

Vocal range:  
D4 - A4

# La marche de minuit (Midnight March)

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Composer unknown  
Music adapted and arranged  
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*Students start bent over and "asleep".*

*Stand straight as the cabasa "winds them up"*

*Add triangle "chiming" with each number*

cabasa

Un, deux, trois, quatre, cinq, six,  
One, two, three, four, five, six,

8

*Triangle stops*

sept, huit, neuf, dix, onze, douze, min - uit min - uit.  
seven, eight, nine, ten, e-leven, twelve. Mid - night, mid - night.

13

À min - uit les pe - tits sol - dats se ré - veillent et march - ent  
It is mid - night, clocks are call - ing, toys are wak - ing up to

16

dans la nuit. Re - gar - dez les pe - tits sol - dats,  
have some fun. Look at all the wood - en sol - diers,

19

*Move hands like a stiff wooden soldier, corresponding movements with words*

ils marchent a - vec beau - coup de bruit. Gauche, droite,  
March - ing through the toy shop one by one. Left, right,

22

gauche, droite, gauche, droite, gauche, droite.  
left, right, left, right, left, right.

25 *Instrumental melody with students marching in their spots*

29

33 *Stand still and sing*

À min - uit les pe - tits sol - dats se ré - veillent et march - ent  
It is mid - night, clocks are call - ing, toys are wak - ing up to

36

dans la nuit. Re - gar - dez les pe - tits sol - dats,  
have some fun. Look at all the wood - en sol - diers,

39

ils marchent a - vec beau - coup de bruit. Douze, onze,  
March - ing through the toy shop one by one. Twelve, eleven,

42

dix, neuf, huit, sept, six, cinq, quatre, trois,  
ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three,

46

deux, un. Fi - ni. Fi - ni.  
two, one. All done. All done.

*Students slump over  
and go back to sleep*

(Use a woodblock or similar instrument to make the sound of the soldiers being turned "off" as they go back to sleep)

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$\text{♩} = 60$

*Students start bent over and "asleep".  
Stand straight as the cabasa "winds them up"*

*Add a triangle "chiming" with each number*

*Cabasa*

Un, deux, trois, quatre,  
One, two, three, four,

7

*Triangle stops*

cinq, six, sept, huit, neuf, dix, onze, douze. Min - uit, min - uit.  
five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve. Mid - night, mid - night.

13

À min - uit les pe - tits sol - dats se ré - veillent et march - ent dans la nuit.  
It is mid - night, clocks are call - ing, toys are wak - ing up to have some fun.

17

Re - gar - dez les pe - tits sol - dats, ils marchent a - vec beau - coup de bruit.  
 Look at all the wood - en sol - diers, March - ing through the toy shop one by one.

21

*Move hands like a stiff wooden soldier, corresponding movements with words*

Gauche, droite, gauche, droite, gauche, droite, gauche, droite.  
 Left, right, left, right, left, right, left, right.

25

*Instrumental melody with students marching in their spots*

29

33

*Students stand still and sing*

À min - uit les pe - tits sol - dats se ré - veillent et march - ent dans la nuit.  
It is mid - night, clocks are call - ing, toys are wak - ing up to have some fun.

37

Re - gar - dez les pe - tits sol - dats, ils marchent a - vec beau - coup de bruit.  
Look at all the wood - en sol - diers, March - ing through the toy shop one by one.

41

Douze, onze, dix, neuf, huit, sept, six, cinq,  
Twelve, eleven, ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five,

45

*Students slump over and go back to sleep*

quatre, trois, deux, un. Fi - ni. Fi - ni.  
four, three, two, one. All done. All done.

*(Use a wood block or similar instrument to make the sound of the soldiers being turned "off" as they go back to sleep)*

# La marche de minuit / Midnight March

Un, deux, trois, quatre, cinq, six, sept, huit, neuf, dix, onze, douze.  
Minuit, minuit.

À minuit les petits soldats  
Se réveillent et marchent dans la nuit.  
Regardez les petits soldats,  
Ils marchent avec beaucoup de bruit.  
Gauche, droite, gauche, droite, gauche, droite gauche, droite.

## *Instrumental*

À minuit les petits soldats  
Se réveillent et marchent dans la nuit.  
Regardez les petits soldats,  
Ils marchent avec beaucoup de bruit.

Douze, onze, dix, neuf, huit, sept, six, cinq, quatre, trois, deux, un.  
Finis. Finis.

One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve.  
Midnight, midnight.

It is midnight, clocks are calling,  
Toys are waking up to have some fun.  
Look at all the wooden soldiers,  
Marching through the toy shop one by one.  
Left, right, left, right, left, right, left, right.

## *Instrumental*

It is midnight, clocks are calling,  
Toys are waking up to have some fun.  
Look at all the wooden soldiers,  
Marching through the toy shop one by one.

Twelve, eleven, ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three, two, one.  
All done. All done.

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