The Coventry Carol

Lullay, thou little tiny child Sleep well, lully, lullay And smile in dreaming, little one Sleep well, lully, lullay

Oh sisters two, what may we do To preserve on this day This poor youngling for whom we sing Sleep well, lully, lullay Farewell, lully, lullay

Herod the king in his raging Set forth upon this day By his decree, no life spare thee All children young to slay All children young to slay

Then woe is me, poor child, for thee And ever mourn and say For thy parting, neither say nor sing Farewell, lully, lullay Farewell, lully, lullay

And when the stars fill darkened skies In their far venture, stay And smile as dreaming, little one Farewell, lully, lullay Dream now, lully, lullay