

Breakfast @ Family

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for 2(x2)-part Speech Choir (primary schools)*

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Programme Notes

This work is to an extent my response to some of the requests in past years regarding the lack of English language *Speech Choir* works in the repertoire. Taking on various favourite breakfast items children would like as the main source of lyrics, this short piece plays mainly on the rhythmic and motivic variants of the names of each breakfast items with juxtapositioning among various parts. The main musical focus is on rhythmic and vocal textures as projected by the combination of the motivic utterances among different voices.

The title of the work takes a pun from the famous 1961 film "*Breakfast at Tiffany*" with which this work has absolutely no relationship of course. *Breakfast @ Family* is commissioned by the Hong Kong Association of Music Educators (HAME) for its 2020 Hong Kong Speech Choir Festival as a set piece, with sponsorship from CASH Hong Kong Music Fund.

Notes on Performance

This is a straight-forward Speech Choir composition in the classical sense as such that the focus of a good performance lies on clear diction, good appropriation of dynamics among different voices as well as precise rhythmic control.

Everything is notated without much room for improvisation, although the speech notation method here does not provide suggestions of voicing articulation of individual words - hence it is possible (and necessary) for the conductor to specify the exact intonation (pitch-wise) of different words/phrases in the music, so as to achieve the right musical texture/interests as well as a good balance among the voices.

The lyrics of different parts are mostly the same. Hence it is suggested initially to practice voicing the same texts together with all the parts in unison to achieve uniformity of expression and articulation, so that when separated into context, each voice would be more closely related and unified.

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Allegro

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♩ = 136

mp

High

4/4

Morn ing! Morn ing! Morn ingmorn ingMorn ing! Morn - ing! Morn - ing! Morn ingmorn ingMorn - ing!

mp

Low

4/4

Morn ing! Morn ing! Morn ingmorn ingMorn ing! Morn ingMa - meMorn ingDad-dy! Morn - ing sis-ter bro-ther

5

H.

Morn-ing Ma me Morn-ingDad-dy! Morn - ing sis-ter brother Gran - nie! Break-fast there for me?

mf

L.

Gran - nie! Morn ing! Morn - ing! Morn-ingmorn-ing Morn ing! Break-fast there for

9

H.

Break-fast yet for me? Morn- ing! Morn- ing! Morn-ingmorn-ing Morn - ing! I want

f

L.

me? Break-fast yet for me? Morn- ing! Morn - ing! Morn-ingmorn-ing Morn- ing!

13

H.

break-fast now! I want break-fast now! Toast - ie! Toast - ie! I want Toast - ie!

f

L.

I want break-fast now! I want break-fast now!

A *piu f*

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H. *mf* *ff*
 Toast-ie Toast-ie Toast-ie Toast-ie I want Toast-ie I want Toast-ie Brown bread! White bread!

L. *piu f* *ff*
 Toast - ie! Toast - ie! I want Toast - ie! Brown bread! White bread! Brown bread! White bread!

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H. *mf* *f* *ff*
 Mult - i seeds Mult - i seeds Cin-na-mon rolls! Brown bread! White bread!

L. *mf* *f* *ff*
 Mult - i seeds Mult - i seeds Mult-i seeds Mult-i seeds & Cin-na-mon rolls! Brown bread!

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H. *mf* *f*
 Brown bread! White bread! Mult-i seeds Mult-i seeds Mult-i seeds Mult-i seeds & Cin-na-mon rolls!

L. *mf* *f*
 White bread! Mult - i seeds Mult - i seeds Cin-na-mon rolls!

B

29 *mp* *f* *mf* *mf*

H. Morn-ing morn-ing Morn-ing morn-ing morn-ing Break-fast there for me?

L. *mf* *mp* *f* *mf*
 morn-ing Morn-ing morn-ing Morn-ing morn-ing Break-fast there for
 morn-ing Morn-ing morn-ing Morn-ing morn-ing Break-fast

32 *f*

H. Break-fast yet for me? Jam & But-ter! Jam & But-ter! Cream cheese!

L. me? Break-fast yet for me? Jam & But-ter! Jam & But-ter! Jam & But-ter!

me? Break-fast yet for me? What is good? What is good? What is good? What is good?

there for me? Break-fast yet for me? What is good? What is good? What is

36 *piu f* *f*

H. Cream cheese! Jam & Pea-nut But-ter! Jam & Pea-nut But-ter! Cream cheese!

L. Cream cheese! Jam & Pea-nut But-ter! Jam & Pea-nut But-ter! Jam & But-ter!

What is good? What is good? What is good? What is good?

good? What is good? What is good? What is good? What is

40 *piu f* *ff* *mp* **C** *p*

H. Cream cheese! (unison) Mar-ma-lade Shu! The Ba - by can't take Mar-ma-lade! The

L. Cream cheese! (unison) Mar-ma-lade Shu! The Ba - by can't take Mar-ma-lade! The

What is good? Mar-ma-lade Shu! The Ba - by can't take Mar-ma-lade! The

good? What is good? Mar-ma-lade Shu! The Ba - by can't take Mar-ma-lade! The

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H. *mp* *poco cresc.*
 Ba - by can't take Mar - ma-lade! The Ba - by can't take Mar - ma-lade! The Ba - by can't take Mar - ma-lade! The

L. *mp* *poco cresc.*
 Ba - by can't take Mar - ma-lade! The Ba - by can't take Mar - ma-lade! The Ba - by can't take

H. *p* *mp*
 Ba - by can't take Mar - ma-lade! Shuu.. Shuu.. The Ba - by can't take Mar - ma-lade! The

L. *p* *mp*
 Ba - by can't take Mar - ma-lade! Shuu.. Shuu.. Shuu.. The Ba - by can't take

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H. *f* *ff*
 Ba - by can't take Mar-ma-lade! The Ba - by can't take Mar - ma - lade! Shu! (Unison)

L. *poco cresc.* *f* *ff*
 Mar-ma-lade! The Ba - by can't take Mar-ma-lade! The Ba-by can't take Mar - ma - lade! Shu! (Unison)

H. *f* *ff*
 Ba - by can't take Mar - ma - lade! Shu!

L. *poco cresc.* *f* *ff*
 Ba - by can't take Mar-ma-lade! Ba - by Ba - by Ba-by can't take Mar - ma - lade! Shu!

Mar-ma-lade! The Ba - by can't take Mar-ma-lade Ba-by can't take Mar-ma Mar-ma Mar-ma-lade! Shu!

D

53

H. *mf* *f* *mf* *f* *mf* *f*
 Break-fast yet for me? Break-fast yet for me? Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea?

L. *mf* *f* *mf* *f*
 Break-fast yet for me? Break-fast yet for me? Choc-o-late, Milk or

56 *f*

H. Two fried eggs! Two fried eggs! Sun-ny side up Sun-ny side up O-ver & ea-sy O-ver & ea-sy

L. *f* *mf* *f*
Tea? Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea? Two fried eggs! Two fried eggs!

60 *mf* *f* *mf* *f* *f*

H. Choc - o-late, Milk or Tea? Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea? Ham, mush - room To -

L. Sun-ny side up Sun-ny side up O - ver & ea - sy O - ver & ea - sy Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea?

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H. ma - to ba-con& hash Brown bread! White bread! Choc-o-late, Milk & Tea Brown bread! White bread!

L. *mf* *f*
Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea? Ham, mush-room To - ma - to ba-con& hash Brown bread! White bread!

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H. Mul-ti seeds & Toast- ie! Choc-o-late, Milk & Tea! This break-fast is for me! Brown bread! White bread! Mul-ti seeds & Toast- ie!

L. Mul-ti seeds & Toast- ie! Choc-o-late, Milk & Tea! This break-fast is for me! Brown bread! White bread! Mul-ti seeds & Toast- ie!

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H. *ff* **E** *mf*

Choc-o- late, Milk& Tea! This break-fast is for me! Break-fast Break-fast Eat your Break-fast

L. *ff* *mf*

Choc-o- late, Milk& Tea! This break-fast is for me! Break-fast Break-fast Eat your Break-fast

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H. *f*

Ce - re - al! Corn - flakes! Frost - ed

L. *mf*

Break-fast Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Break-fast Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Break-fast Break-fast Eat your Break-fast

79

H. *mf*

Flakes Rice Kris-pies Break-fast Break-fast Break-fast Break-fast

L. *f*

Break-fast Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Ce - re - al! Corn -

82 *mp*

H. Break-fast Break-fast Break-fast Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Break-fast Break-fast

L. flakes! Frost - ed Flakes Rice Kris-pies

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H. *mp*
Eat your Break fast Eat your Break fast Eat your Break fast

L. *p* *mp*
Eat your Break fast Eat your Break fast Eat your Break fast

Eat your Break fast Eat your Break fast Eat your Break fast Eat your Break fast Eat your Break fast Eat your Break fast

88

H. *mf* *f*
Brown bread! White bread! Mult-i seeds Toast - ie! Choc o-late, Milk or Tea?

L. *mp* *mp sempre*
Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast

Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast

91

H. *mf* *f* *f*
Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea? Jam & But-ter! Cream cheese!

L. *mf* *mp*
Mult - i seeds Toast - ie! Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea? Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea?

Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast Eat your Break-fast

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H. Two fried eggs! Sun-ny side up O - ver & ea - sy To - ma - to, Ba-con & Hash

Jam & But - ter! Cream cheese! Two fried eggs!

L. Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea? Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea? Jam & But - ter!

Brown bread! White bread! Mult - i seeds Toast - ie! Choc-o-late, Milk or Tea?

f *mf* *f* *mf* *f* *f* *mf* *f*

97 *cresc. poco - a - poco*

H. To - ma - to, Ba-con & Hash Ce - re - al! Frost - ed Flakes & Rice Kris-pies

Sun-ny side up O - ver & ea - sy To - ma - to, Ba-con & Hash To - ma - to, Ba-con & Hash

L. Cream cheese! Two fried eggs! Sun-nyside up O - ver & ea - sy

Choc - o-late, Milk or Tea? Jam & But - ter! Cream cheese!

mf *f* *cresc. poco - a - poco* *cresc. poco - a - poco* *cresc. poco - a - poco*

100 *ff*

H. Ce - re - al! Frost - ed Flakes & Rice Kris-pies

Ce - re - al! Frost - ed Flakes & Rice Kris-pies

L. To - ma - to, Ba-con & Hash Ce - re - al!

Two fried eggs! Sun-ny side up O - ver & ea - sy Break - fast! Break - fast!

ff *ff* *ff* *mp*

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H.

f *ff* *sf*

Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast! Break - fast!here for me!

piu mf *cresc. molto* *ff* *sf*

Break - fast!Break - fast! Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast! Break - fast!here for me!

L.

mf *cresc. molto* *ff* *sf*

Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast! Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast! Break - fast!here for me!

cresc. molto *ff* *sf*

Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast! Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast!Break - fast! Break - fast!here for me!