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## Dirty Face

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# TRY THIS OVER ON YOUR PIANO THE STORY OF A FADED FLOWER

Words and Music by BEN. RITCHIE

REFRAIN

Ev-'ry dew - drop on this flow - er, Is a  
tear for you I've shed, And each  
pet - al that has fad - ed, Was a  
hope that since has fled, But the

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# DIRTY FACE.

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Words by LAWRENCE STEDMAN.

Music by AL STEDMAN.

Moderato.

PIANO

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand features a series of chords and arpeggiated figures, while the left hand plays a steady bass line with eighth notes. The tempo is marked 'Moderato' and the dynamics include a forte 'f' marking.

The teach-er in — the vil-lage school —  
Now, lit-tle Nic - o - dem - us Lee, Said,

The first line of the song features a vocal melody in the treble clef and piano accompaniment in the grand staff. The piano part includes a mezzo-forte 'mf' dynamic marking.

Ev - 'ry morn - - ing made the rule, — Be - fore we start — the  
if the white — folks, why not me, — Go to school — and

The second line of the song continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part includes a mezzo-forte 'mf' dynamic marking.

dai - ly toil — Cold wa - ter should re - - move the soil. — Said  
learn to spell; — I'll do the same — and do it well. — With

The third line of the song concludes the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part includes a mezzo-forte 'mf' dynamic marking.

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la - zy Will, — 'whose face and hands, — Looked just like — a  
hands and face — as black as night — He drove the chil - - dren

boo - gy man's, — My Grand - pa said, — and it's no lie, — A  
in a fright, — They ne'er had seen — a lit - tle moke — And

peck of dirt — eat 'fore you die. — The oth - er chil - - dren  
forth their cries — of ang - er broke; — But Nic - o - dem - - us

grabbed their lids — And yelled at Will - - ie just like kids. —  
yelled with glee, — Go wash your-self, — you can't wash me. —

## CHORUS

Dirt-y face,— oh! dirt-y face,— To the school you bring dis-grace.—

Go and get— a bar of soap— And wash your face;— don't be a mope.—

Al-ways on— the dunc-es' stool,— Dis-o-bey-ing ev-'ry rule;—

This bad boy— is out of place— 'Cause he got a dirt-y face.—

# TRY THIS OVER ON YOUR PIANO COULD YOU LEARN TO LOVE ME?

Words by CAROL VOX  
CHORUS

Music by BEN. RITCHIE

Could you learn to love me if you tried, ——— Tell me if you had me by your side, ———

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Would you care if I should steal a kiss or two, Tell me true, Would you?

How'd you like to al-ways have me near, ——— Tell me would you let me call you dear? ———

If I would-n't tease you, Always try to please you, Could you learn to love me dear? ——— dear? ———

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