#### KING TRITON

That's not a bad idea—

#### **SEBASTIAN**

I'd say it's a right good one.

#### KING TRITON

And <u>you</u> are just the crab to do it!

**SEBASTIAN** 

What?!?

### KING TRITON

You heard me! From now on, Ariel is <u>your</u> responsibility!

(KING TRITON exits emphatically.)

#### **SEBASTIAN**

(follows KING TRITON, pleading)

Mine? But Your Majesty, she's a clever mermaid! I'm just a crustacean! Surely you ought to pick someone higher on the evolutionary ladder...

### SCENE SIX: ARIEL'S GROTTO

### (#12 – PART OF YOUR WORLD. The SEA CHORUS

reconfigures to form Ariel's grotto, filled with "human treasures." ARIEL, distraught after her fight with Dad, sits among her treasures holding her newly acquired fork. FLOUNDER floats nearby.)

# **Part of Your World**

**ARIEL:** If only I could make my father understand. I just don't see how a world that makes such wonderful things could be so bad.





Look at this stuff.

Is - n't it neat?









(FLOTSAM and JETSAM, who have been spying, enter unseen. They whisper to each other:)

#### **FLOTSAM**

"Sssick of ssswimin'..."?

**JETSAM** 

"Out of the sssea..."?

## FLOTSAM, JETSAM

Hmmm...

(As SEBASTIAN enters, FLOTSAM and JETSAM disappear into the shadows.)

#### **SEBASTIAN**

Tell me, child. You got trouble in da mind?

**ARIEL** 

Sebastian!

**SEBASTIAN** 

What is all this?

#### ARIEL

Um... just a few knick-knacks I've collected, that's all.

#### **SEBASTIAN**

You ought to be ashamed of yourself! If your poor father knew about this place, he'd—

#### ARIEL

You're not gonna tell him, are you? Oh, please, Sebastian! He'd never understand!

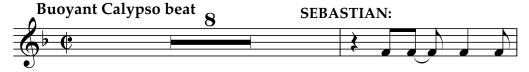
#### **SEBASTIAN**

Ariel, down <u>here</u> is your home! The human world – it's a mess.

(#13 – UNDER THE SEA.)

# **Under the Sea**

**SEBASTIAN:** Life under the sea is better than anything they got up there...



The sea - weed is

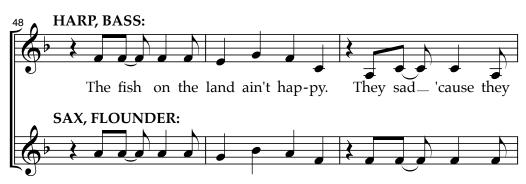


You dream a - bout go - ing up there,

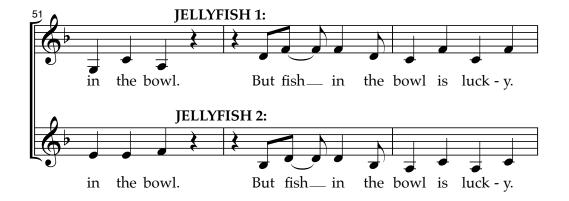




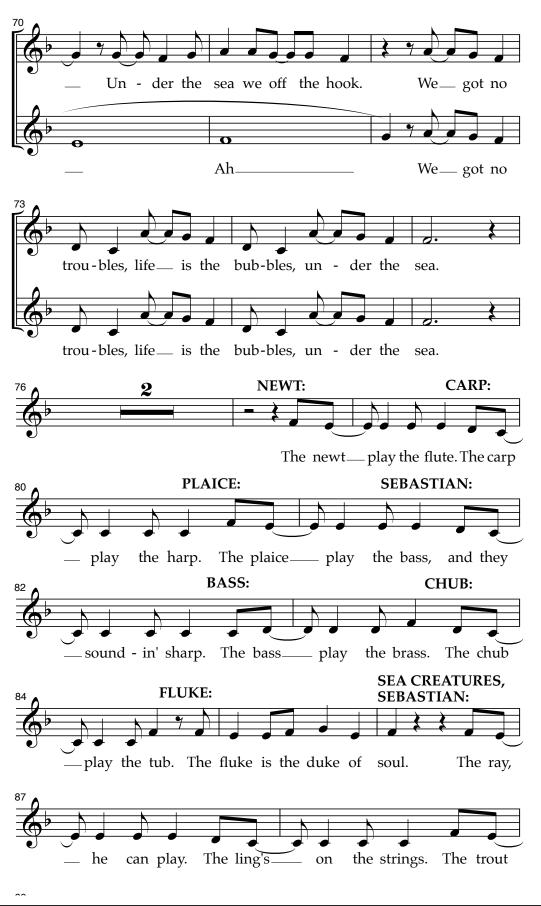




The fish on the land ain't hap-py. They sad\_ 'cause they



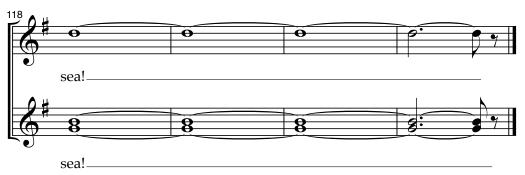












(The SEA CREATURES exit with #14 - UNDER THE SEA – PLAYOFF.)

### **SEBASTIAN**

See child, that's what I'm talking about! (looks around to discover ARIEL is missing)

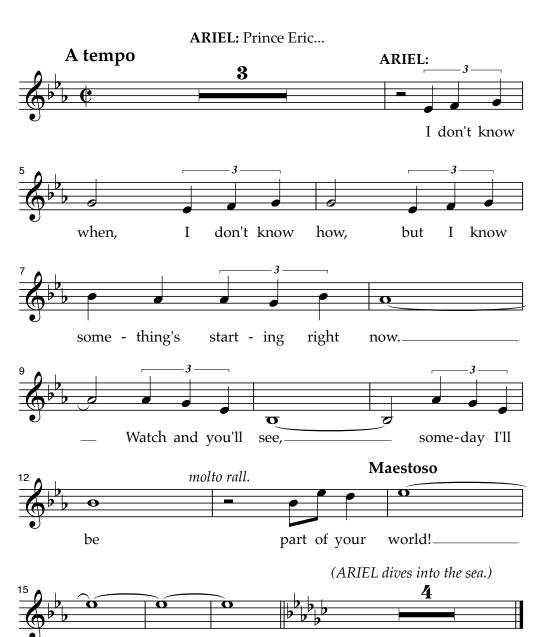
Ariel! Hello?

(exiting)

Oh, somebody's gotta nail that girl's fins to the floor!

(#15 - PRINCE ERIC'S SHIP.)

# **Part of Your World** (Reprise 2)



#### ARIEL

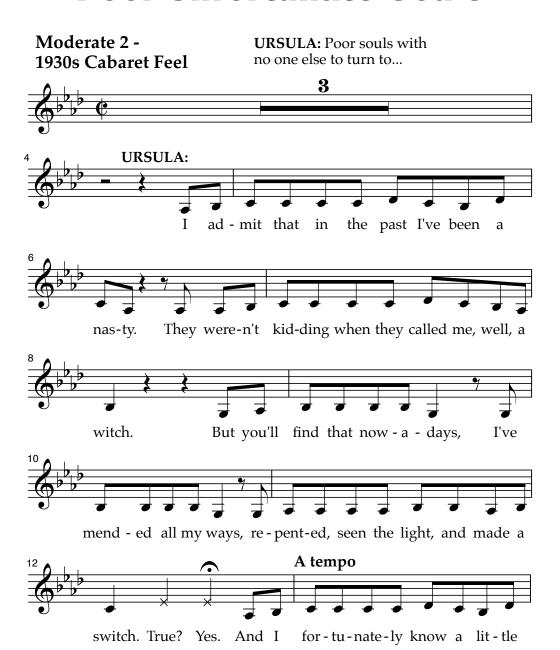
Can you do that?

#### **URSULA**

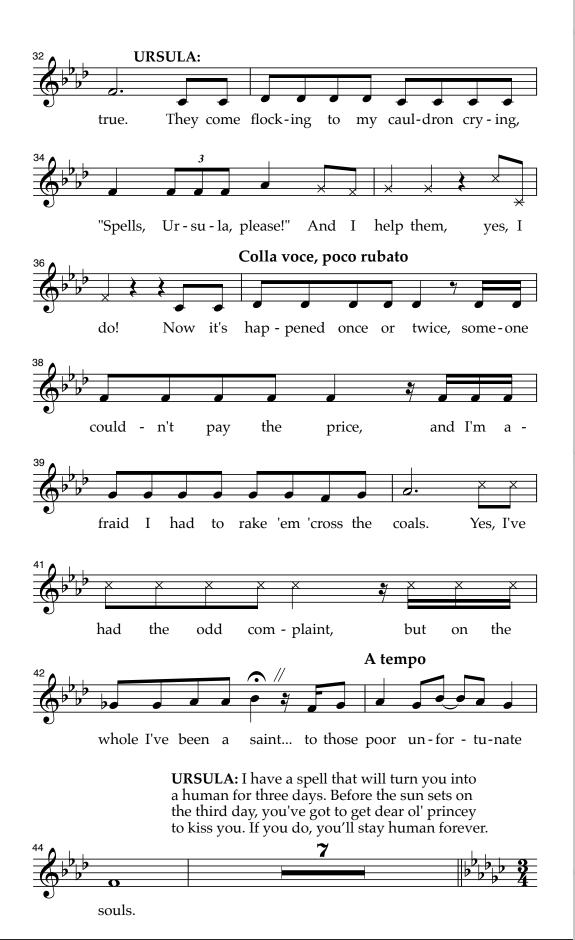
My dear, sweet child – it's what I live for: to help unfortunate merfolk like yourself.

(#24 – POOR UNFORTUNATE SOULS.)

# **Poor Unfortunate Souls**







**ARIEL:** And if I don't?

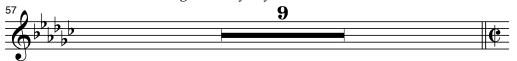
**URSULA:** You will turn back into a mermaid and your soul will be mine forever! (*ARIEL gasps.*) Life's full of tough choices, isn't it?

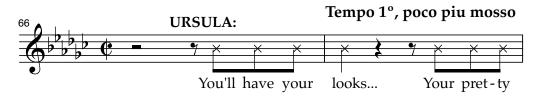


(URSULA): Of course, there is one more thing... my fee.

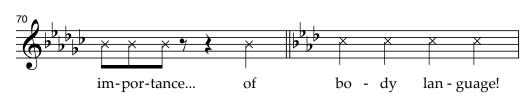
**ARIEL:** But I don't have any—

**URSULA:** I'm not asking for much. Only... your voice. **ARIEL:** But if I give away my voice, how can I ever—





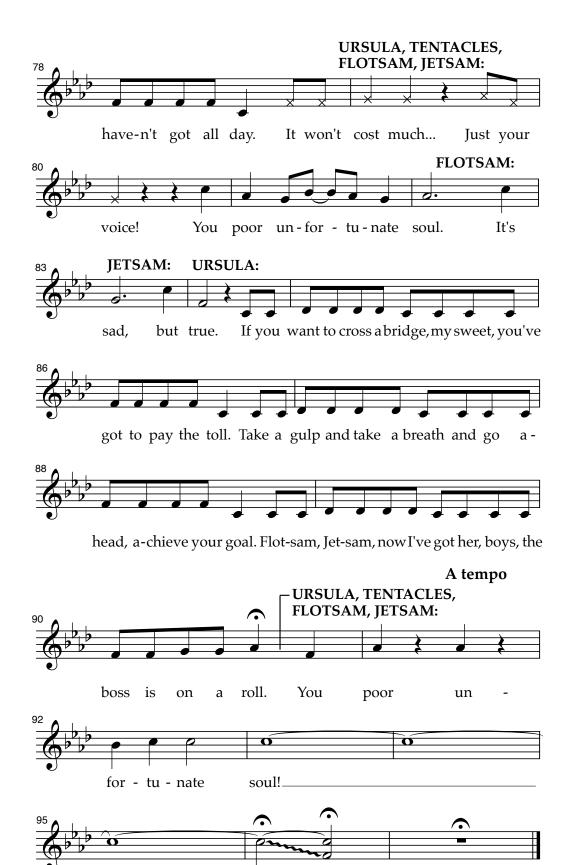






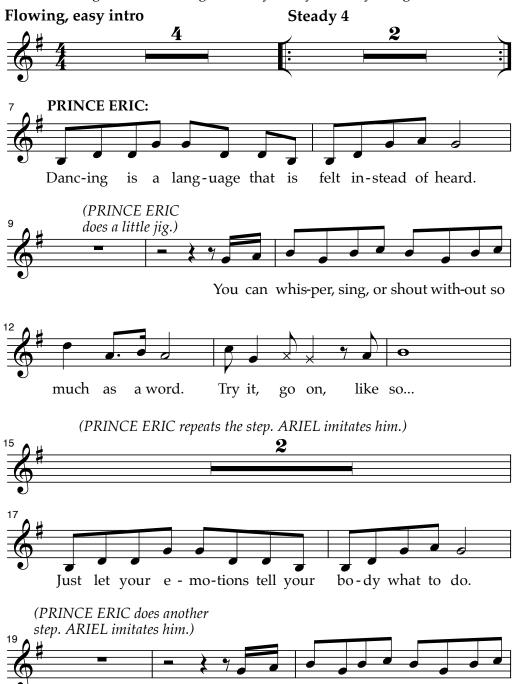


head! Make your choice! I'm a ver-y bus-y wom-an and I



# **One Step Closer**

**(PRINCE ERIC):** You're nimble on your feet, aren't you? Well, dancing beats small talk any day. It's the way your legs smile... or laugh. It lets you say so many things.

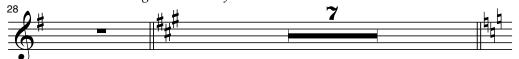


See how much a sin-gle ges-ture can re-





(PRINCE ERIC patiently teaches ARIEL a few more dance steps. Shes's a quick study. They become in tune with each other, moving as one, poetry in motion... Suddenly, wafting through the night breeze are the magical strains of Ariel's VOICE.)



(PRINCE ERIC stops abruptly.)

**PRINCE ERIC:** Did you hear something?

(ARIEL's eyes open wide but she shakes her head "no." PRINCE ERIC becomes distracted.)



(PRINCE ERIC): Forgive me – there's this voice – it's been haunting me...



(PRINCE ERIC): Anyway, I (PRINCE ERIC bows, and ARIEL should let youget some sleep. *mimics him. PRINCE ERIC exits hastily.*) Good night.



(ARIEL, crestfallen, watches him depart. SEBASTIAN emerges from hiding.)