

# The First Noel

*Old English Carol*

*Traditional Melody*

The first Noel the angel did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
Born is the King of Israel.

They look-ed up and saw a star  
Shining in the east, beyond them far;  
And to the earth it gave great light  
And so it continued both day and night.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
Born is the King of Israel.

And by the light of that same star  
Three Wise Men came from country far;  
To seek for a king was their intent,  
And to follow the star where ever it went.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
Born is the King of Israel.

This star drew nigh to the northwest,  
Over Bethlehem it took its rest;  
And there it did both stop and stay,  
Right over the place where Jesus lay.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
Born is the King of Israel.

**Bible Verse:** And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths and laid Him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. Luke 2:6-7 ESV