

## Noel Nouvelet!



1. Sing we now of Christmas, Noel sing we here.  
Sing our grateful praises to the babe so dear.

### Chorus

Sing we Noel! The King is born, Noel!  
Sing we now of Christmas. Sing we here, Noel!

2. From the Eastern kingdoms come the wise men far.  
Bearing ancient treasure, following yonder star.

### Chorus

3. From the distant mountains, hear the trumpet sound.  
With angelic blessings on the silent town.

### Chorus

4. Come let us surround Him on this magic night.  
Gather here around Him, wondrous babe of light.

### Chorus

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This was originally a New Year's carol, as opposed to a Christmas carol, with versions dating to the early 1500s. Numerous versions have been found, largely inconsistent.

English translations appeared as early as the 17th and 18th centuries; translations are still being made as recently as 1998. This version is "Sing We Now of Christmas", traditional English, translator unknown, circa 17th or 18th Century.

This is the version used by The Kingston Trio on their **Last Month of the Year** album.

It is included in **The New Oxford Book of Carols** (#184).