

# GOD BLESS AMERICA

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The musical score consists of four staves of music. The first staff starts with "Freely (in broad 4)" and includes lyrics "While the storm clouds gath-er". The second staff starts with "Freely (in broad 4)" and includes lyrics "Far a-cross the sea, Let us swear al - le-giance". The third staff continues the melody with lyrics "To a land that's free." The fourth staff concludes the section with lyrics "Let us all be grate-ful". Various dynamics like *mf*, *mf*(untr.), *ff*, and *ff*(untr.) are indicated. Performance instructions include circled A and B, slurs, and a note marked "Ob." with a curved line. Measures are numbered 1 through 12.

\*Dotted slur means no breath here.

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13                  14 (div.)                  15                  16

For a land so fair,  
As we raise our voices  
Ob, as we raise our voices

Moderate 2 17                  18 (C) (Muted tone, with fervent intensity) 20  
rit. mp (unis.)

In a solemn prayer.  
God bless America  
(Muted tone, with fervent intensity)  
mp

(C) Moderate 2

21                  22                  23                  24                  25 (div.) 26

mer - i - ca, —  
Land that I love, — Stand be

rit.                  mp

tempo loco

\* Top notes of r.h. octaves may be omitted here and in similar figures following.

D (gradual crescendo to letter E) 27 29 30 31

side her and guide her Thru the night with a

(gradual crescendo to letter E)

D gra 32 33 34 35

gra

(gradual crescendo to letter E)

36 37 38 39 40

light from above; From the moun-tains,

mf (mel.)

From the moun-tains, To the

41 42 43 44 45

To the prairies, To the o-ceans white with foam,

prai- ries, To the o - ceans white with foam,

42 (mel.) 43 f  
 God bless A - mer - i - ca, My

44 45

Freely  
 47 rit. 48 home sweet home. God bless A -  
 rit. p (Rushed tone)

50 (Rushed tone) 51 Freely  
 rit. p

53 54 55 56 57 pp 58  
 mer - i - ca, My home sweet home. pp  
 p pp