

The Boys In The Band

Gentle Giant
Octopus (1972)

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Music by Shulman/Shulman/Shulman/Minnear

Standard tuning

Moderate ♩ = 192

Part 1 (0.19)

E-Gt

Musical notation for Part 1 (0.19) of 'The Boys In The Band'. It features a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 3/4 time signature. The notation includes a melodic line with dynamics such as *ff*, *mf*, *f*, and *fff*. Below the staff is a guitar tablature with fret numbers 10, 12, 9, 11, and 8.

Musical notation for the second system of 'The Boys In The Band'. It features a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 3/4 time signature. The notation includes a melodic line with dynamics such as *ff*, *fff*, *f*, and *fff*. Below the staff is a guitar tablature with fret numbers 10, 12, 9, 11, and 8.

Musical notation for the third system of 'The Boys In The Band'. It features a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 3/4 time signature. The notation includes a melodic line with dynamics such as *fff*, *ff*, *fff*, *ff*, *fff*, *ff*, *mf*, *f*, and *fff*. Below the staff is a guitar tablature with fret numbers 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, and 11.

12

fff ff f fff ff f fff f fff f

TAB: 12 10 12 10-12 10 12-12-10-12 10 0 5-7 5 7 0-5-7 5 5

15

fff ff f fff ff fff ff fff ff mf f ff

TAB: 9 8 9 9 7 8 9 9 7 8 9 9 7 8 9 12-12 10 10 12-10-12

20

fff ff fff ff fff ff f fff ff f fff

TAB: 12-9-11 12-10 10-12 12-10 10-12 12-10-12 10-12-10-12 12 10

23

f fff ff f fff ff f fff ff fff ff

TAB: 0 5-7 5 7 0-5-7 5 5 9 8 9 9 7 8 9 9 7 8 9 9

27

fff ff mf f ff fff ff fff ff fff ff f fff

TAB: 7 8 9 | 12-12-10 12 10-12 | 12-9-11 12 10-12 | 12 10 12 12-10-12

31

ff fff f fff f fff ff f fff ff f

TAB: 10 12-12-10-12 12 10 | 0 5-7 5 7 0 5-7 5 5 | 9 8 9 9

34

$\text{♩} = 200$ $\text{♩} = 200$
Part 2 (0.54)

fff ff fff ff fff f P.M. fff

TAB: 7 8 9 9 | 7 8 9 9 | 7 8 9 | 7-7-7-7-7-7-7

38

fff f fff ff fff ff fff ff

TAB: 12-9 12 9 12-9 12 9 12-9 12 9 7 9-7-9 9 7

42

mf f mf ff mf ff

TAB

6	9-9-9-9-9	7	9	6	9-6	11	9	11-9-8	11-9
		9	7	6	9	9	7	7	9
						9			

47

mf ff mf

TAB

7	7	7	0	8	7	8	8	8	7	8	8

51

TAB

				7	9							
				8	7	8	8	7	9	8	6	9

7 9 8 6 9 7 7 0

54

ff mf f ff

TAB

												12	12	10	10	7		
																	12	10

5 7 7 0 5 7 7 0 5 7 7 0

♩ = 194 ♩ = 194
Part 1 (1.12)

58

fff ff *fff ff fff ff* *fff ff fff f fff* *ff fff f fff*

TAB: 12-9-11 | 12-10-10-12 | 12-10-10-12 | 12-10-12 | 10-12-12-10-12 | 12-10

61

f fff ff f *fff ff f fff* *ff fff ff*

TAB: 0-5-7-5 | 0-5-7-5-5 | 9-8-9-9 | 7-8-9-9 | 7-8-9-9

65

fff *ff mf f ff* *fff ff* *fff ff fff ff* *fff ff f fff*

TAB: 7-8-9 | 12-12-10-10-7 | 12-9-11 | 12-10-10-12 | 12-10-12 | 12-10-12

69

fff fff *f fff* *f fff ff f* *fff ff f*

TAB: 10-12-12-10-12 | 12-10 | 0-5-7-5 | 0-5-7-5-5 | 9-8-9-9

72

fff ff fff ff fff ff mf f ff fff ff fff ff fff ff

TAB: 7-8-9-9 | 7-8-9-9 | 7-8-9 | 12-12-10-12-10-7 | 12-9-11-12-10-12

77

fff ff fff f fff ff fff f fff f fff ff f

TAB: 12-10-12-12-10-12 | 10-12-12-10-12-12-10 | 0-5-7-5-7-0-5-7-5-5

♩ = 92192
Part 3 (1.38)

80

fff ff f fff ff fff ff fff

TAB: 9-8-9-9 | 7-8-9-9 | 7-8-9-9 | 7-8-9 | 0-0-7-7

85

TAB: 5-5-7-7-0 | 5-5-7 | 3-3-5 | 0-0-7-7-7 | 5-5-7-7-0

♩ = 182 ♩ = 182
Part 4 (1.47)

90

f

TAB
 5 5 7 3 3 5 0 7 7 5 5 0 3 7 7

94

fff

TAB
 (7) 10 8 7 9 7 10 (10) 12 10 12 12 9 9 5 4 2
 (9) 7 10 9 7 10 8 (8) 9 7 9 10 7 7 3 2 0

Part 3b (1.59)

101

TAB
 7 9 5 9 7 5 2 0 0 7 7 5 5 7 7 0 5 5 7 3 3 5

106

TAB
 0 0 7 7 5 5 7 7 0 5 5 7 3 3 5

Part 3c (2.10)

110

T
A
B

2 2 4 4 4 | 2 2 4 4 2 | 4 4 6 | 2 2 4

114

T
A
B

2 2 4 4 4 | 2 2 4 4 2 | 4 4 6 | 2 2 4

Part 2

118

T
A
B

2 2 4 4 4 | 2 2 4 2 3 | 4

f
P.M.-----|

ff

121

T
A
B

7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 | 4 2 4 2 | 4 2 0 0

fff *ff* *fff*
P.M.-----|

Part 3b

Part 4 (2.30)

124

f

T					7	7	(7) - 10	8 - 7	9 - 7
A					9	9	(9) - 12	10 - 9	7 - 10
B	0	0	7	7	5	5	7	7 - 0	10 - 8

♩ = 185

129

fff

T		12	10	12	12 - 9	9	5	4	2	9	7	9	7	5	2
A	(10)	9	7	9	10 - 7	7	3	2	0	7	5	7	5	3	0
B	(8)														

♩ = 185
Part 3b

135

T															
A															
B	0	0	7	7	5	5	7	7 - 0	7	5	2	5	3	0	0

139

T															
A															
B	5	5	7	7 - 0	7	5	2	5	3	0	0	0	7	7	7

143

TAB

7 5 2 5 3 0 | 0 0 7 7 | 5 5 7 7 0 | 7 5 2 5 3 0

147

TAB

0 0 7 7 | 5 5 7 7 0 | 7 5 2 5 3 0 | 0 0 7 7

151

TAB

5 5 7 7 0 | 7 5 2 5 3 0 | 0 0 7 7 | 5 5 7 7 0

155

TAB

7 5 2 5 3 0 | 0 0 7 7 | 5 5 7 7 0 | 7 5 2 5 3 0

159

TAB

0 0 7 7 | 5 5 7 7 0 | 7 5 2 5 3 0 | 0 0 7 7

163

TAB 5 5 7 7-0 7 5-2 5-3-0 2 2 4 4 4 2 2 4 2-3

Part 2 (3.25)

167

P.M.-----|

f fff ff

TAB 4 4-4-4-4-4-4-4 4 4-4-4-4-4-4-4 12-9 12 9 12-9 12

171

fff ff fff ff fff f fff ff

TAB 9 12-9 12 9-12-9 11 9-11 9-9-9-9-9 9 11-9 7 6 9-6 9

176

fff ff fff ff fff

TAB 9 7 7 9 9 11 9 11-9-8 11-9 7 7 7 0 8 7 8 8

180

TAB 8 7 8 8 8 7 8 8 8 7 8 8 11 9

183

TAB

11-9-8 11-9 | 7 7 0 | 5 7 7 0 | 5 7 7 0

Part 1 (3.45)

187

ff mf f ff fff ff fff ff fff ff f fff

TAB

5 7 7 0 | 12-12 10 10 10-12 | 12-9-11 12 10 10-12 | 12 10 10 12 12 10 12

191

ff fff f fff f fff ff f fff ff f

TAB

10 12-12-10-12 12 10 | 0 5-7 5 7 0 5-7 5 5 | 9 8 9 9

194

fff ff fff ff fff ff mf f ff fff ff fff ff fff ff

TAB

7 8 9 9 | 7 8 9 9 | 7 8 9 | 12-12 10 10 10-12 | 12-9-11 12 10 10-12

199

fff ff fff f fff ff fff f fff f fff ff f

TAB

12 10 10 12 12-10-12 | 10 12-12-10-12 12 10 | 0 5-7 5 7 0 5-7 5 5

202

fff ff f fff ff fff ff fff ff mf f ff

TAB: 9-8-9-9 | 7-8-9-9 | 7-8-9-9 | 7-8-9 | 12-12-10 | 12-10-12

207

fff ff fff ff fff ff fff ff f fff ff fff f fff

TAB: 12-9-11 | 12-10-10-12 | 12-10-10-12 | 12-10-12 | 10-12-12-10-12 | 12-10

210

f fff ff f fff ff f fff ff fff ff

TAB: 0-5-7-5-7 | 0-5-7-5-5 | 9-8-9-9 | 7-8-9-9 | 7-8-9-9

Fade (4.11)

214

fff ff mf f ff fff ff fff ff fff ff f fff

TAB: 7-8-9 | 12-12-10 | 12-10-12 | 12-9-11 | 12-10-10-12 | 12-10-12 | 12-10-12 | 12-10-12

218

ff fff f fff f fff ff f fff ff f

TAB: 10-12-12-10-12 | 12-10 | 0-5-7-5-7 | 0-5-7-5-5 | 9-8-9-9

221

fff ff fff ff fff ff mf f ff fff ff fff ff fff ff

TAB 7 8 9 9 7 8 9 9 7 8 9 12-12 10 12 10 10-12 12-9-11 12 10 10-12

226

fff ff fff f fff ff fff f fff f fff ff f

TAB 12 10 12 12-10-12 10 12-12-10-12 12 10 0 5-7 5 7 0-5-7 5 5

229

fff ff f fff ff fff fff

TAB 9 8 9 9 7 8 9 9 7 8 9 9 7 8 9