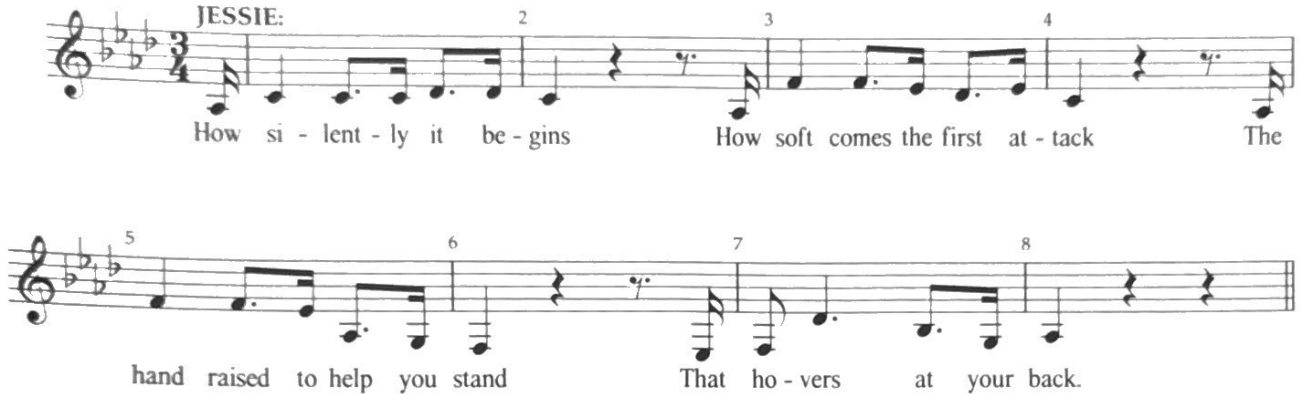


**VOCAL****CALENDAR GIRLS****WHAT AGE EXPECTS****17**

**CUE: JESSIE:** "An expert at being old."  
**ANNIE:** "Jess I really was just / meaning -"  
**JESSIE:** "And the thing is girls -" **[MUSIC]**

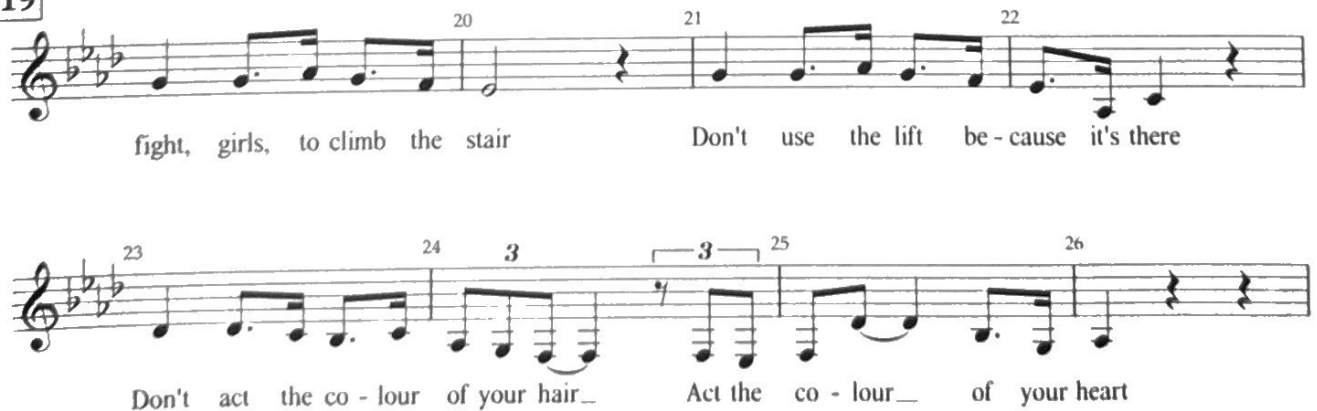
Music & Lyrics by  
**GARY BARLOW & TIM FIRTH**

**Colla Voce****JESSIE:**


How si - lent - ly it be - gins How soft comes the first at - tack The  
 hand raised to help you stand That ho - vers at your back.

**9****School Waltz** ♩ = 92


Next, the girl who does your hair Talks like two of you are there  
 "Shall we" this and "Shall we" that Slow - ly clangs the bell of  
 doom An old girl's in the room. So

**19**


fight, girls, to climb the stair Don't use the lift be - cause it's there  
 Don't act the co - lour of your hair\_ Act the co - lour\_ of your heart

## VOCAL

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## 17 - What Age Expects

Don't make the great mis-take  
be-liev-ing the num-bers on your cake

ANNIE:  
"Mrs Raistrick, what I-"

Cut down the fools who bid you do— What age— ex-pects of you.

36  
Soon, faced with hard-er deeds, some help-ful bug-ger in-ter-cedes And

grad-u-al-ly you let them do things that once were asked of you But

44  
God help the ag-ed learn Time on-ly leaves a fric-tion burn

Age is a flesh wound on the skin— not the heart, girls, not the heart. So

52  
don't make the great mis-take be-liev-ing the num-bers on your cake

Cut down the fools who bid you do— What age ex-pects. So

59  
wake and be-ware the day When life starts ar-riv-ing on a tray—

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17 - What Age Expects

**Poco piu mosso**

63 64 65 66

Face Fa - ther Time and fol-low through!... Fight, fight, fight! Take up his scythe... And

**Molto rit.**

67 68 69 70 71

cut down the fools who bid you do... What age ex-pects of you.