

S. F. Opera - First Act!

“Make your own Magic Flute Song”

Whenever music starts playing in “The Magic Flute,” something magical happens. Papageno’s magic bells enchant Monostatos and his slaves and help get him and Pamina out of trouble.

(play the song and sing along)

“What tinkles so gaily, what jingles so clear, la la la la la la la la la la.
This music’s enchanting to see and to hear, la la la la la la la la la la.
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We may not have a set of magic bells, but we can make a magical song out of just about anything! Let’s take the last two lines and put in some of our own words:

“This _____(noun - person, place or thing)
is _____(adjective - describing word)
to _____(sense) and to _____(sense),
la la la la la la la la la la la la la la.”

For example,

“This APPLE is SHINY to SEE and to TASTE,
la la la la la la la la la la la la la la.”

Once you get the hang of it, you can add many different kinds of words to make the song work. Don’t forget to repeat it twice - and then look for what kind of magic happens!