

# Eight Billion People

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$\text{♩} = 60$

1 C G F G

Eight bill-ion people are on our earth t-o-day. Eight bil - ion peo-ple live and work and play.

5 C G F C

Eight bil - ion peo-ple - is thaten-nough for you? Eight bil - ion people, seems like quite a few.

9 F

How man-y can we car - ry? I'd real - ly li - ke to know, be-cause it is get - ting scar - y to

12 G F

keep up with this show. How will we feed them? How will we clothe them? Can

14 C F G

we their water sup-ply? When all the a - qui-fers and the ri - vers are al-read-y go - ing dry?

The musical score consists of four staves of music. The first staff starts with a common time signature, then changes to 2/4 for the second staff, 3/4 for the third, and back to 2/4 for the fourth. The key signature is C major throughout. The music is primarily in G major, indicated by a G chord above the staff. The bass line is mostly in F major. The vocal line follows a simple harmonic progression of C, G, F, and G chords. The lyrics are integrated into the music, with each line corresponding to a specific chord. The first section ends with a question, followed by a statement, and then a rhetorical question. The second section continues with a question, followed by a statement, and a final rhetorical question. The third section ends with a question, followed by a statement, and a final rhetorical question. The fourth section ends with a question, followed by a statement, and a final rhetorical question.

17 F C F

Can our plan - et o-ver the long term such a load sustain?  
Or will our earth just give out un -

20 G C G

der-neath all this strain?

23 C G C G

Eight bil-lion peo-ple. Are on our earth right now.

27 F G C

Eight bil-lion peo-people.  
Is there earth to plow?  
Eight bil-lion peo-people.  
Don't you

30 G F C

think that's quite e-nough,  
eight bil-ion peo-people,  
on one pla-net to stuff?