

SMS145

They Call It Dancing

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Piano introduction in 2/4 time, key of D major. The music features a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes in both hands, with dynamic markings of *f* and *fz*.

VOICE

Years a - go when I was just a wee lit - tle thing -

Vamp

The vocal line begins with a rest followed by the lyrics. The piano accompaniment features a *Vamp* section with dynamic markings of *p*, *fz*, and *p*.

A man nev - er squeezed - a girl 'till she got the ring -

The vocal line continues with the lyrics. The piano accompaniment includes a *fz* dynamic marking.

They were both en - gaged be - fore the boy took a chance - But

The vocal line concludes with the lyrics. The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern.

now all he has to do is ask her to dance.

CHORUS

They call it dancing you see them cuddled up tight. They're on-ly

dancing so ev-ry-thing is all right. un-til the mid-night

ca-ba-ret clos-es. You can see he and she rub-bing

nos - es She calls him Mis - ter they're on - ly friends it ap - pears
 If it's a ball - room she does - n't mind his em - brace

— And then he'll twist her like they've been mar - ried for years — A man can
 — But in a hall - room she'd slap him right in the face — A man can

squeeze all the shes, with his arms and his knees and they call it
 grab some - one's wife, Have the time of his life and they call it

danc - ing that's all. They call it all.
 danc - ing that's all. all.