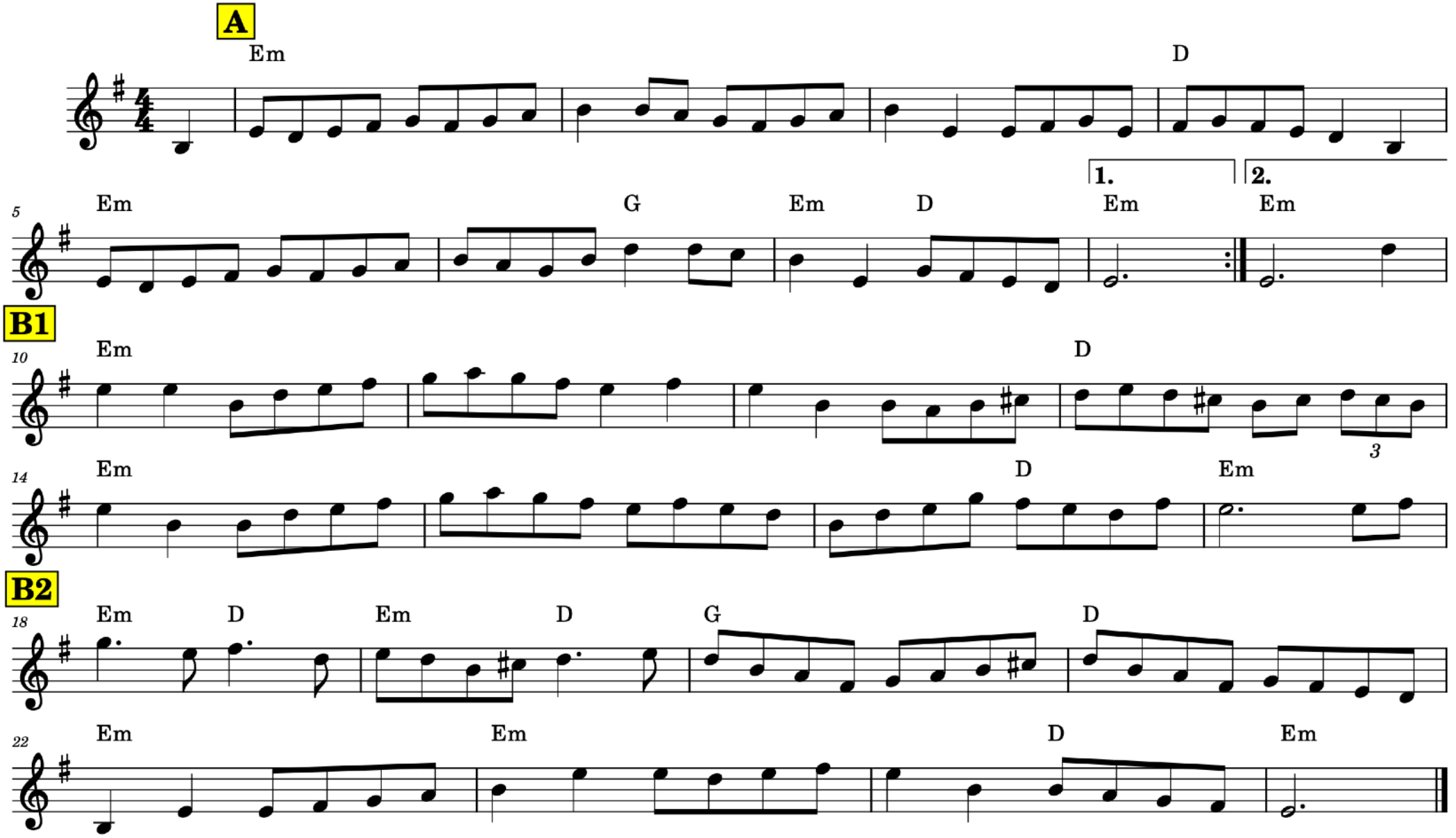


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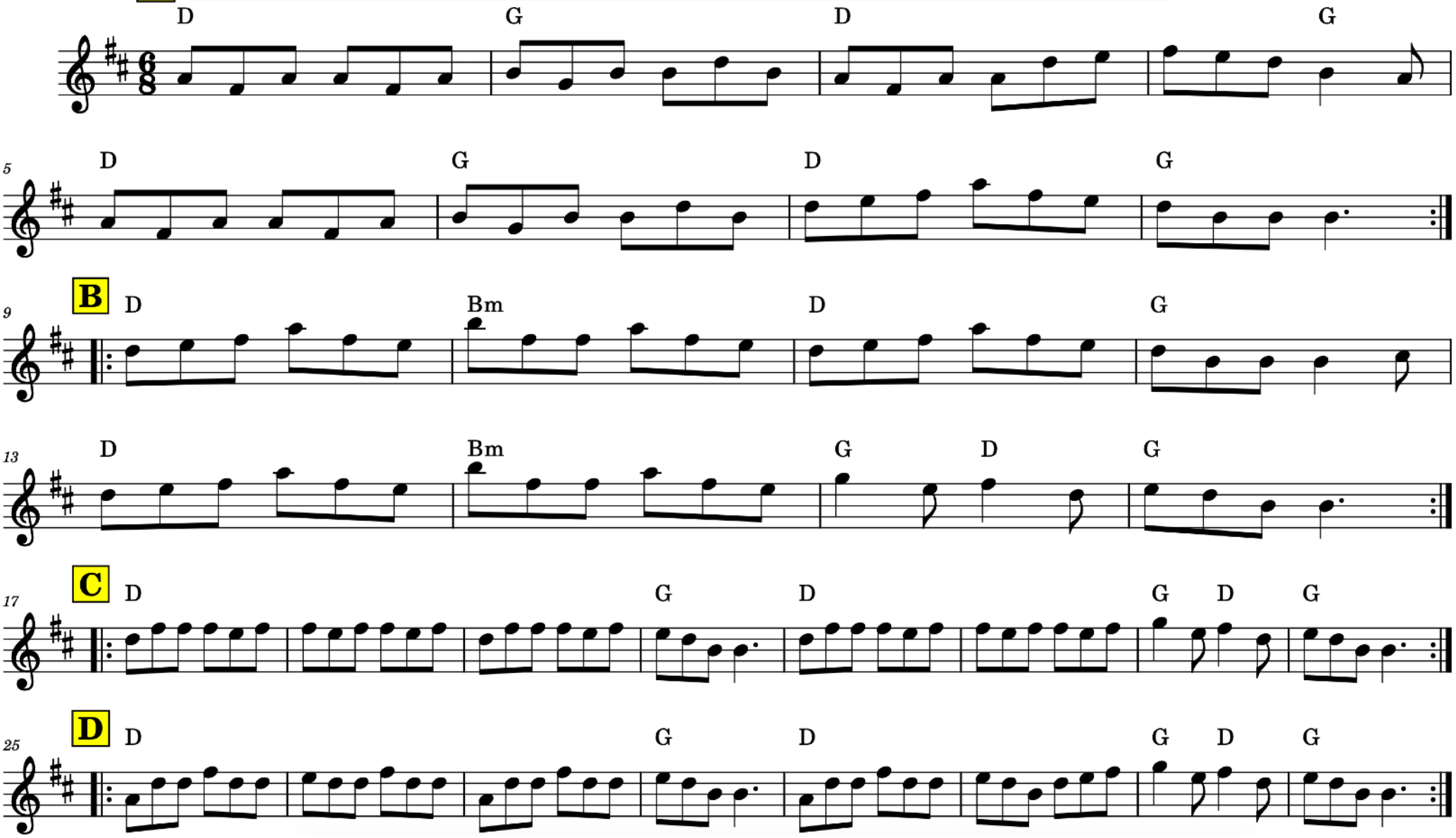


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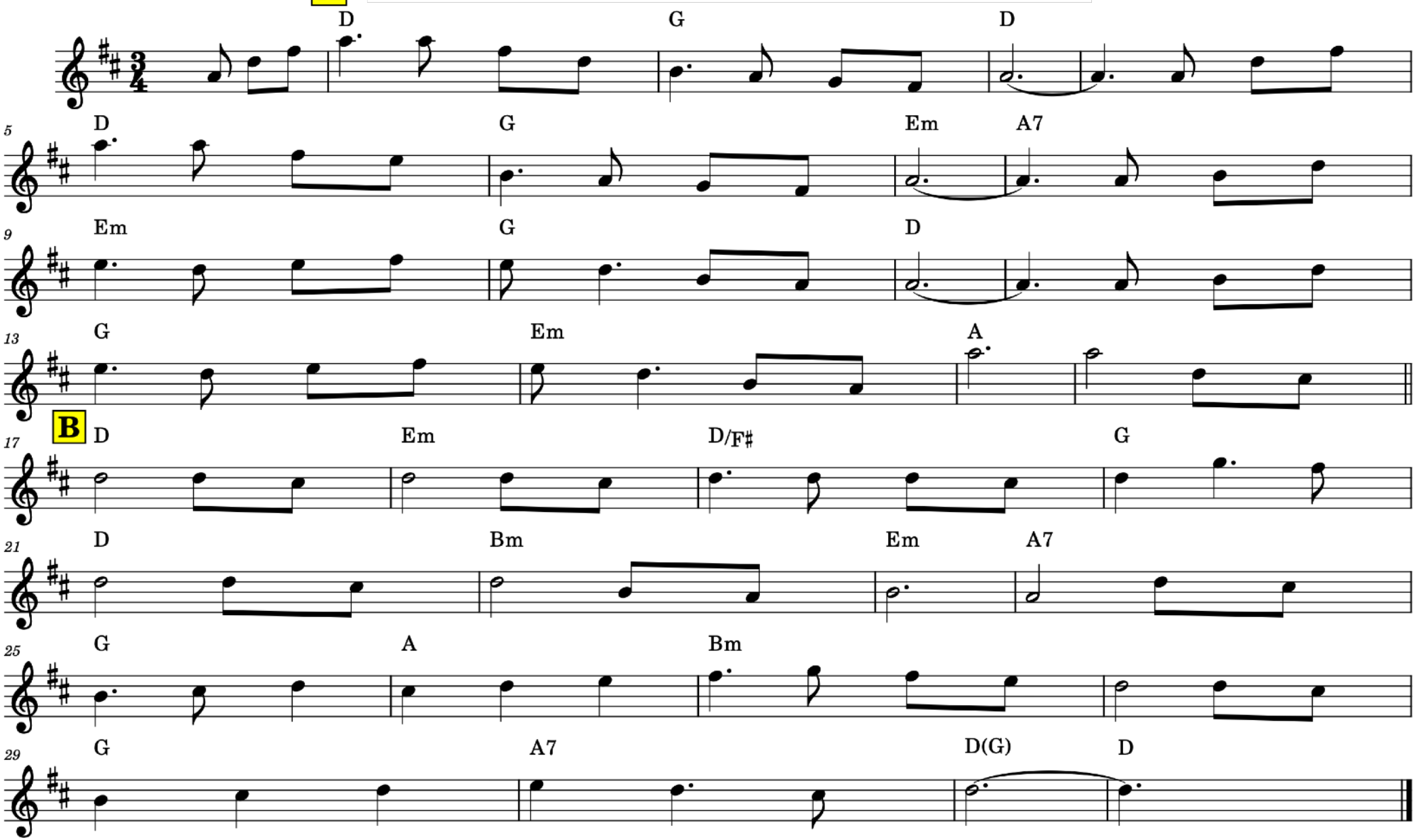


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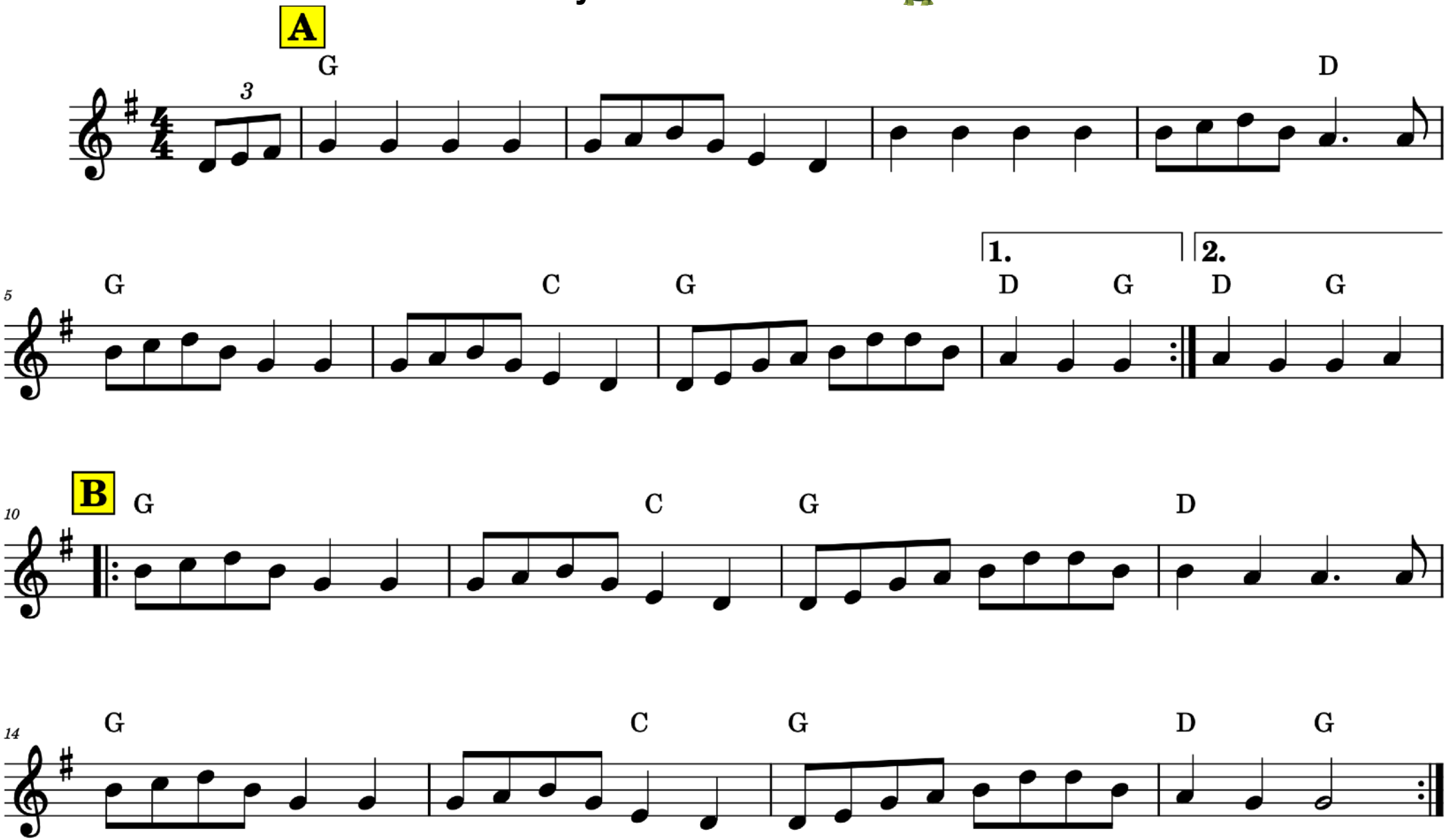


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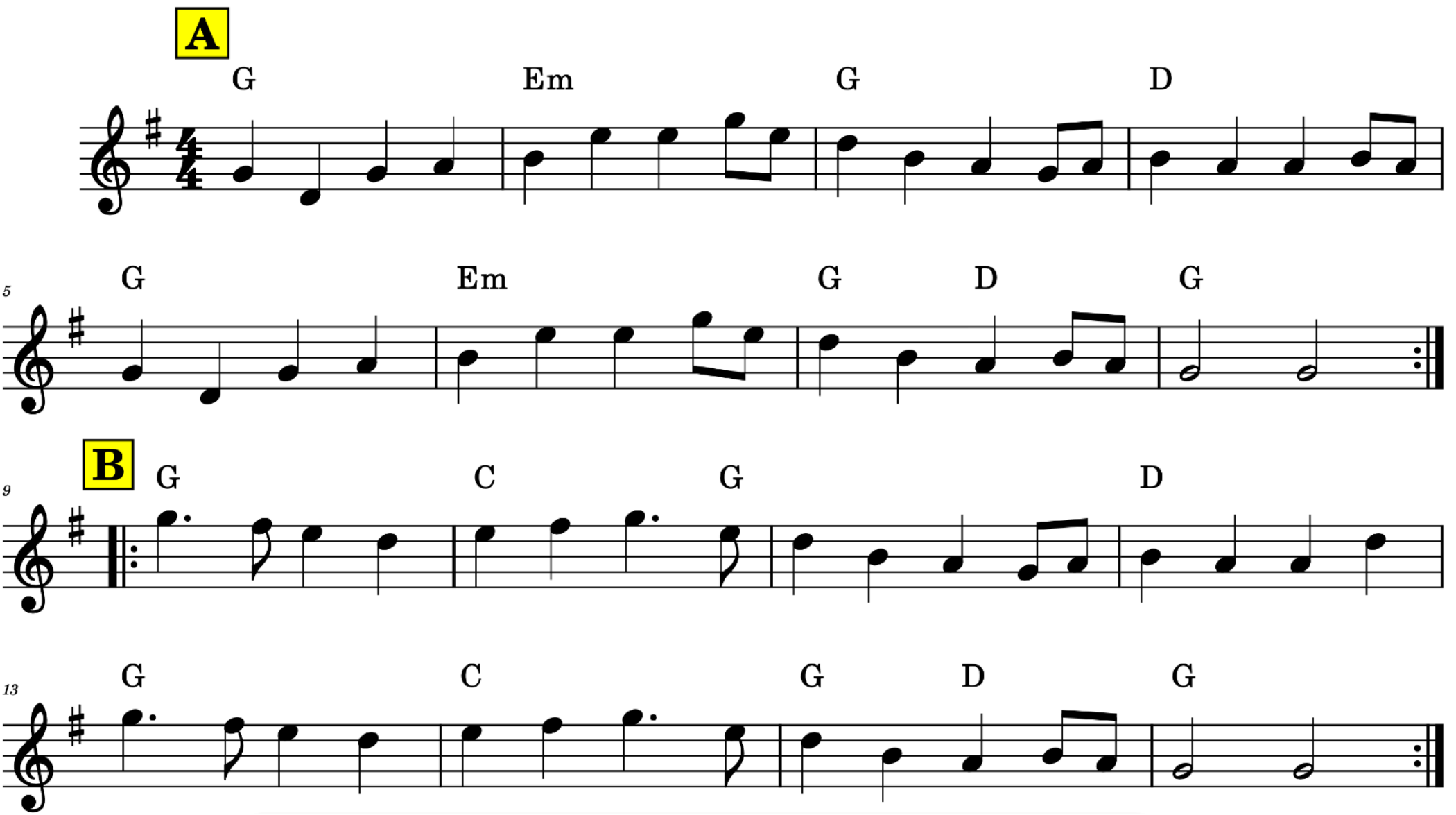
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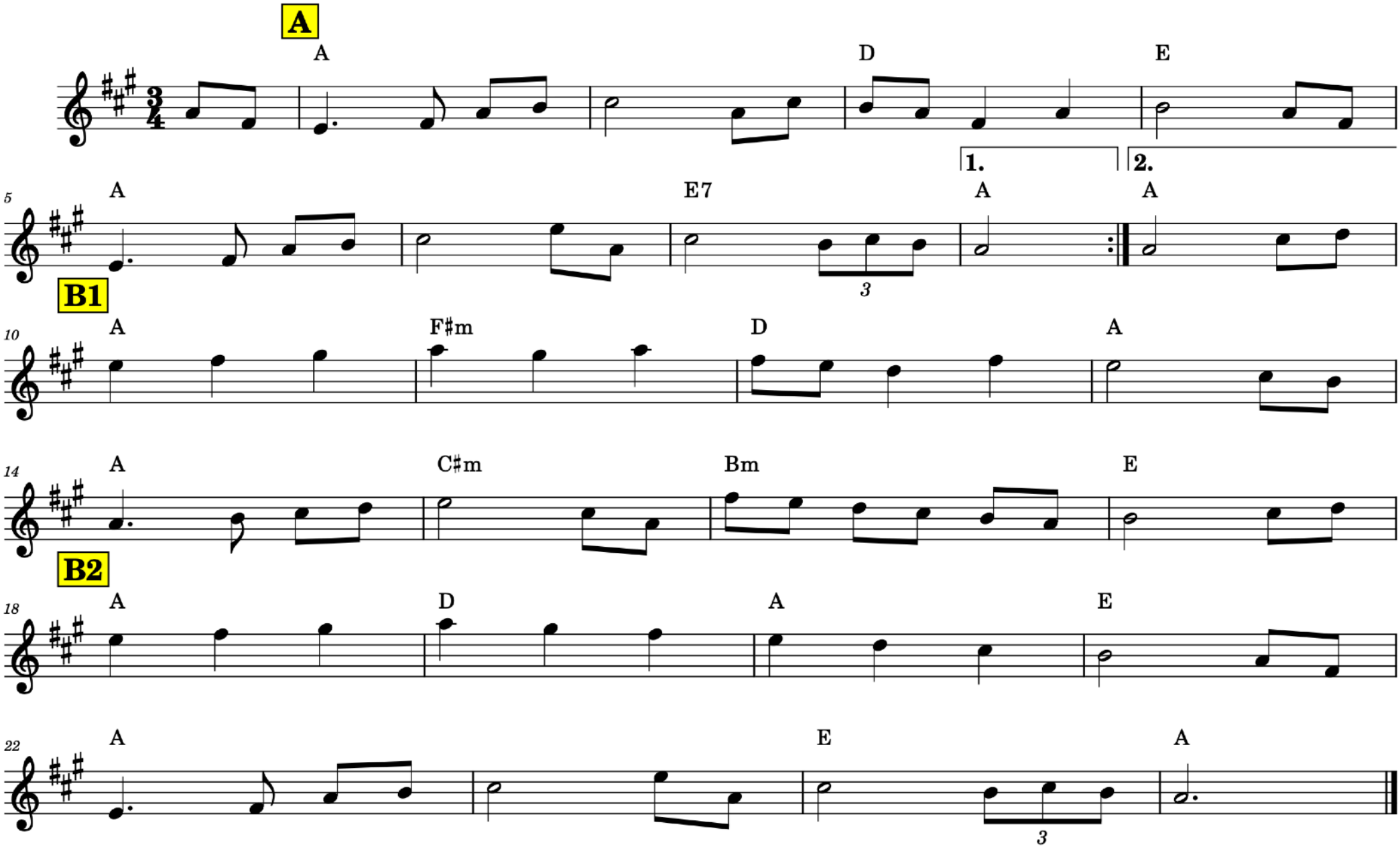
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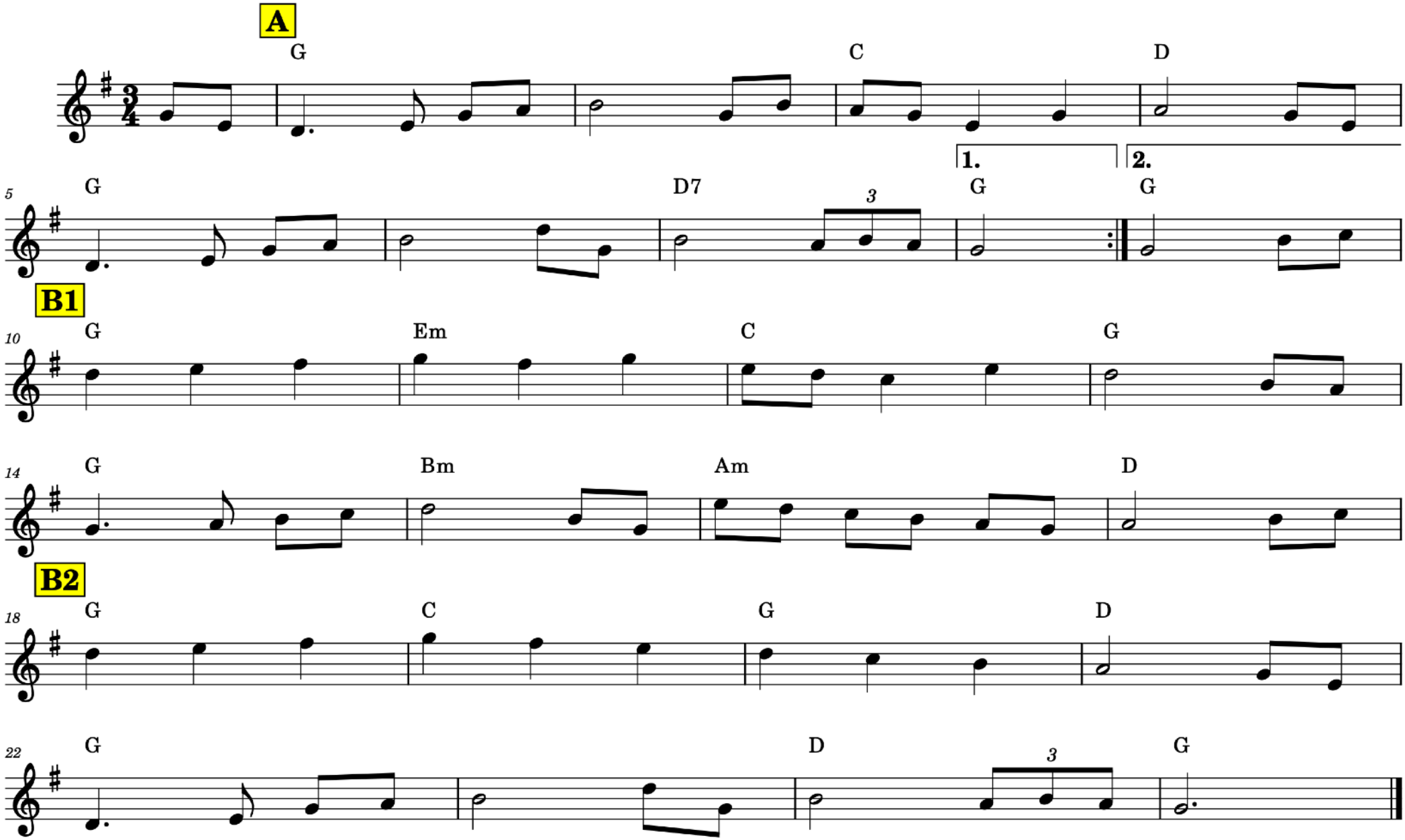
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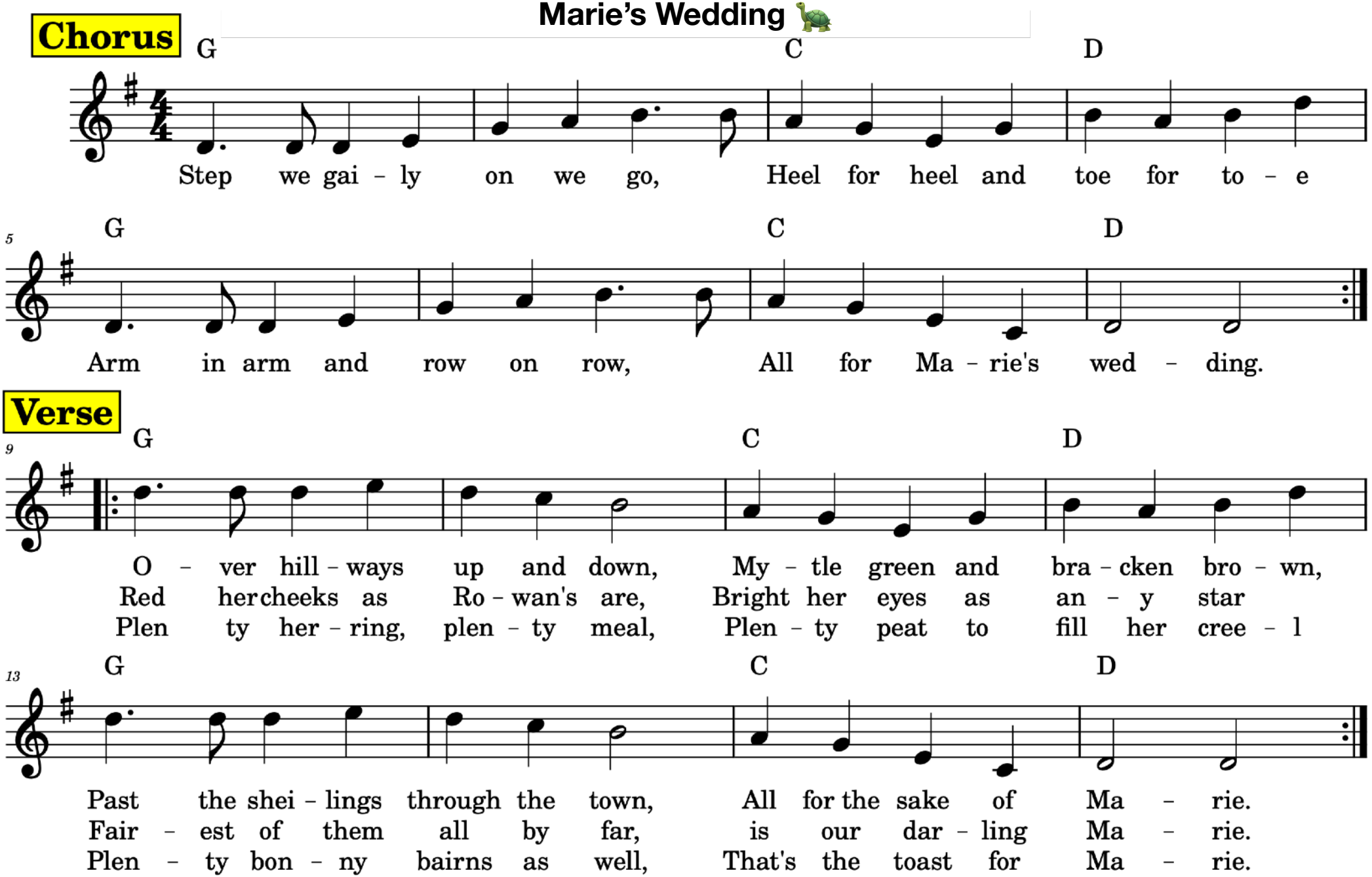
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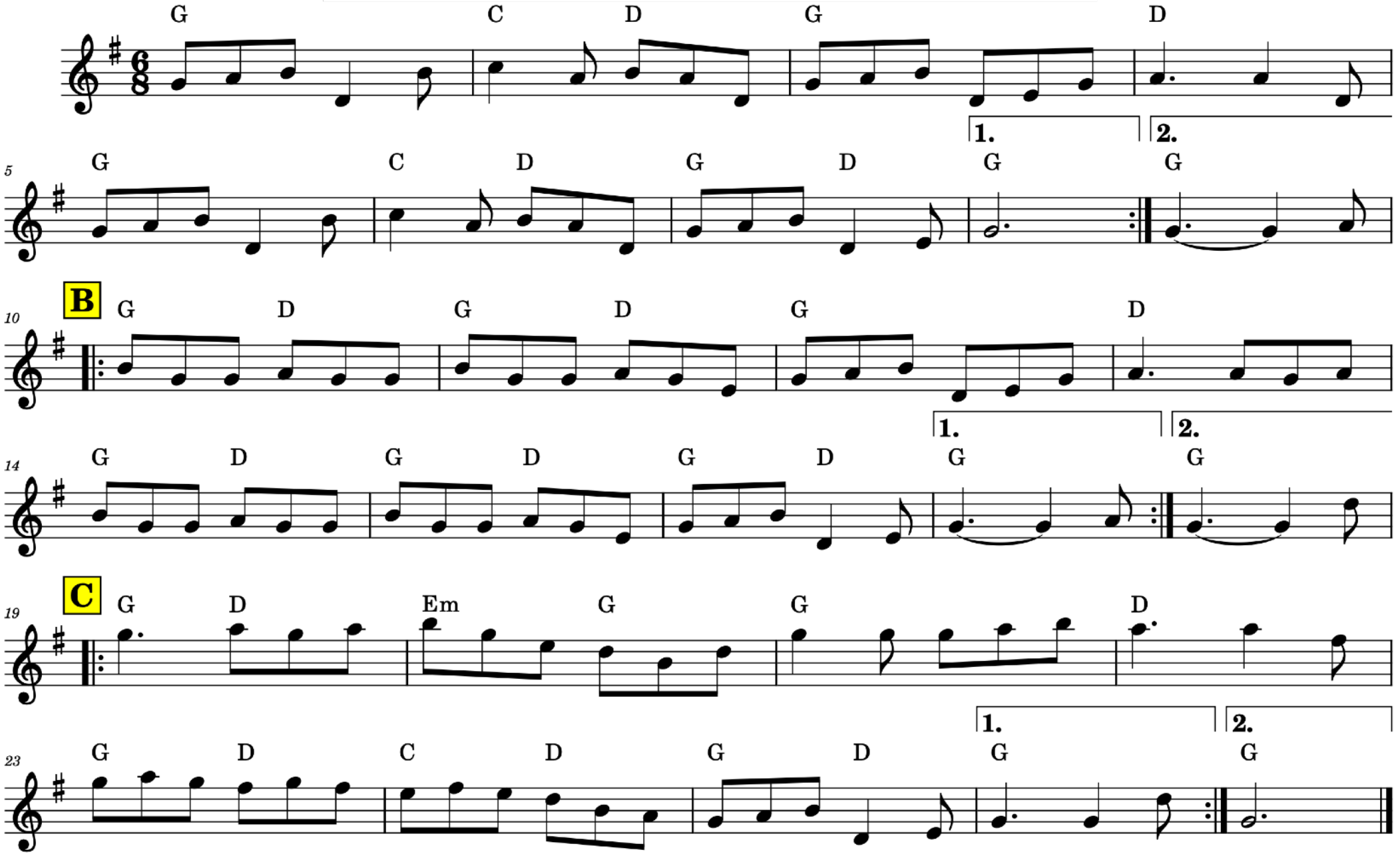


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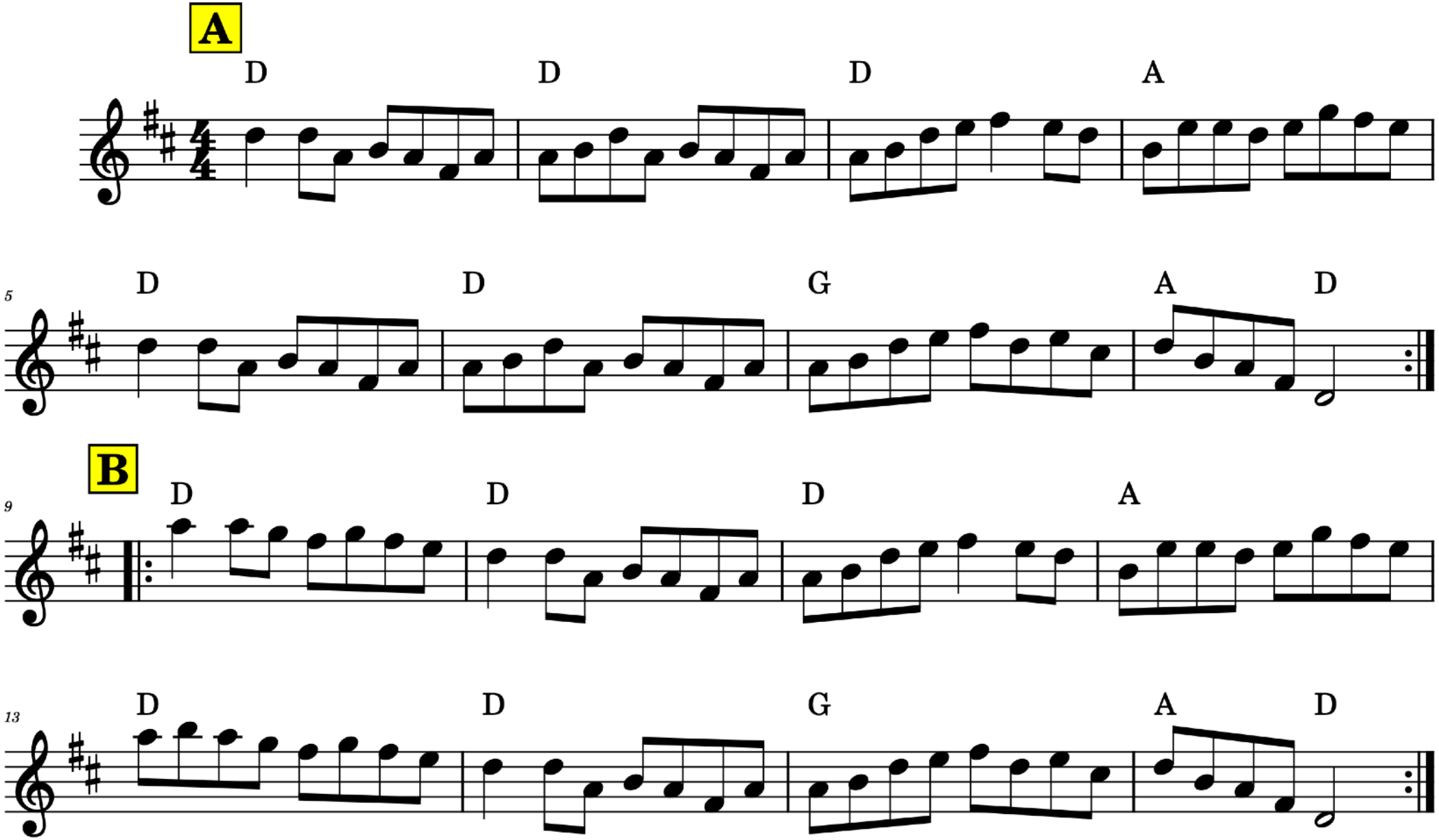
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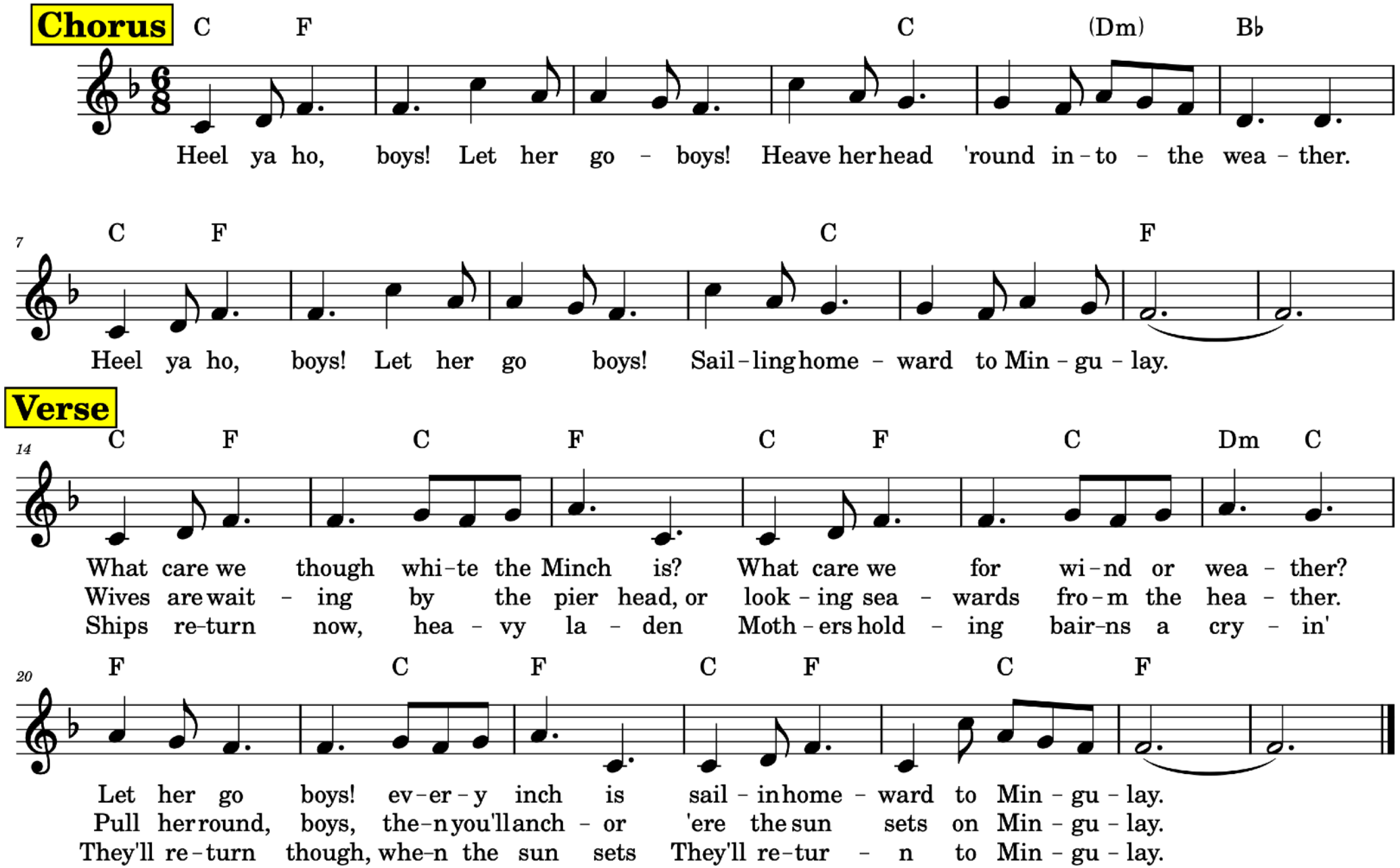
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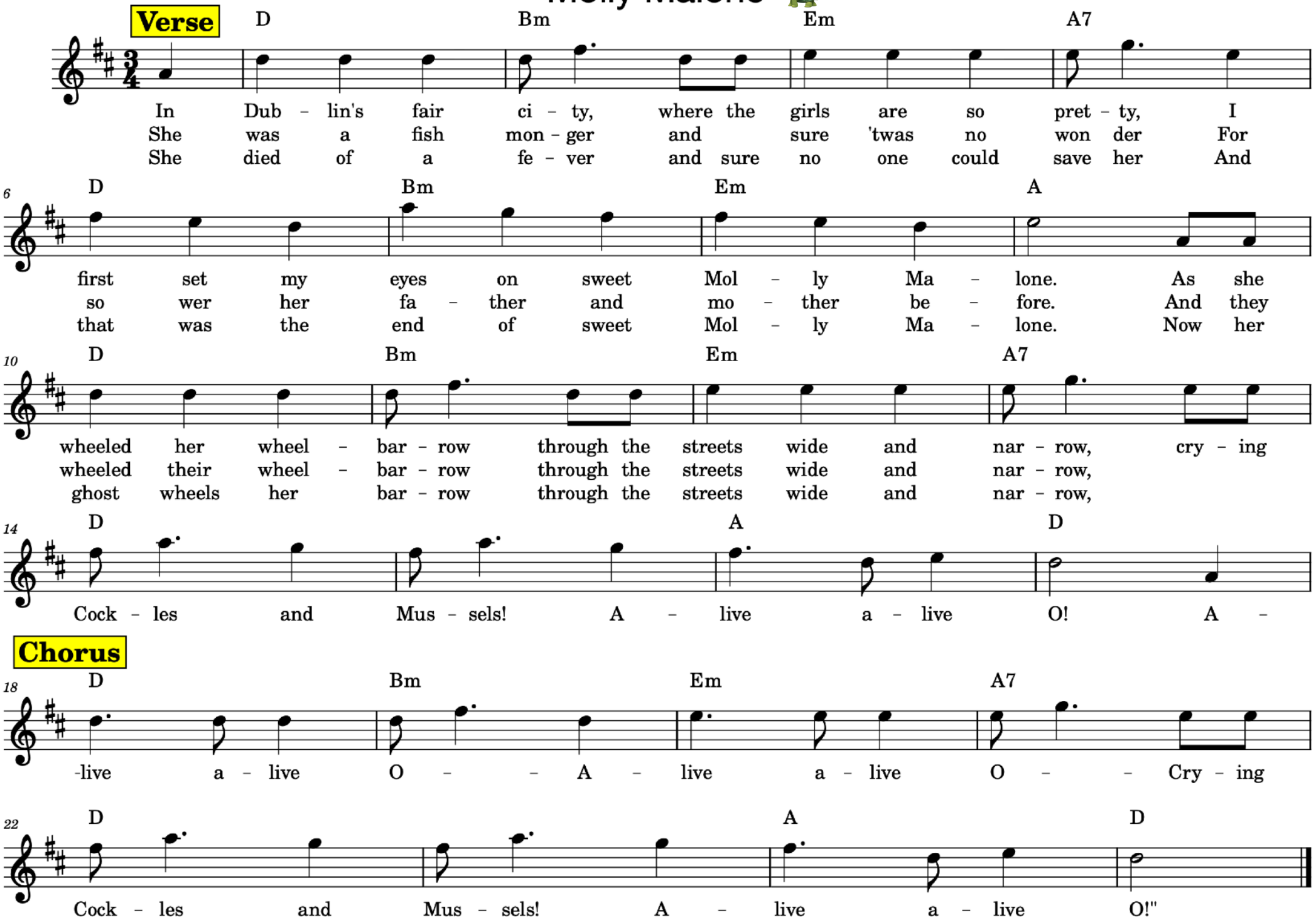


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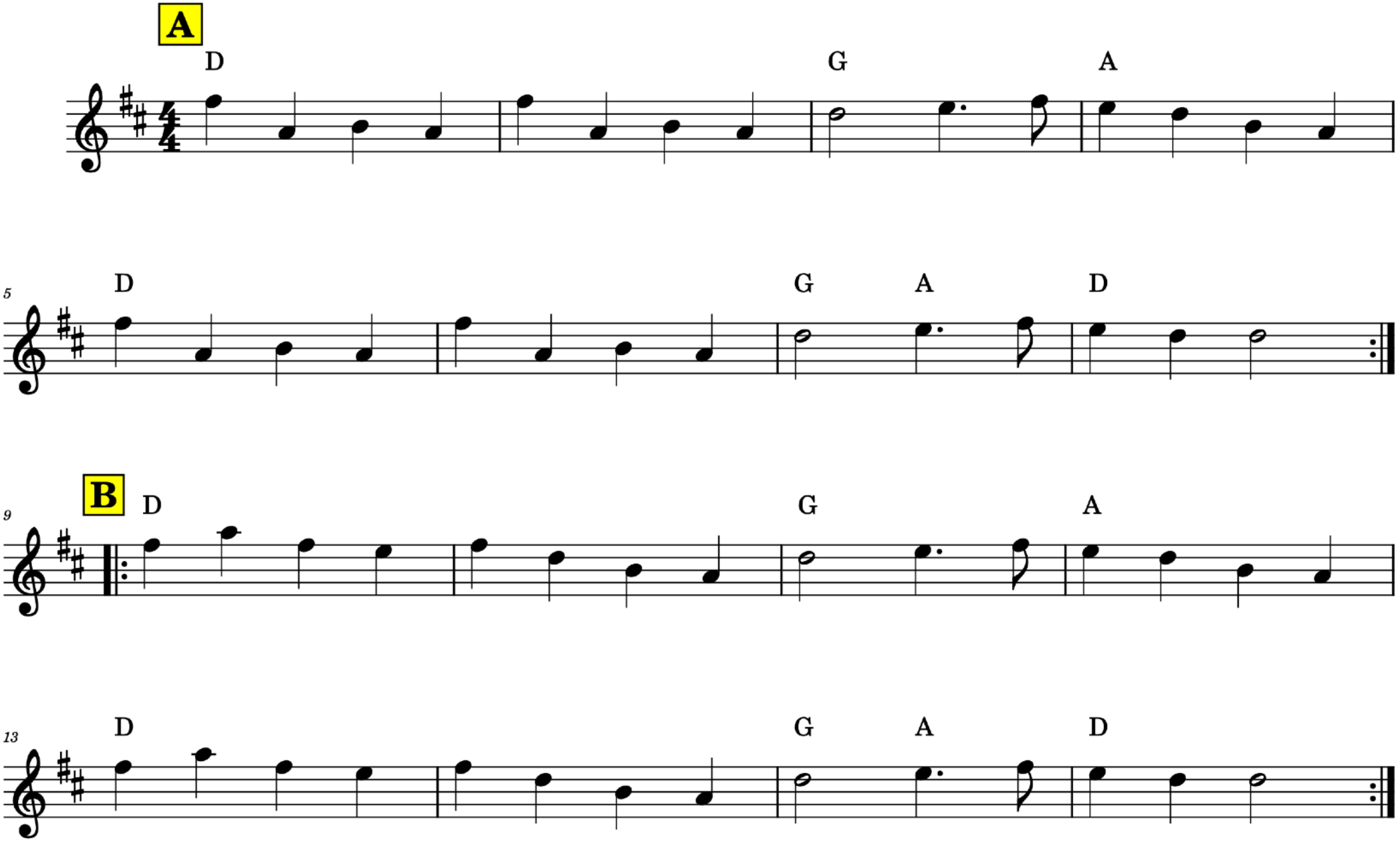


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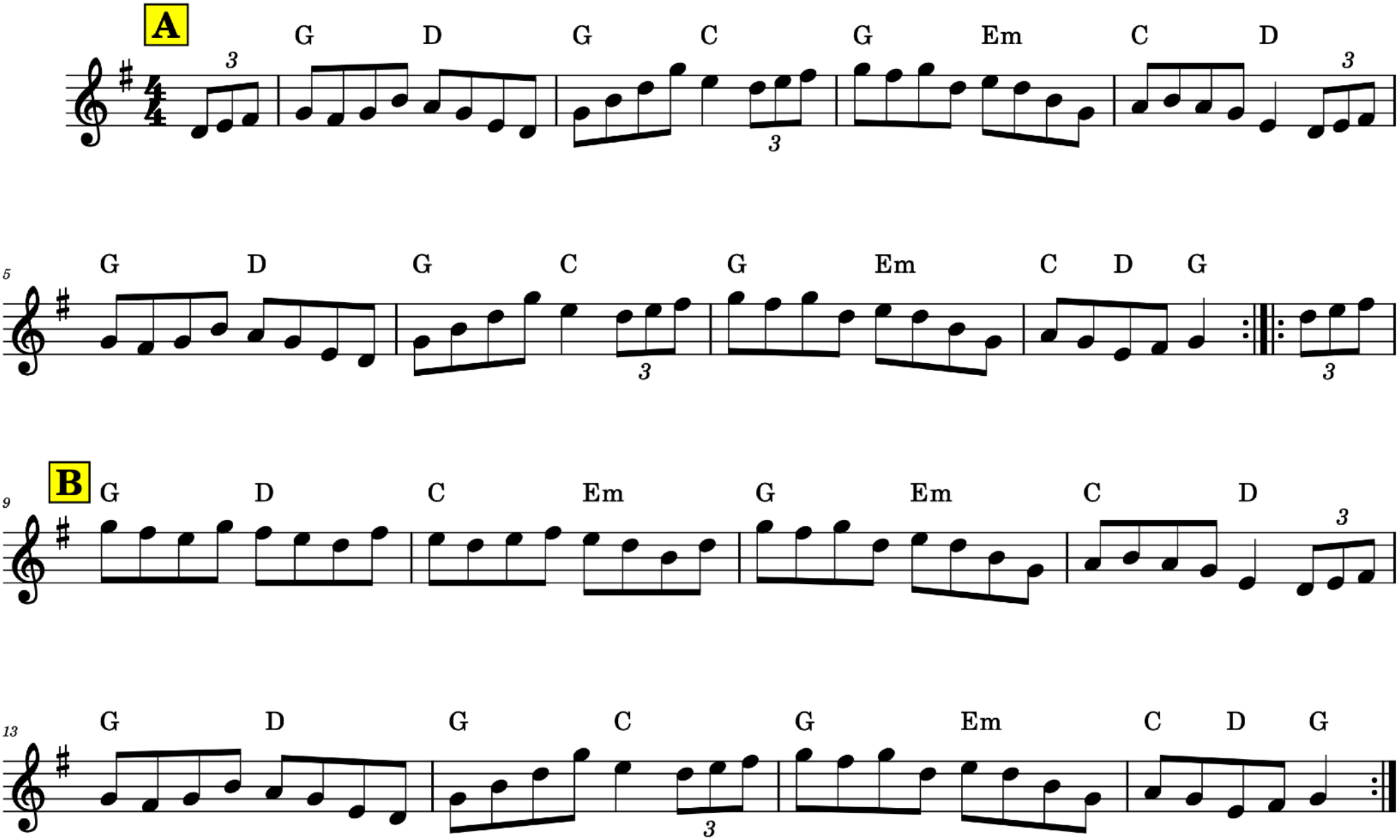


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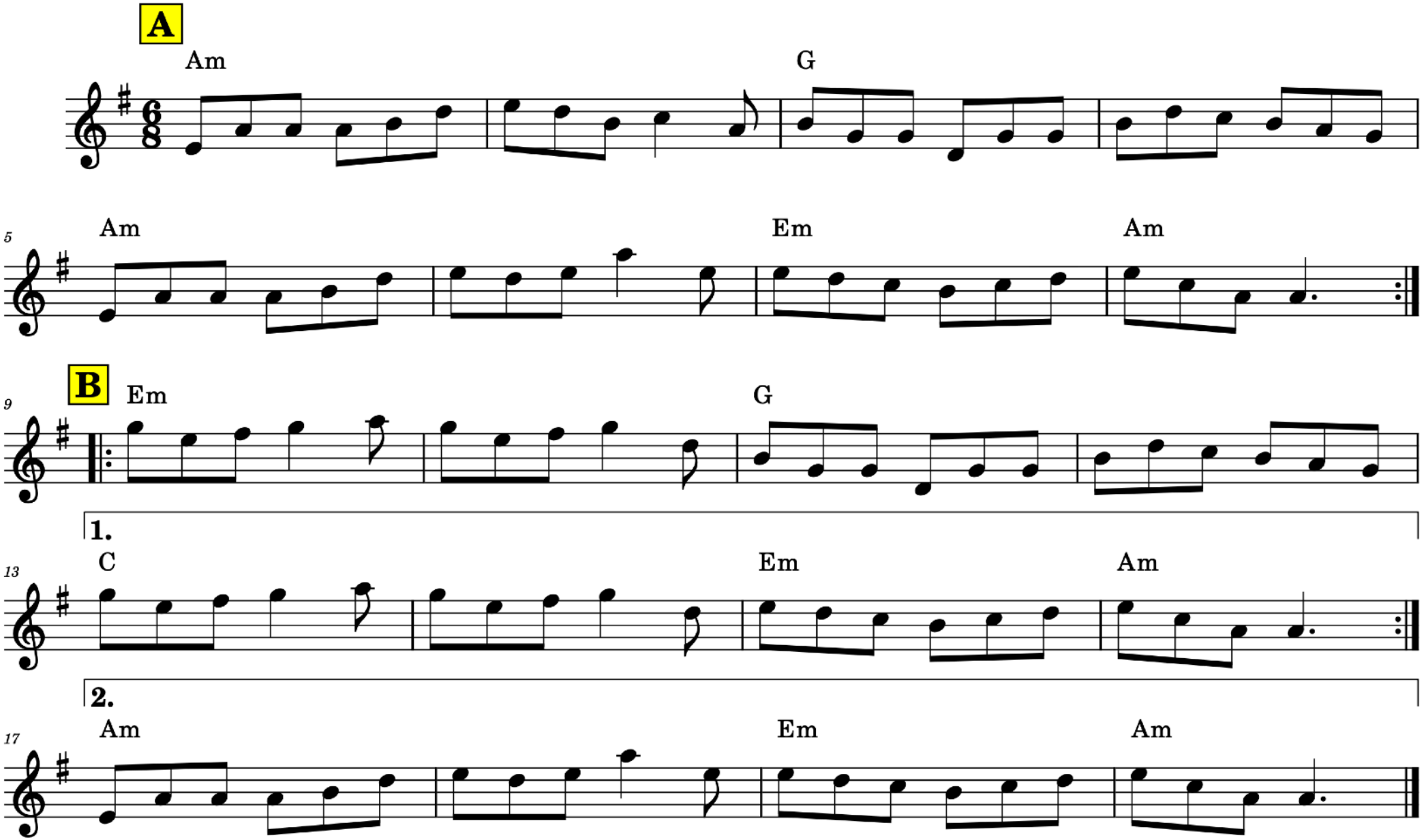
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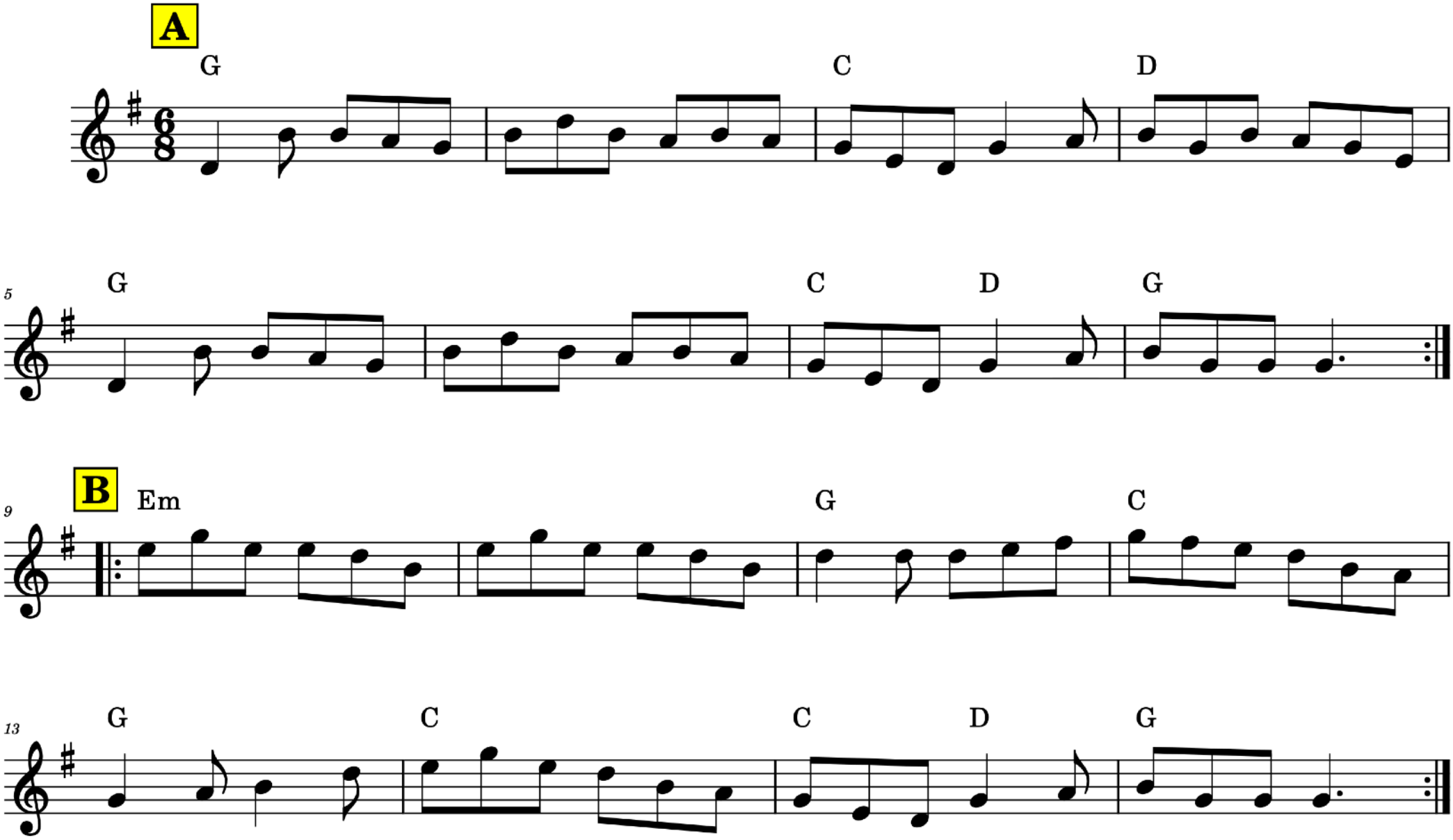


Off to California



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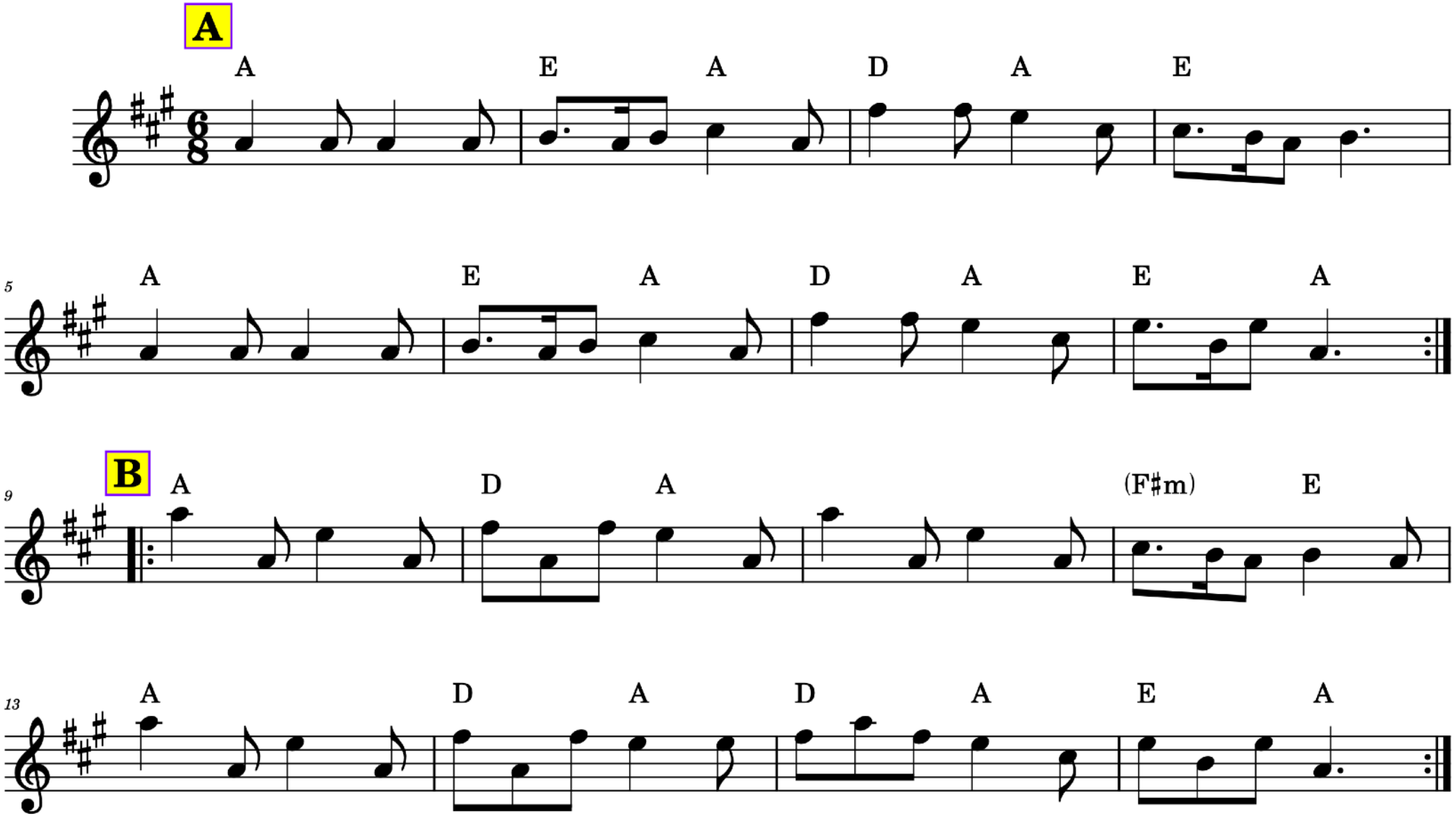


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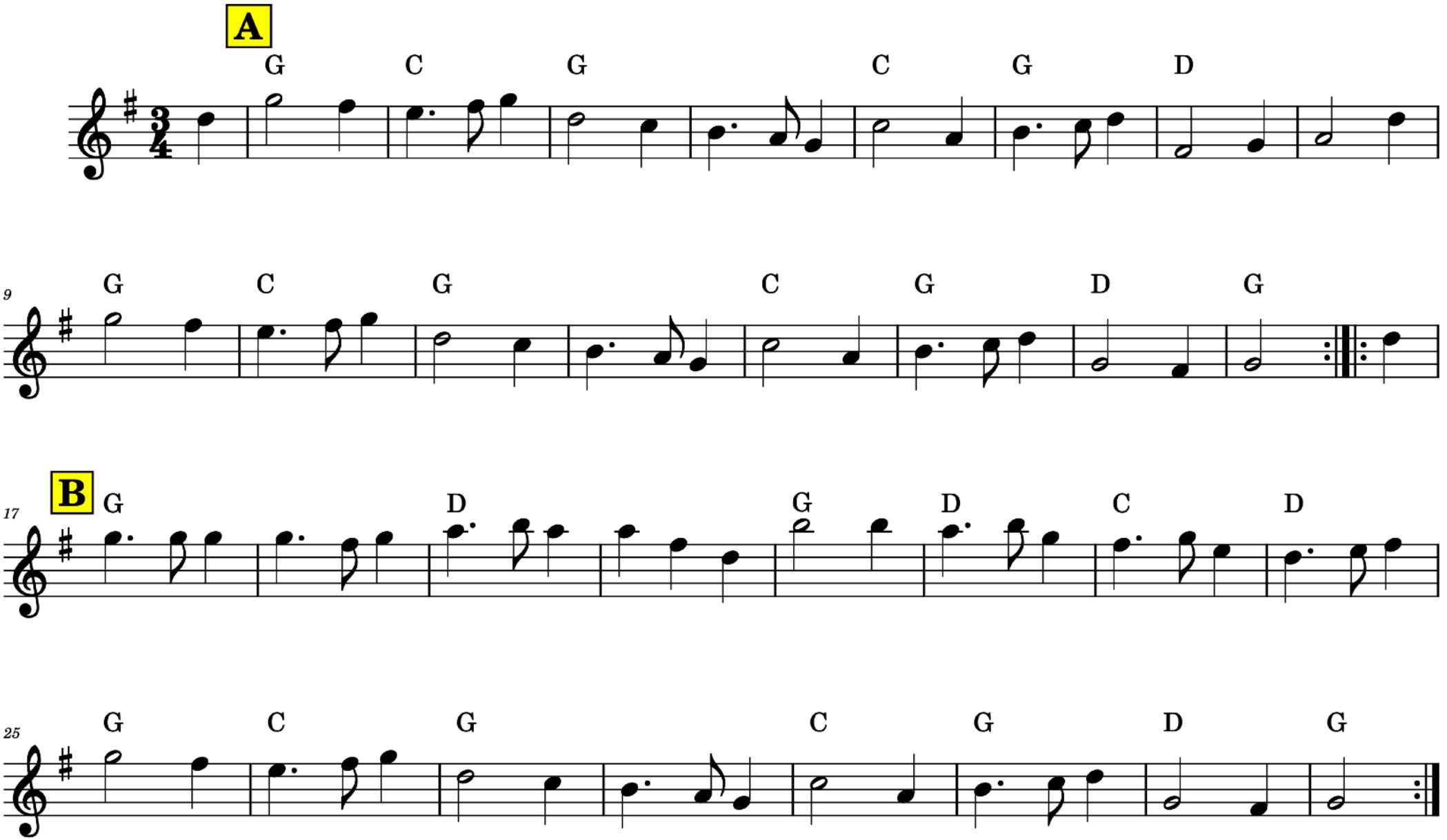


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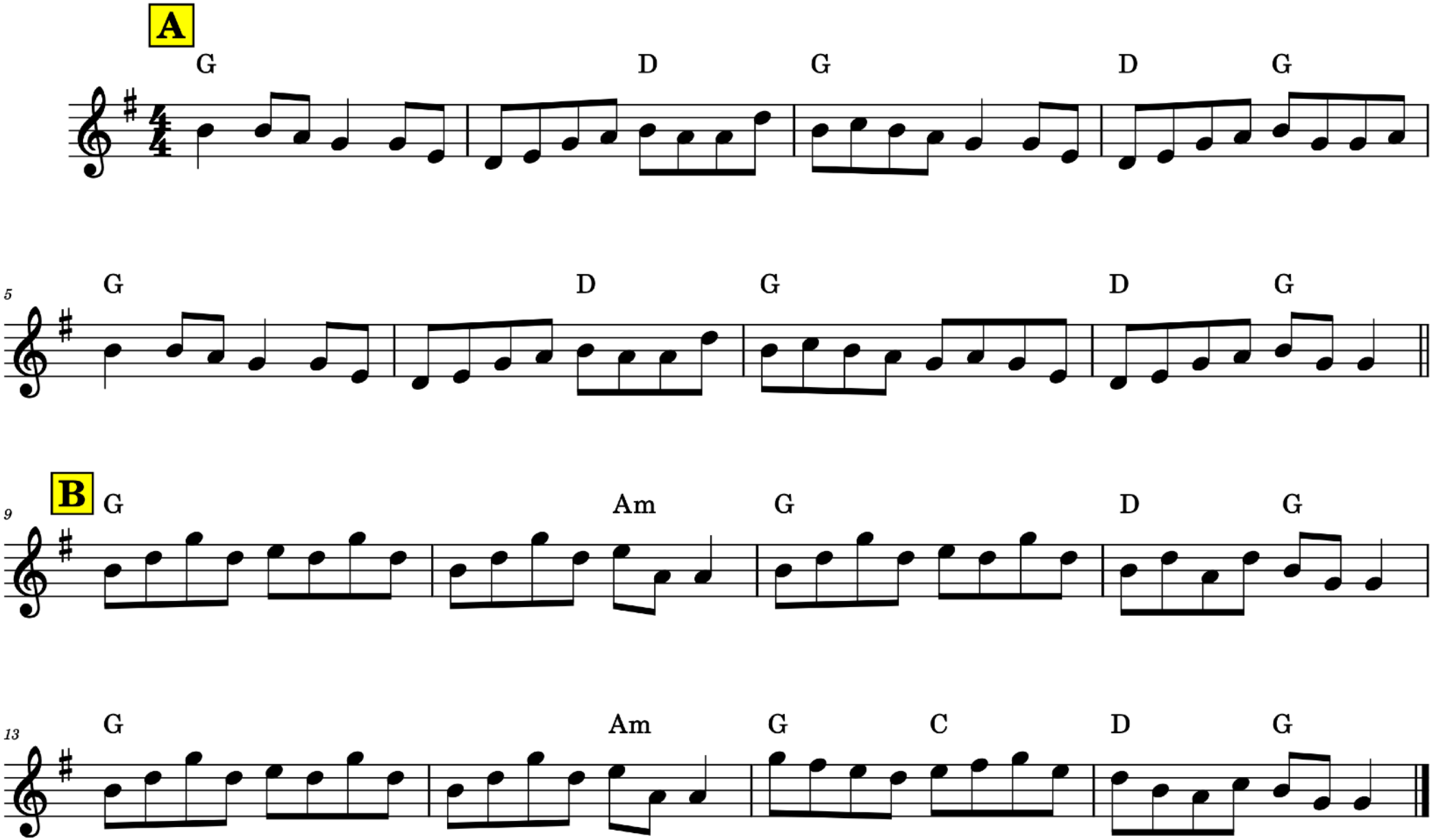
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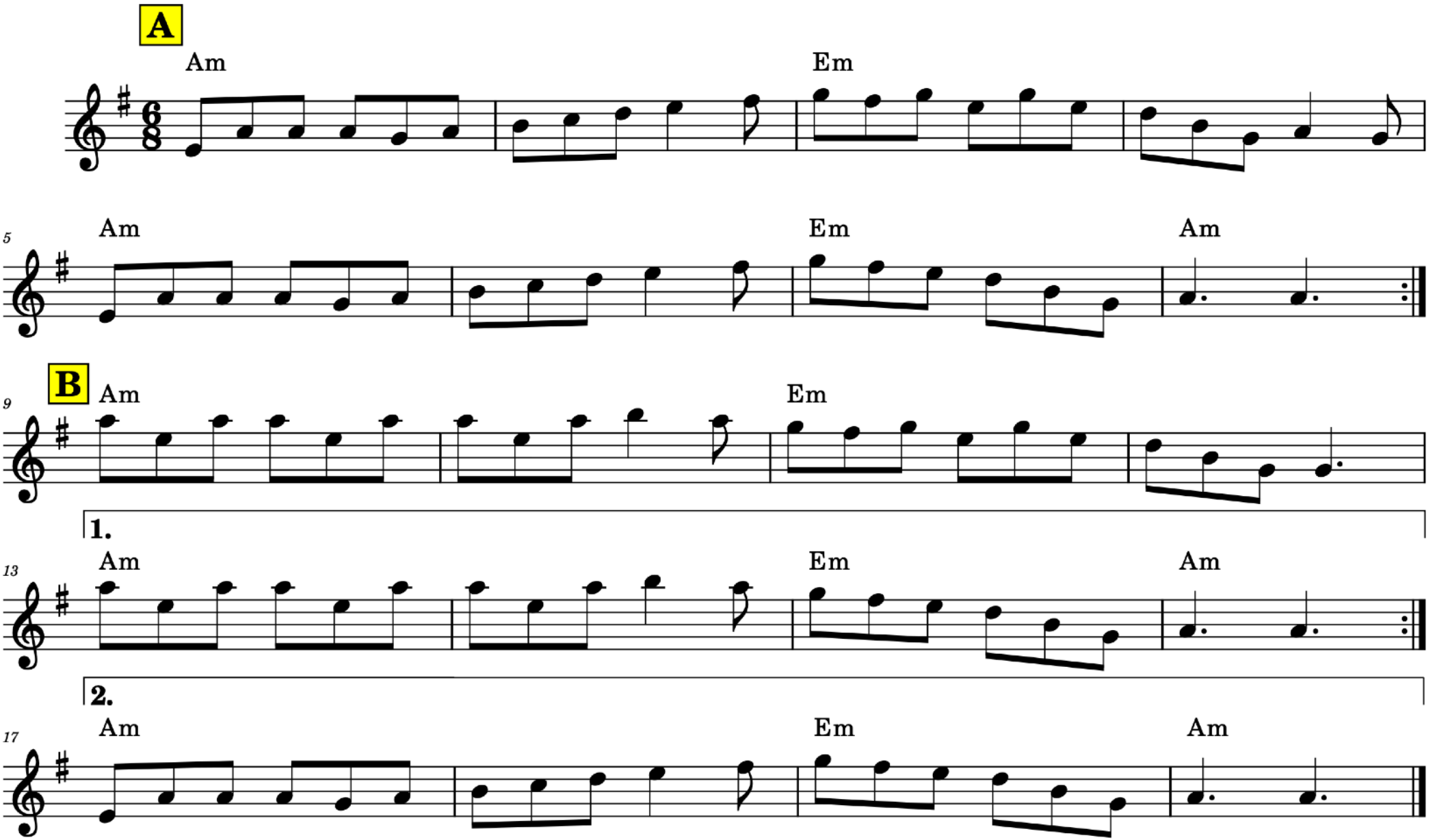


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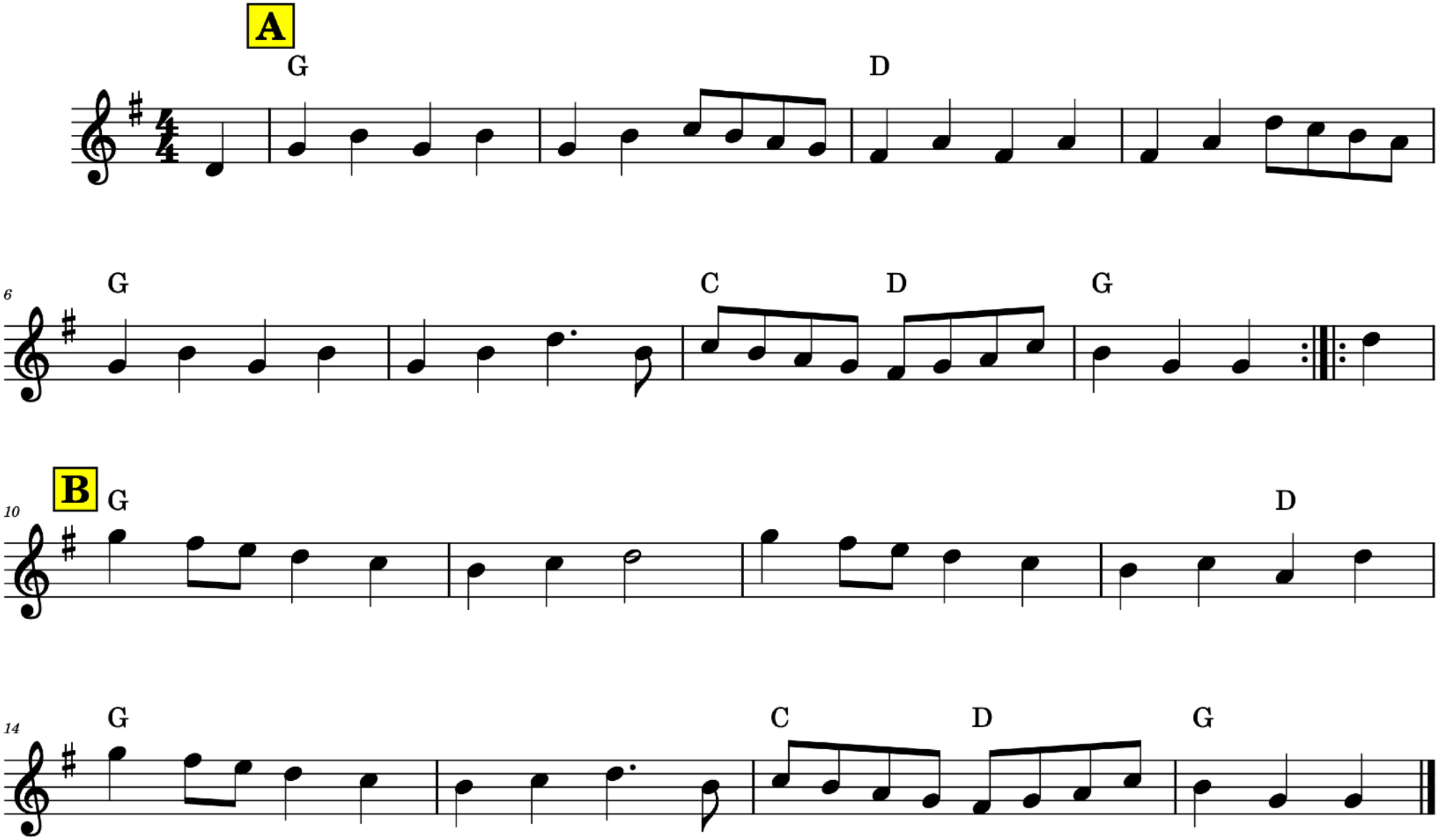


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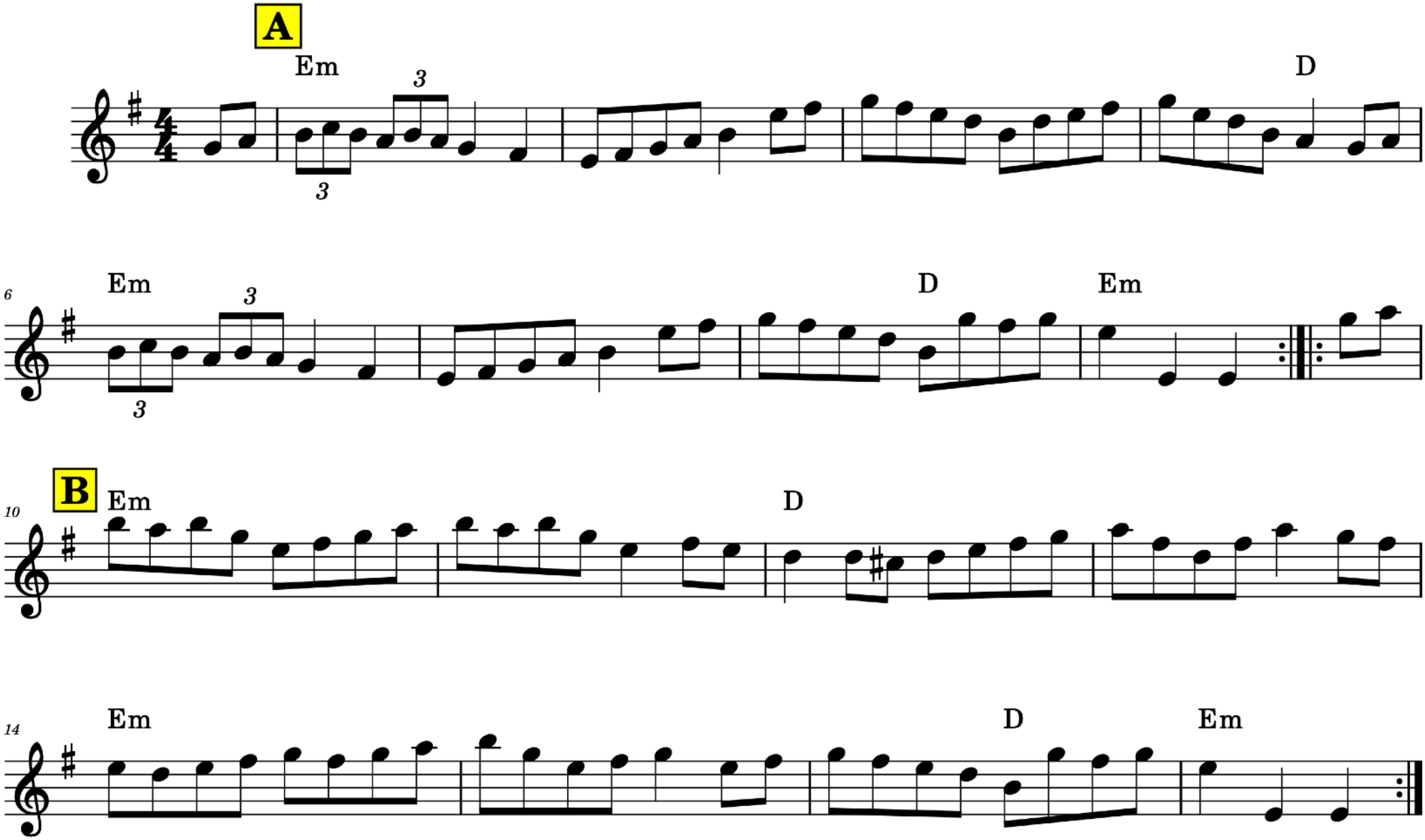


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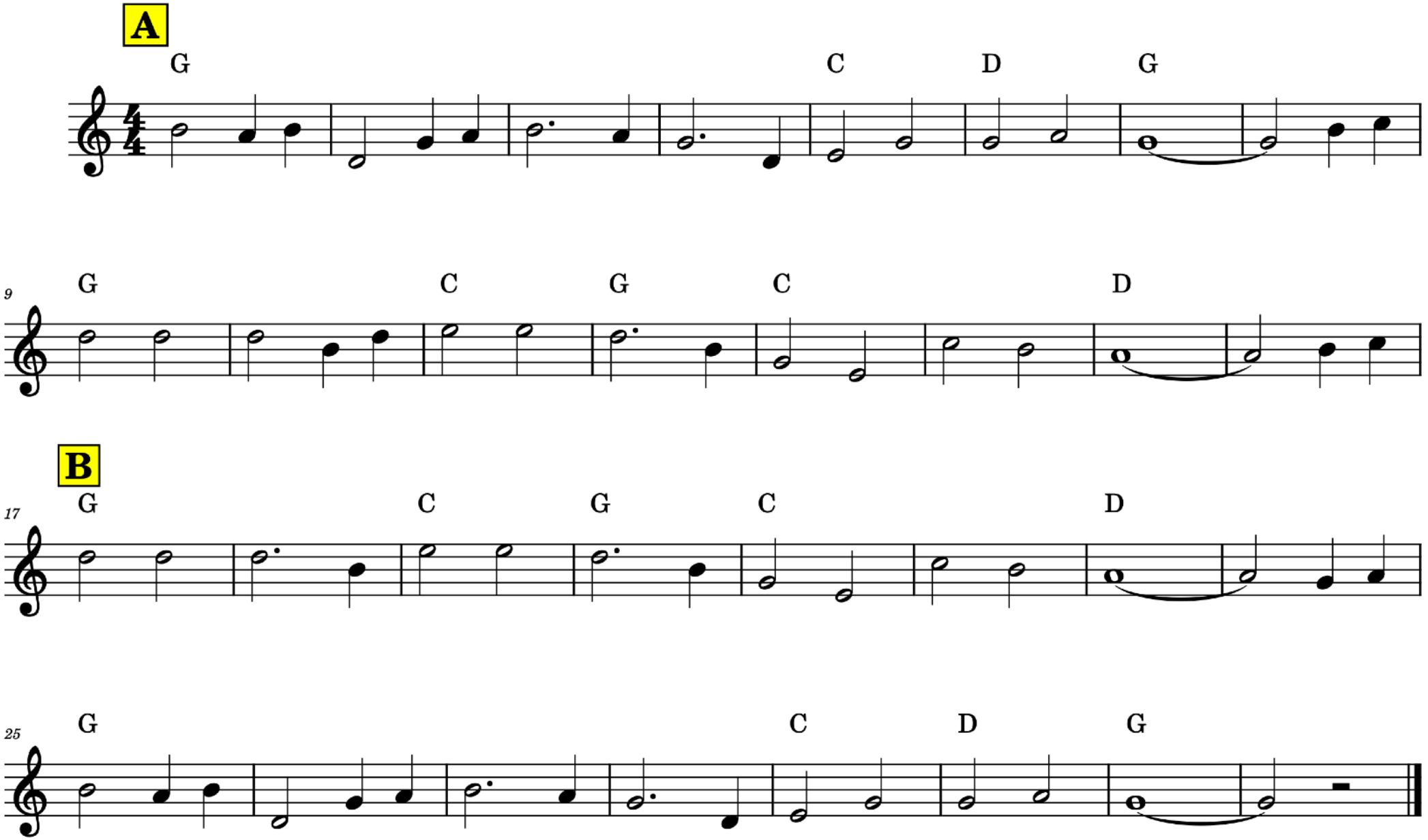


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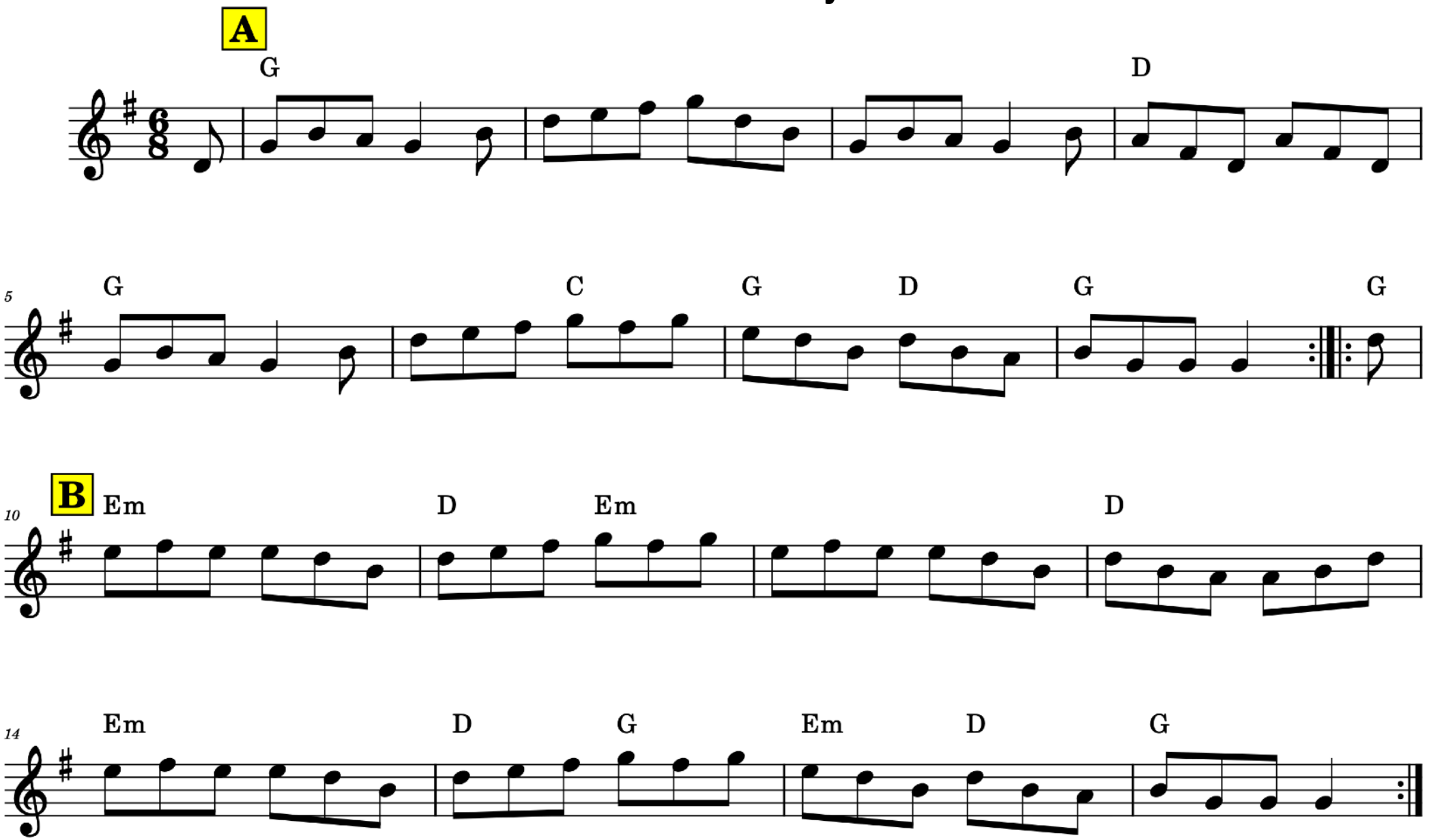


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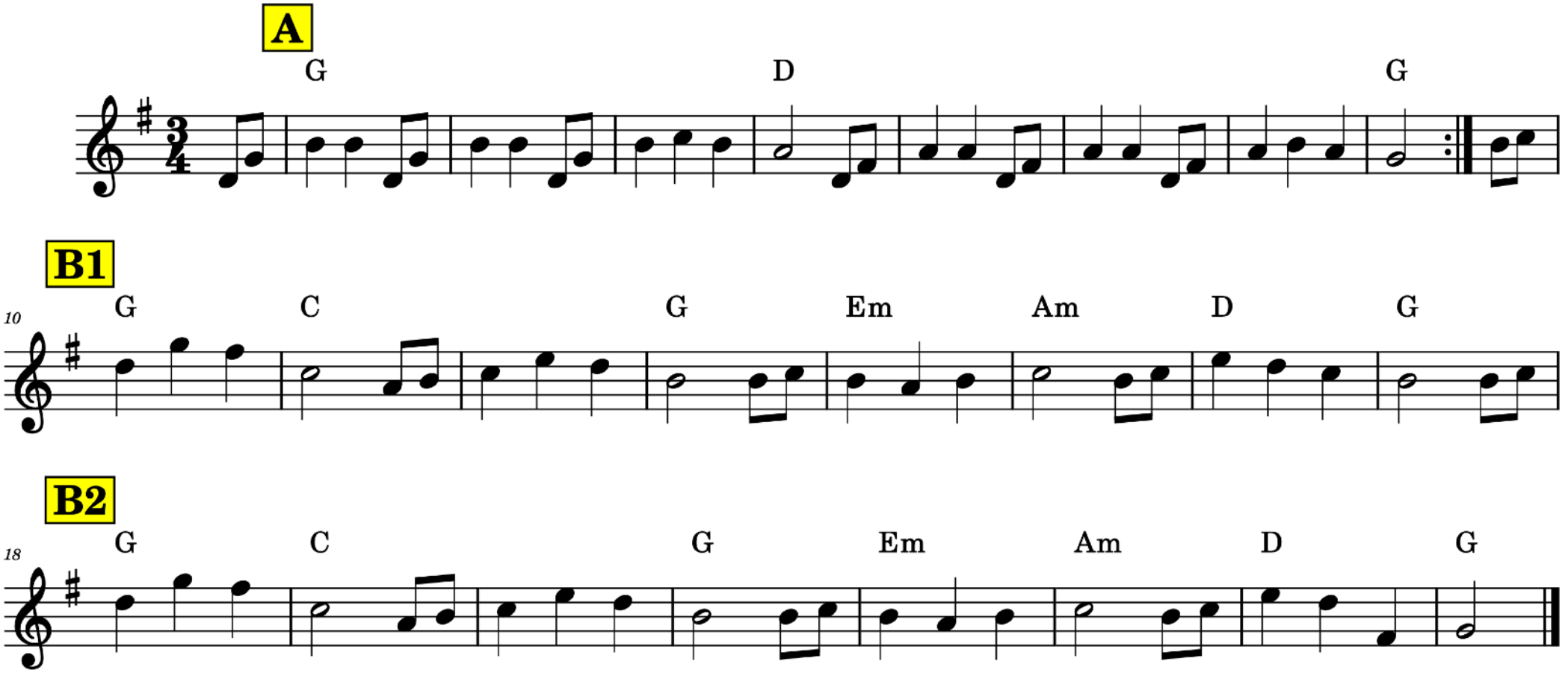


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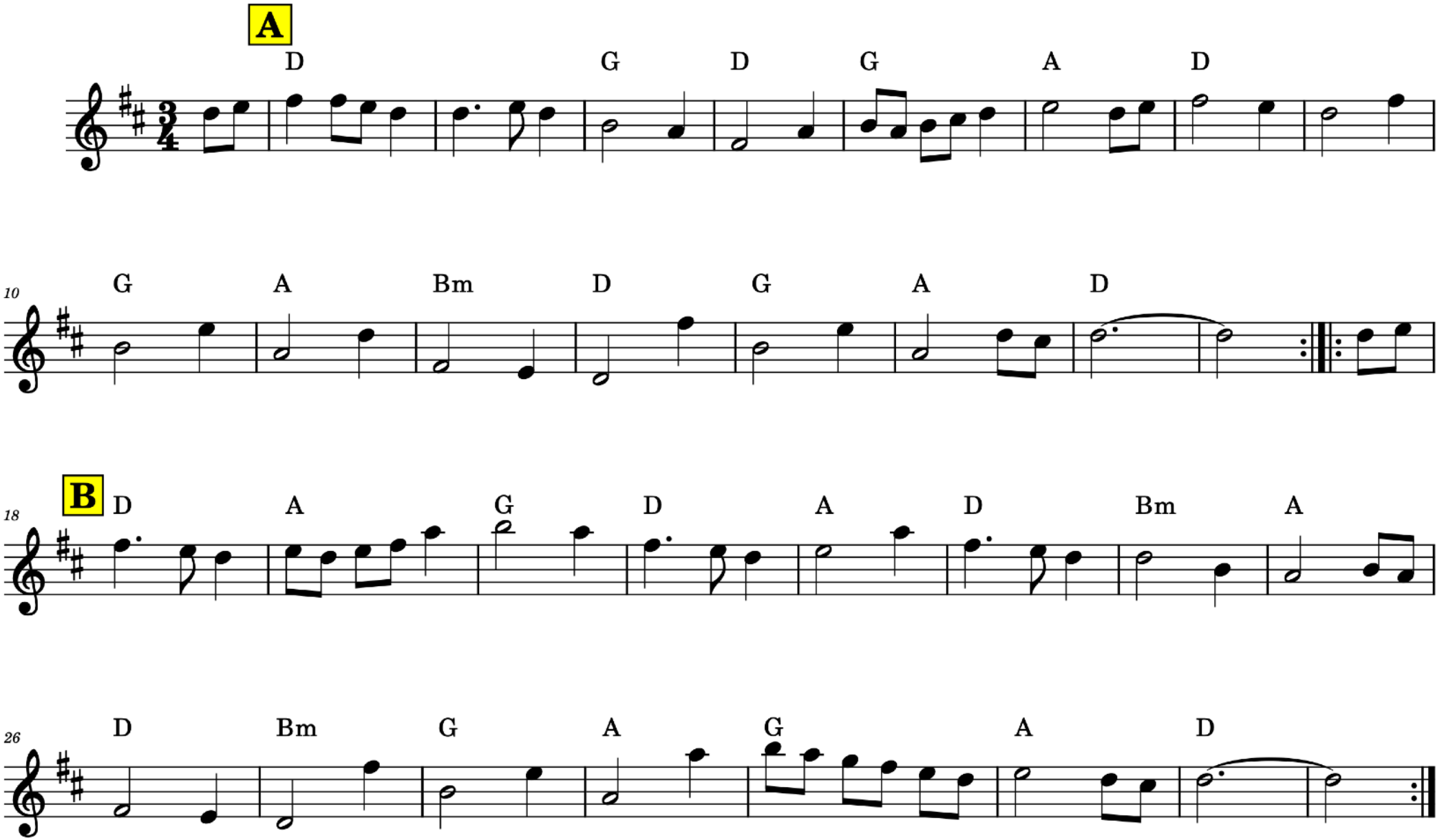


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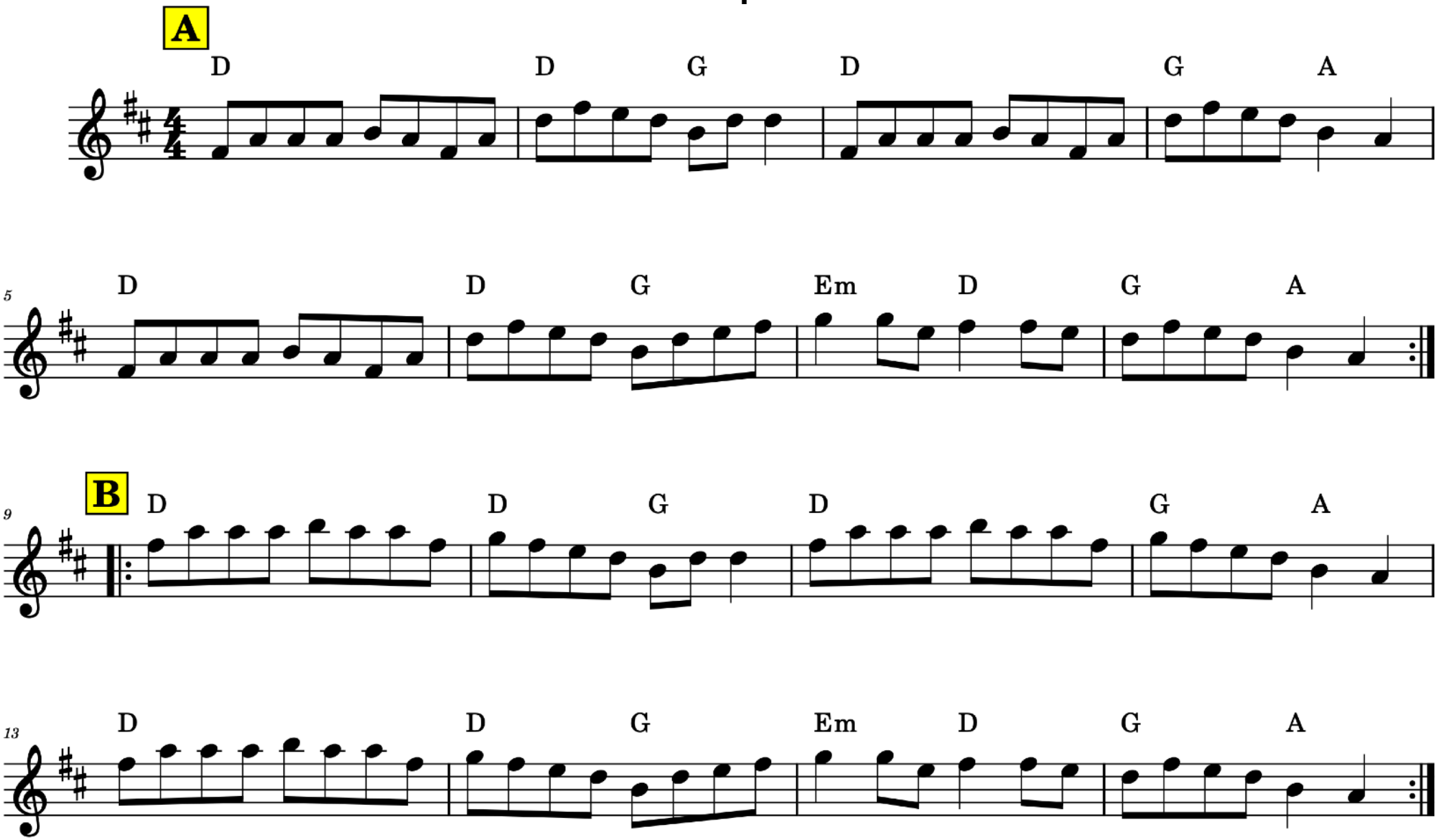
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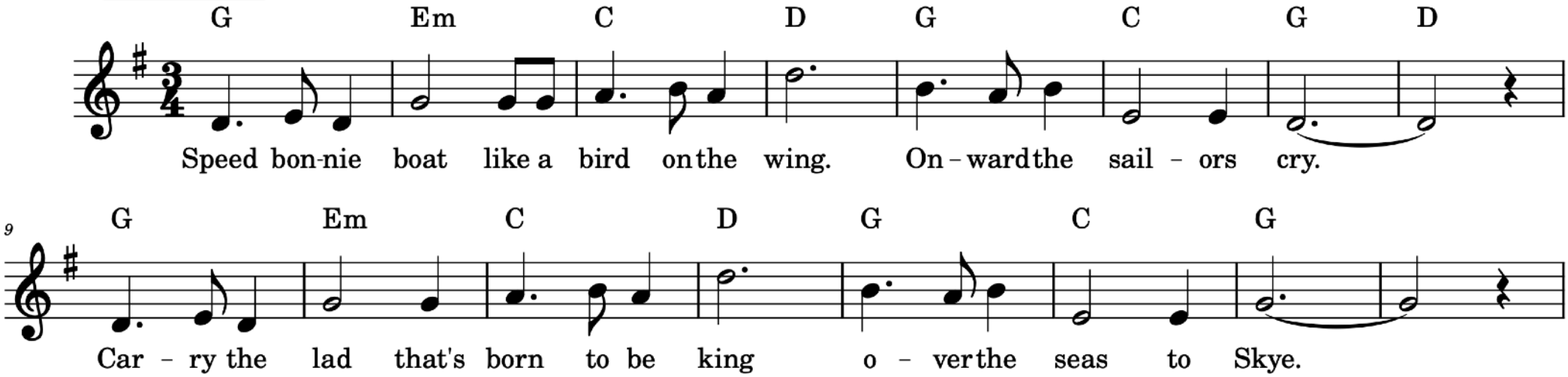


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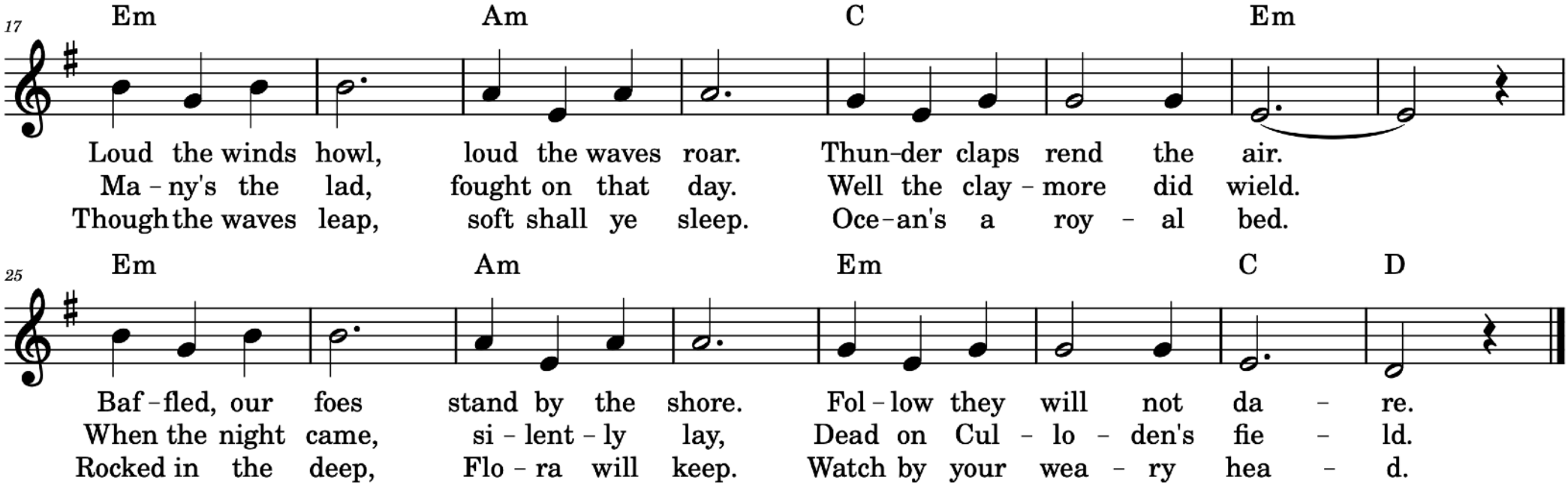


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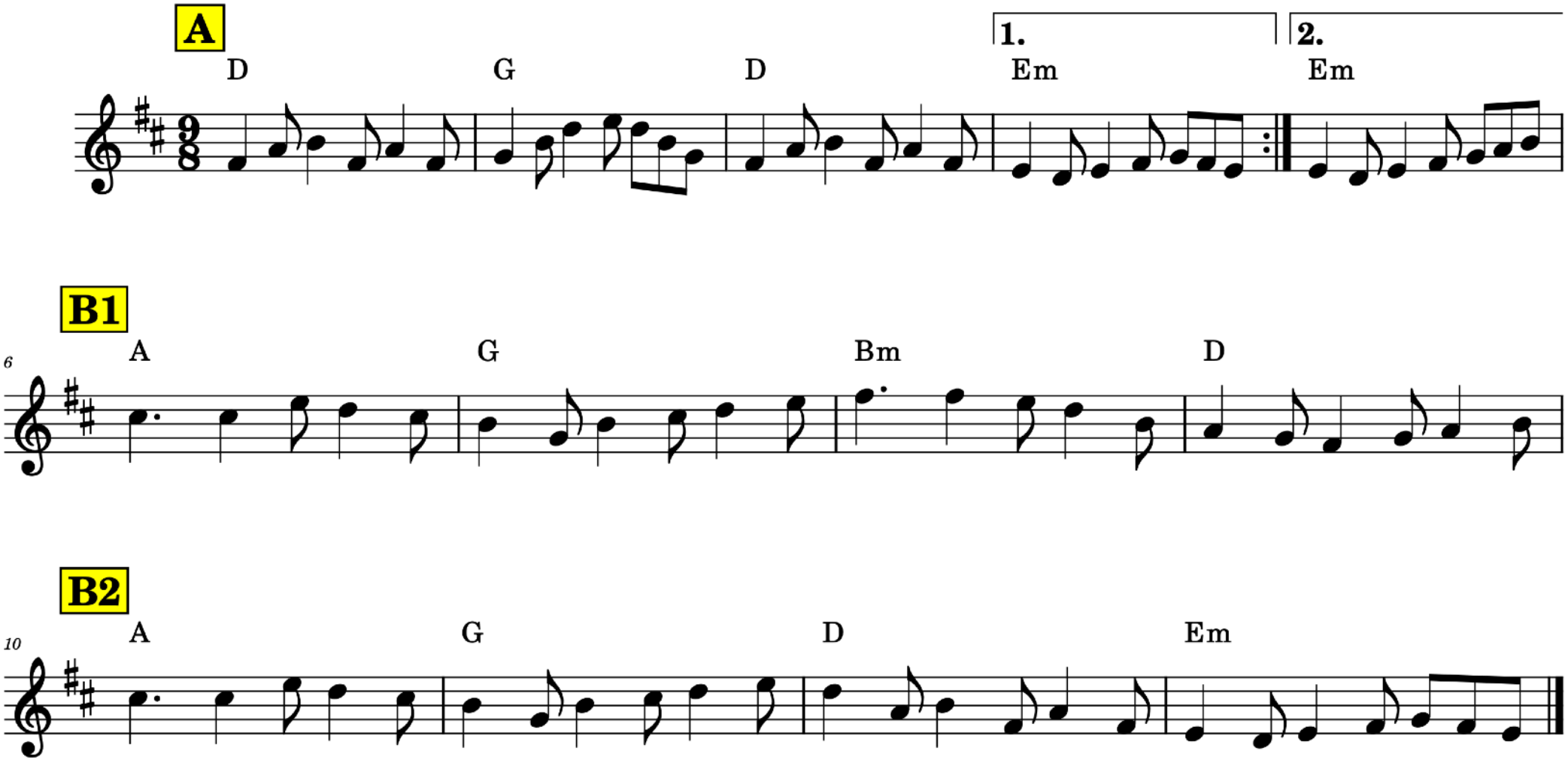
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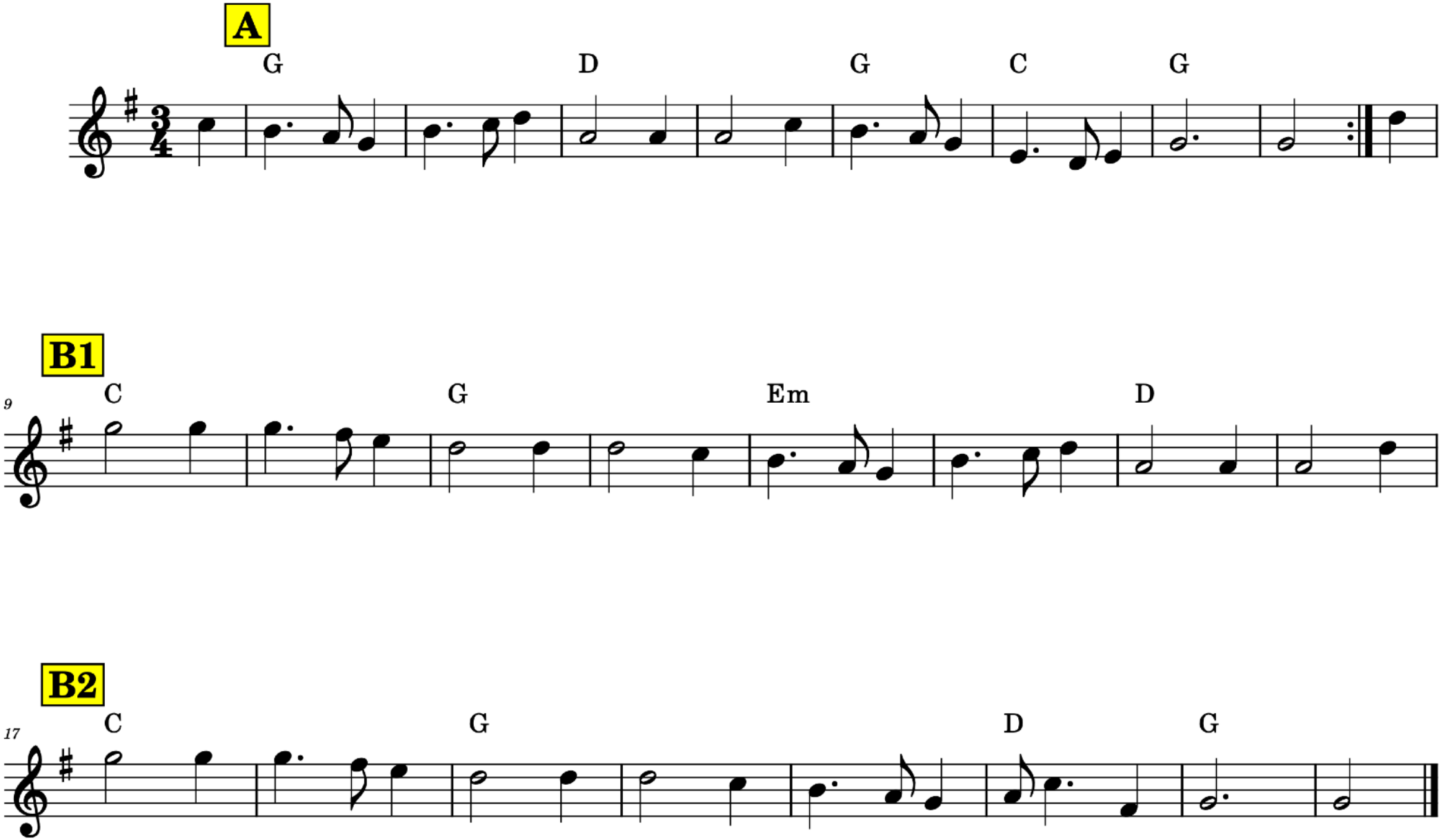


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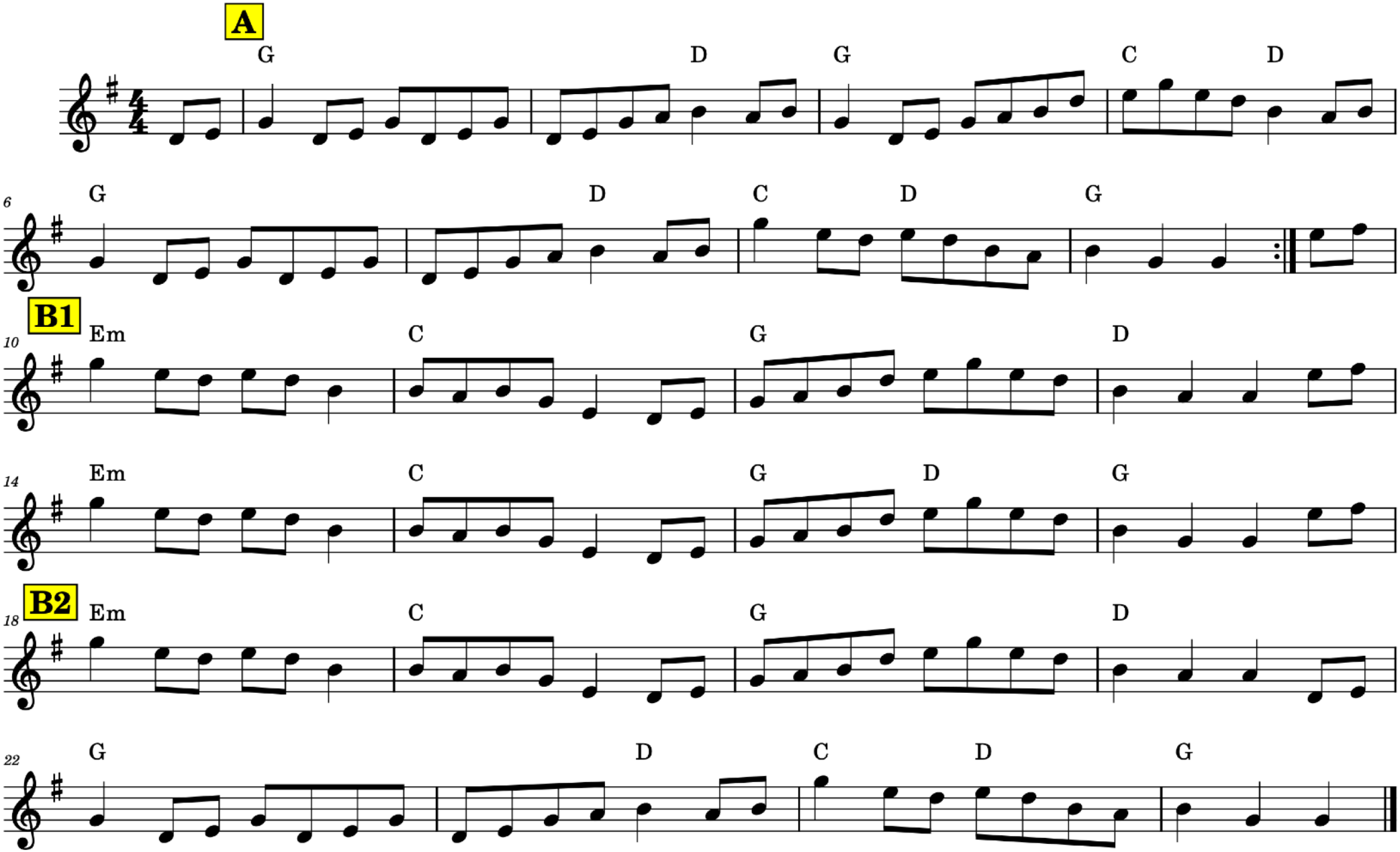


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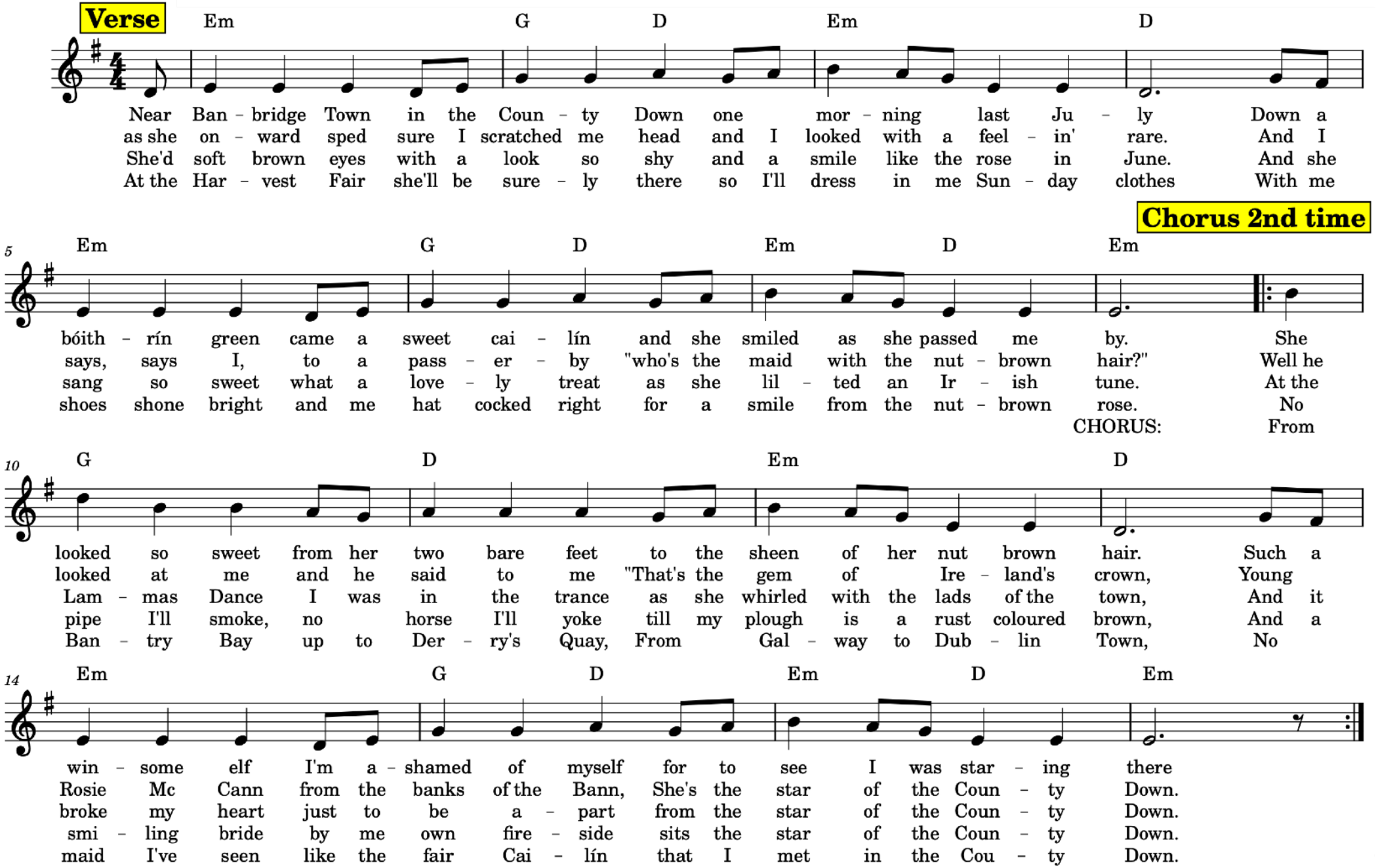
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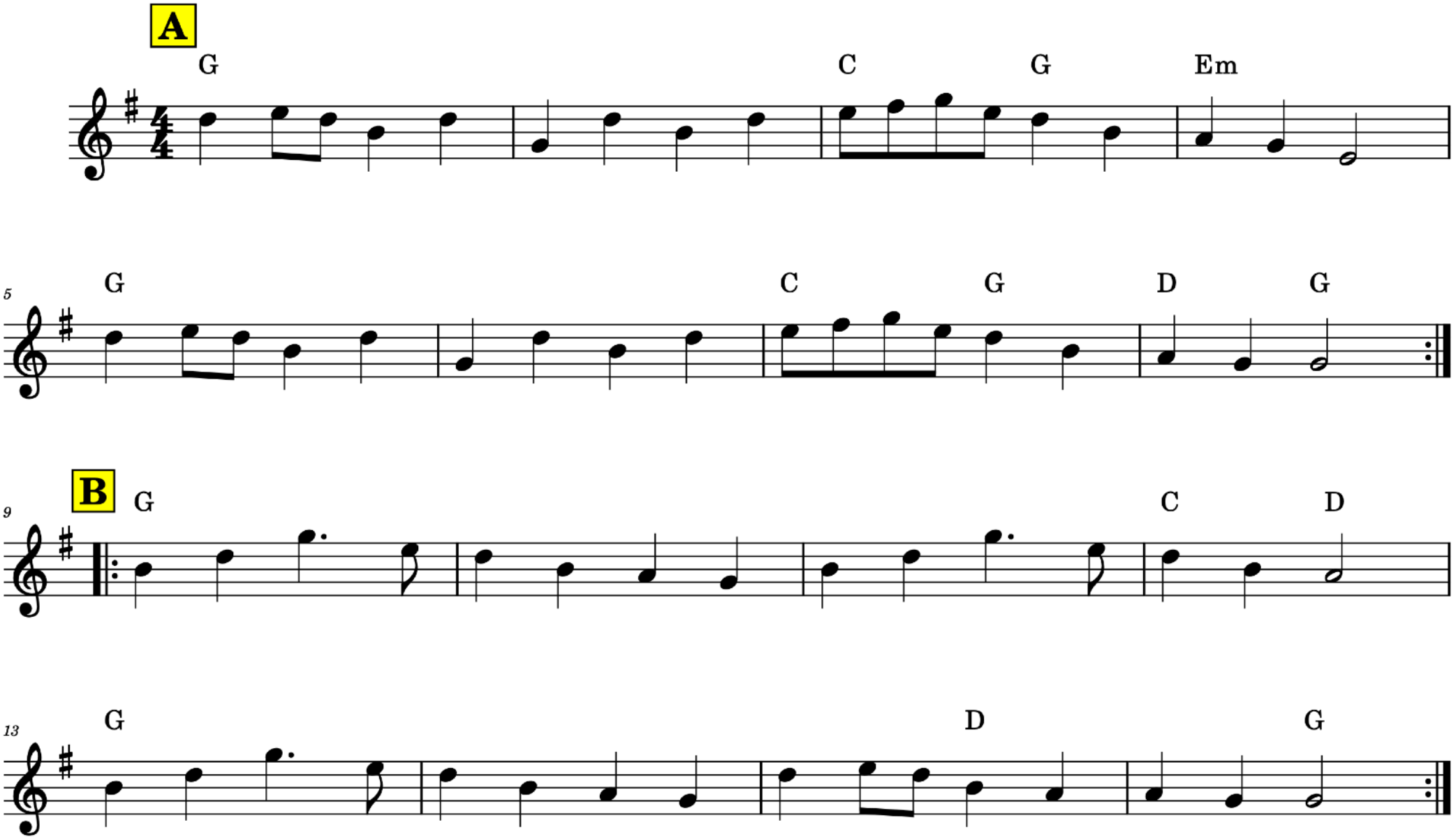


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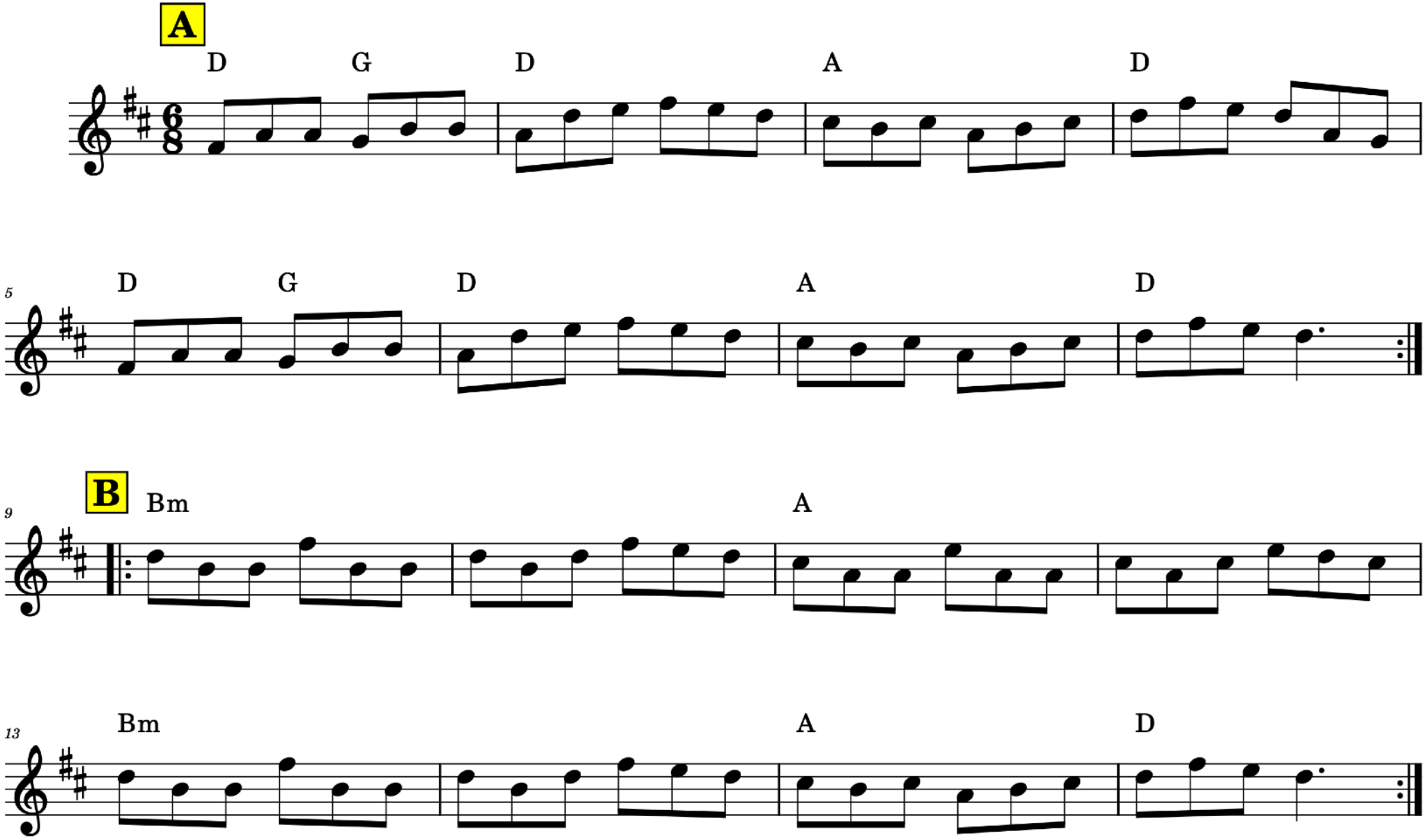
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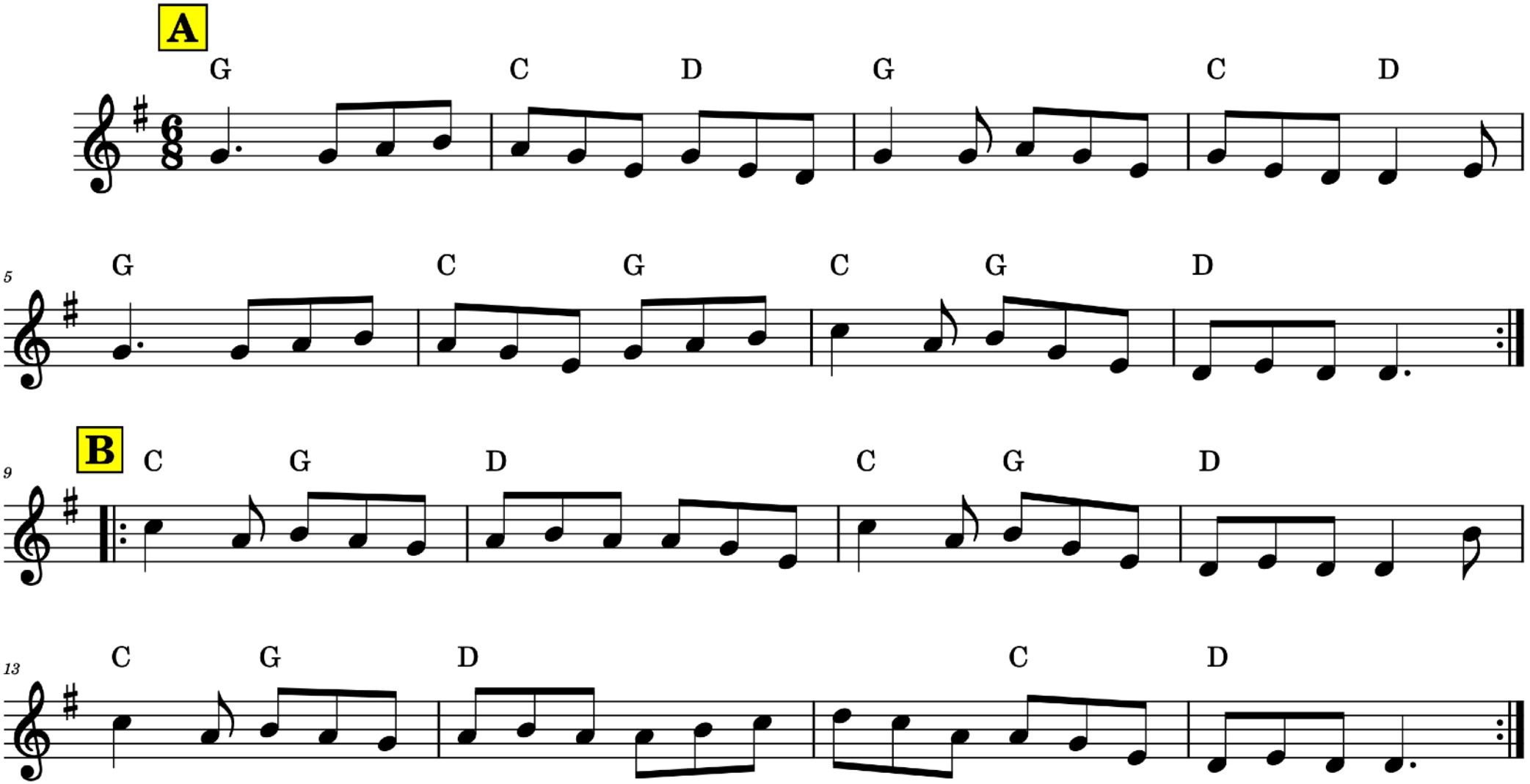


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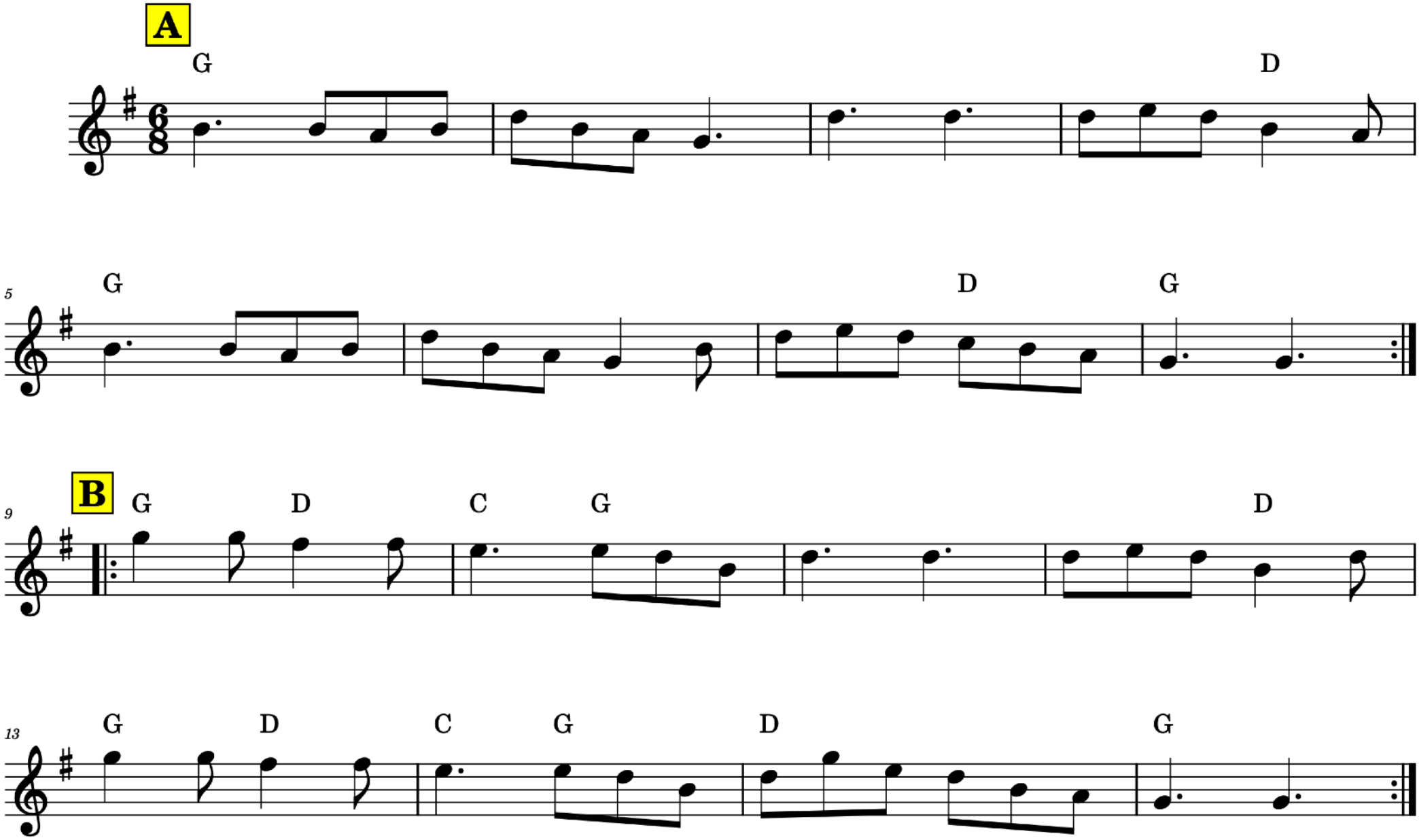


Ward's Jig

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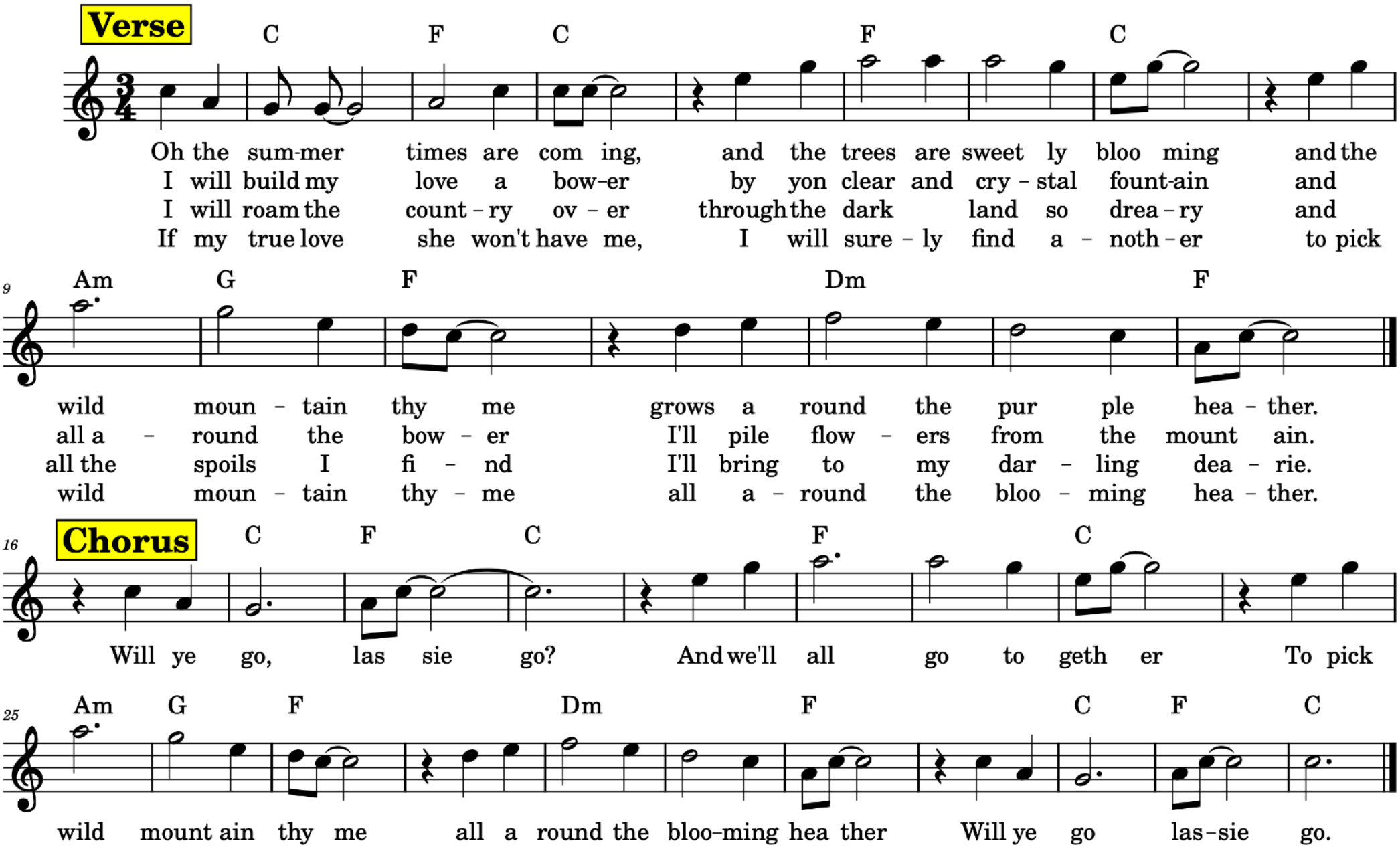


West Clare Jig



Wild Mountain Thyme

Frances McPeake



Wild Rover



D G

I've been a wild ro - ver for ma - ny's the year and I've
I went to an ale - house I used to fre - quent and I
I took from my pock - et ten so - ver - eigns bright and the
I'll go home to my pa - rents con - fessed what I've done and I'll

7 D A D

spent all me mon - ey on whis - key and beer and
told the land la - dy me mon - ey was spent. I
land - lad - y's eyes open - ed wide with de - light. She
ask them to par - don their pro - di - gal son and

12 D G

now I'm re - turn - ing with gold in great stores and I
asked her for cre - dit she an - swered me nay, say - ing
says I have whisk - eys and wines of the best and the
when they've ca - ressed me as oft times be - fore then I

17 D A D

ne - ver will play the wild ro - ver no more. And it's
cust - om like yours I can have an - y day.
words that you told me were on - ly in jest.
ne - ver will play the wild ro - ver no more.

21 A D G

no! Nay! Ne - ver! No nay ne - ver no more

28 D G A D

will I play the wild ro - ver no ne - ver no more.

Appendix: Tunes by type and key

Type	Key/Mode	Tune
Air	D major	Da Slockit Light
Air	G major	Inisheer
Air	A major	Piper's Weird
Air	D major	Sí Bheag, Sí Mhór (Sheebeg Shemore)
Air	G major	The South Wind
Barn Dance	G major	The Hills of Tara
Barn Dance	G major	Lucy Farr's Barn Dance
Hornpipe	D major	Boys of Blue Hill
Hornpipe	D major	Harvest Home
Hornpipe	E minor	King of the Fairies
Hornpipe	G major	Off to California
Hornpipe	E minor	The Rights of Man
Jig	D mixolydian	Banish Misfortune
Jig	G major	The Blackthorn Stick
Jig	G major	Blarney Pilgrim
Jig	D mixolydian	The Connaughtman's Rambles
Jig	A aeolian	Geese on the Bog
Jig	D major	Kerfunten
Jig	G major	Kesh Jig
Jig	B aeolian	The Lark in the Morning
Jig	G major	Merrily Kiss the Quaker's Wife
Jig	A dorian	Old Man Dillon
Jig	G major	Out on the Ocean (Portroe Jig)
Jig	A dorian	Rakes of Kildare
Jig	G major	Saddle the Pony
Jig	D major	Tripping Up the Stairs
Jig	D mixolydian	Ward's Jig
Jig	G major	West Clare Jig
March	G major	100 Pipers
March	A minor	Brian Boru's March
March	D mixolydian	King of Laois
March	G major	Roddy McCorley
Mazurka	G major	Shoe the Donkey
Polka	G major	Britches Full of Stitches
Polka	D major	Forty Pound Float
Polka	G major	Maggie in the Wood
Polka	D major	Murphy's Polka
Polka	G major	Rakes of Mallow
Polka	G major	Sweeney's Polka
Reel	D major	Concertina Reel
Reel	E minor	Dunmore Lasses

Type	Key/Mode	Tune
Reel	G major	Father Kelly's No. 1 (Rossmore Jetty)
Reel	D major	Humours of Tulla
Reel	D major	Merry Blacksmith
Reel	G major	Primrose Lass
Reel	A mixolydian	Silver Spear
Reel	G major	Spootiskerry
Slide	G major	Dingle Regatta
Slip Jig	E minor	The Butterfly
Slip Jig	E dorian	Comb Your Hair And Curl It
Slip Jig	G major	Don't Stick To The Floor
Slip Jig	D major	The Snowy Path
Song	E dorian	Arran Boat Song
Song	D major	Dirty Old Town
Song	D major	Fields of Athenry
Song	G major	I'll Tell Me Ma
Song	G major	Marie's Wedding
Song	F major	Mingulay Boat Song
Song	D major	Molly Malone
Song	D mixolydian	Skye Boat Song
Song	E minor	Star of County Down
Song	A aeolian	Wild Mountain Thyme

Type	Key/Mode	Tune
Song	D major	Wild Rover
Song (not sung)	E aeolian	Finnegan's Wake
Strathspey	D major	Calum's Road
Waltz	G major	Buachaill on Eirne (Come by the Hills)
Waltz	D major	Elsey's Waltz
Waltz	G major	Fanny Powers
Waltz	D major	Lover's Waltz
Waltz	A major	Margaret's Waltz (in A)
Waltz	G major	Margaret's Waltz (in G)
Waltz	G major	Planxty Irwin

Appendix: Version Changes

Version	Changes
May 2026	• Arran Boat Song changed chords and bar 19 • Don't Stick To The Floor corrected bar 4 • Elsey's Waltz added repeat marks at the end • Margaret's Waltz key signature • Merry Blacksmith - now the correct tune • Silver Spear corrected key signature • Wild Mountain Thyme completely re-wrote to match The Chieftains version
August 2026	• Britches Full of Stitches corrected chord in bar 4 • Harvest Home fixed first note • Re-added The Connaughtman's Rambles which seems to have rambled off for a while • "Dirty Old Town" - changed key to make it nicer to sing • The Snowy Path fixed a note • Wild Rover changed key to make it nicer to sing
October 2026	• Moved Merrily Kissed the Quaker's Wife back to where it should be so that Marie's Wedding is visible again. • Mingulay Boat Song - Added a bar at the end of the verse and chorus because it sounds better :) • The Rights of Man - Fix wrong note in first bar • Fields of Athenry - Change key to D major to make it more singable