

A Child Is Born

Music: Thad Jones

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Slow Ballad

The musical score is for a SATB choir. It is in the key of A major (indicated by three sharps: F#, C#, G#) and 9/8 time. The tempo is marked 'Slow Ballad'. The score consists of two systems of four staves each, labeled S (Soprano), A (Alto), T (Tenor), and B (Bass). The lyrics are: 'mmh mmh mmh mmh Now out of the night Soft as the dawn In - to the light This litt - le'. The first system covers the first six measures, and the second system covers measures 7 through 12. The music features a simple, melodic line for the vocal parts, with the bass line providing a steady accompaniment. The lyrics are placed below the corresponding vocal staves.