

# THE FIRST TIME EVER I SAW YOUR FACE

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Slowly

R. H. Upper

L. H. Lower  
Pedal

The musical score is written for piano in 4/4 time, marked 'Slowly'. It features a right-hand upper part and a left-hand lower part with a pedal line. The key signature has one flat (Bb). The score is divided into four systems, each with a treble and bass staff. Chord symbols are placed above the staves: Gm7, C7, F, Dm, Am, Bb, C, F, Gm, F, Eb. The lyrics are: 'The first time ev - er I saw your face; I thought the sun rose in your eyes and the moon and the stars were the gifts you gave to the dark and the end of the'. The first system includes a 'mp' (mezzo-piano) dynamic marking. The second system has a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand. The third system has a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand. The fourth system has a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand.

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The musical score is written for piano and voice. It features three distinct melodic lines, each with its own set of lyrics. The first line, marked '1.', has lyrics 'skies.' and 'mand my'. The second line, marked '2.', has lyrics 'love.' and 'my love.'. The third line, marked '3.', has lyrics 'The first time', 'ev-er I', 'saw', and 'your face, your face, your face,'. The score includes various musical notations such as treble and bass staves, clefs, time signatures, and dynamic markings. Chord symbols (F, Gm7, C7, Eb) are placed above the piano part. The lyrics are written below the vocal lines, with some words like 'mand' and 'my' appearing to be part of a larger phrase.

2. The first time ever I kissed your mouth,  
 I felt the earth move in my hand,  
 Like the trembling heart of a captive bird  
 That was there at my command, my love,  
 That was there at my command.

3. The first time ever I saw you  
 And felt your heart beat close to mine,  
 I thought our joy would fill the earth  
 And last till the end of time, my love,  
 And last till the end of time, my love.