

for 16 singers
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The singers are divided into 2 groups of 8.

The 2 groups should be divided so that they are as equal in range as possible to each other.

Each singer is numbered 1 through 8 within their group, randomly.

Each singer chooses a comfortable 1-octave range in which to sing the piece.

The piece consists of pairs of sets of 8 pitches each.

In each phrase,

Group 1 sings the pitches from the first set.

Group 2 sings the pitches from the second set.

Within each group,

Singer #1 sings the first pitch from their set (in the range they have chosen).

Singer #2 sings the second pitch from their set (in the range they have chosen).

etc.

The order of events in performance:

- 1) Together, each singer in group one sings their pitch from the first set.
- 2) After 5 seconds, group two joins them with their pitch from the second set.
- 3) After 7 more seconds, group 1 finishes their pitches.
- 4) After 5 more seconds, group 2 finishes their pitches.
- 5) After 5 more seconds, move to the next pair of pitch sets.

The dynamic is soft.

Hum or sing on any gentle vowel, but everyone on the same sound.

A B E D D# C A# G#
C C# A D D# F G E

B A C# E C A# D# F#
C A E F# G# F B G

D# D G# A B A# C F#
F# G# A# B D E A D#

C A# F G E D C# G#
A E B C D F# D# G

C# B A# D# F# G# G F
B D# F# C# A G# C D

F D C D# G F# A# B
A# D# G C F C# B F#

C# D# E G# F D F# B
G# A C# C A# G F# D

D# A G# A# F# G E F
F# C G G# A E A# D#

E G F G# C# D# D A
D# G# F G A# B D C

D# F A# A E G# C# F#
B G G# C A D F# F

F D# C# A F# G B C
F B D C# D# F# A G

D# G D G# A B E C
G F C E D D# F# A

D# B A# E D C G F#
C# G# F A# A G D# C

F# D# C# G A# E G# A
G# A C C# G D F# F

G# E G C D A A# F
G# E A# D# A G C# B

C E D F# D# F G A#
A C A# D C# D# F G

B D F F# D# C# G E
C F# D# F E A# B A

A D# F C B A# C# G
E F G# G C D D# B

E B C A C# F D# G#
G# D F B D# F# C# A#

D# E D F B A F# C#
G B A# E G# C F A

G A G# C# D# E C D
E A C D G# C# B F

G# E B A# C C# D# G
A# C D F E D# F# B

G F A# G# B E C# D
C A D F# A# E D# C#

D D# G A F# E B G#
F# G# A C G A# B F

D D# B G G# A A# F
D# G# A C# A# C F# E

D# C G# C# B D A# G
B G A# G# F A D C#

D# C E G B A# A G#
A G B D C# F A# C

C G B F# G# D# D A
F# F D A# G# C C# A

A# F D# G# F# E G C
C# B G# E C A G D

F# C# D# E G# A# D G
E C A# B D C# G# D#