

# The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face

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Slowly

*mf very smoothly throughout*

The first system of the piano introduction, consisting of two measures. The right hand plays a series of eighth notes, and the left hand plays a simple bass line.

The second system of the piano introduction, also consisting of two measures, continuing the melodic and harmonic patterns from the first system.

**Dm7** **G7** **C**

*mf*



1. The first time ev-er I saw your face  
 2. And the first time ev-er I kissed your mouth  
 3. And the first time ev-er I lay with you

This system contains the vocal entry. It features three guitar chord diagrams: Dm7, G7, and C. The vocal line is written in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

**Am**

I thought the sun rose  
 I felt the earth move  
 I felt your heart so

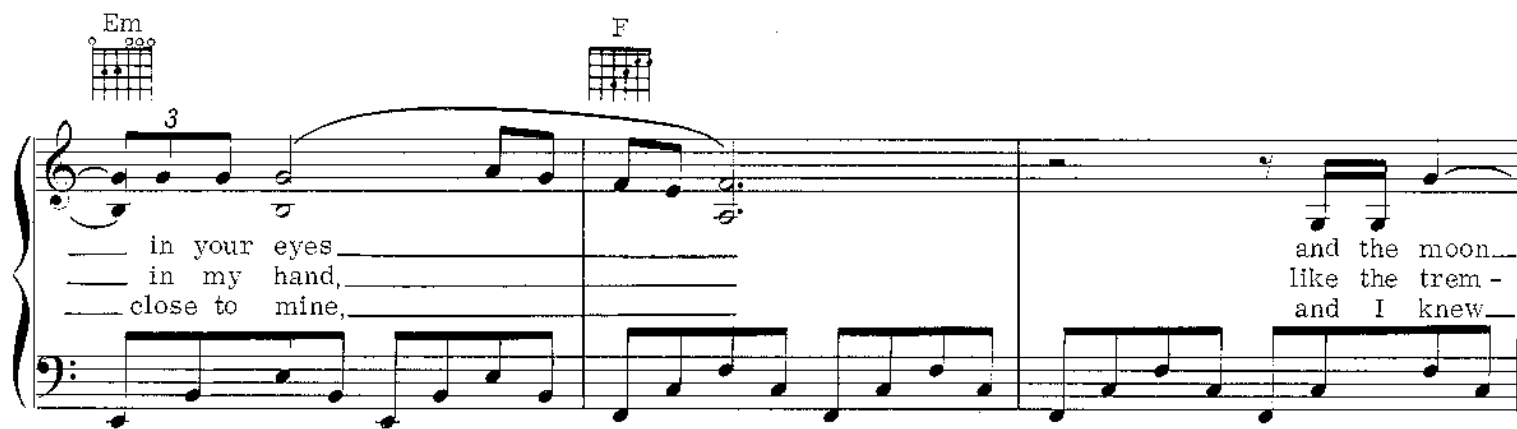
This system continues the vocal line. It features one guitar chord diagram: Am. The vocal line continues in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment continues in the bass clef.




Em  F 

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in your eyes  
in my hand,  
close to mine,

and the moon  
like the trem-  
and I knew



C/G  Dm7/G  C 

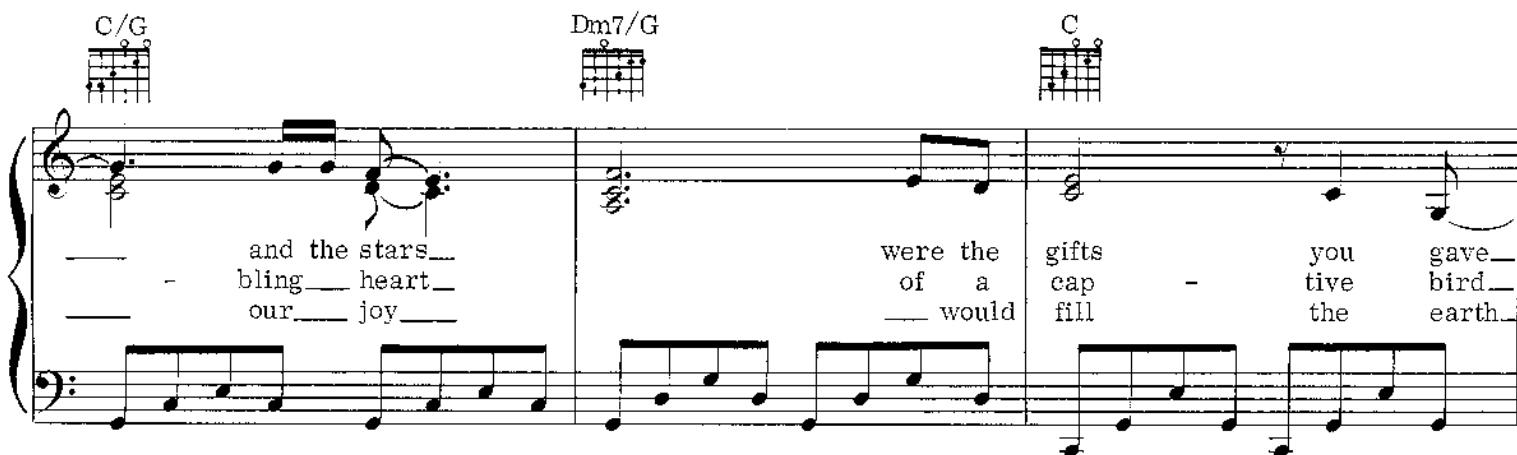
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

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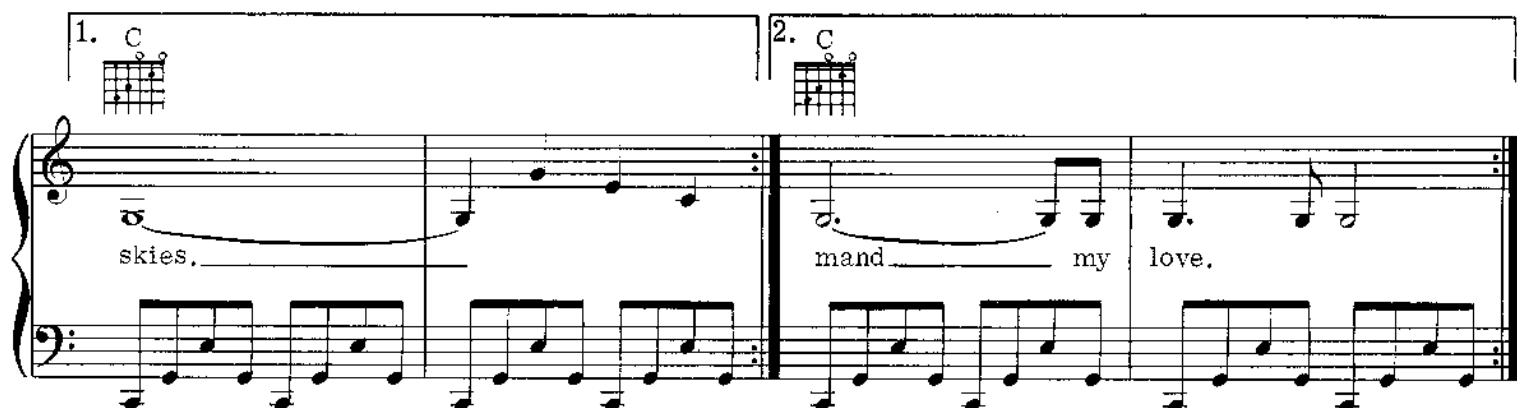
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1. C  2. C 

skies.

mand my love.



3. C Dm7

time, my love. The first time

This system contains the first three measures of the piece. It features a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. Above the staff, guitar chord diagrams are provided for the first two measures: a C major chord (x32010) and a Dm7 chord (xx0232). The lyrics are: "time, my love. The first time".

C G7

ev-er I saw your

This system contains measures 4 and 5. The melody continues in the treble clef. Above the staff, guitar chord diagrams are provided for the first two measures: a C major chord (x32010) and a G7 chord (xx3233). The lyrics are: "ev-er I saw your".

C Bb C

face your face your face

This system contains measures 6, 7, and 8. The melody continues in the treble clef. Above the staff, guitar chord diagrams are provided for the first, second, and third measures: a C major chord (x32010), a Bb major chord (xx3133), and a C major chord (x32010). The lyrics are: "face your face your face".

Bb C

your face.

This system contains measures 9, 10, and 11. The melody continues in the treble clef. Above the staff, guitar chord diagrams are provided for the first two measures: a Bb major chord (xx3133) and a C major chord (x32010). The lyrics are: "your face.". The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat signs.