

Blue Suede Shoes

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Moderately fast shuffle (♩ = ♩³)

N.C. A N.C. A N.C.

Well, it's one for the mon-ey, two for the show, three to get read-y, now

D9

go, cat, go, and don't you step on my blue suede shoes.

A E9

Well, you can do an-y-thing, but stay

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A

off of my blue _ suede shoes. Well, you can

A

knock me down, _ step on my face, _ slan - der my name all
burn my house, _ steal _ my car, _ drink _ my liq - uor from an

o - ver the place. _ } I'll do an - y - thing _ that you wan - na do, _ but
old _ fruit _ jar. }

D9

uh, uh, hon - ey, lay off _ of them shoes. And don't _ you

A

step on my blue _ suede shoes. _ Well, you can

Detailed description: This system contains the first two measures of music. The vocal line starts with a quarter note 'step', followed by a quarter rest, then a quarter note 'on', a quarter note 'my', a quarter note 'blue', a quarter rest, a quarter note 'suede', a quarter note 'shoes.', a quarter rest, and finally a quarter note 'Well,' followed by a quarter rest and a quarter note 'you' followed by a quarter rest and a quarter note 'can'. The piano accompaniment features a bass line of quarter notes and a treble line with chords and eighth notes.

E9

A

do an - y - thing, _ but stay off of my blue _ suede shoes. { Spoken: Let's go, Spoken: Rock it!

Detailed description: This system contains the next two measures. The vocal line continues with 'do an - y - thing,' (with a quarter rest), 'but stay off of my blue _ suede shoes.' (with a quarter rest). It then includes two spoken phrases: 'Spoken: Let's go,' and 'Spoken: Rock it!'. The piano accompaniment continues with similar rhythmic patterns.

cats! }

(1.,2.) Guitar solo ad lib.

Detailed description: This system is primarily piano accompaniment. The vocal line is mostly empty, with a few notes at the beginning. The piano part features a bass line of quarter notes and a treble line with chords and eighth notes. The text 'cats! }' is written above the first measure, and '(1.,2.) Guitar solo ad lib.' is written in the center of the system.

D

A

E

Detailed description: This system is primarily piano accompaniment. The vocal line is mostly empty. The piano part features a bass line of quarter notes and a treble line with chords and eighth notes. The text 'D', 'A', and 'E' are written above the first, second, and fourth measures respectively, indicating chord changes.

A

1. 2.

Well, you can Well, it's

one for the mon - ey, two for the show, three to get read - y, now

D9 A

go, go, go, but don't _ you step on my blue _ suede shoes. _

E9

You can do an - y - thing, _ but stay off of my blue _ suede

A

shoes. Well, it's blue, blue, blue suede shoes.

The first system of music features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The vocal line starts with a whole note rest, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and G4. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand and chords in the right hand.

D

Blue, blue, blue — suede shoes, *yeah!* Blue, blue, blue — suede shoes, ba-by.

The second system continues the piece with a new key signature of two sharps (F#, C#). The vocal line has quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and G4, followed by a quarter rest and then quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and G4. The piano accompaniment features a more complex chordal structure in the right hand.

A E

Blue, blue, blue — suede shoes. — You can do an - y - thing, — but stay off —

The third system returns to the key signature of three sharps. The vocal line includes a triplet of eighth notes (G4, A4, B4) and a quarter note G4. The piano accompaniment has a simple bass line and chords.

A

— of my blue suede shoes.

The final system is in the key of three sharps. The vocal line consists of quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and G4. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords.