

Accidentals

Flats or sharps that are written in the music but are *not* in the key signature are called **accidentals**. A natural is also an accidental.



2. Deep River

- Circle the accidental in *measure 6*. 

Slowly, expressively (♩ = 56-63)

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Musical notation for measures 1-2. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 4/4 time. *mf* Deep. Bass clef accompaniment with chords and fingerings (1, 3, 5). Measure 2 includes lyrics "riv - er, my" and a dynamic marking *f*.

Musical notation for measures 3-4. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 4/4 time. Measure 3 includes lyrics "home is" and a dynamic marking *f*. Measure 4 includes lyrics "Jor - dan. Oh," and a dynamic marking *f*. Fingerings and articulation marks like "octave" and "cross (2) over" are present.

Musical notation for measures 5-6. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 4/4 time. Measure 5 includes lyrics "deep" and a dynamic marking *p*. Measure 6 includes lyrics "riv - er, Lord, I" and a dynamic marking *mf*. A circled number 4 is above the treble clef staff in measure 6.

Musical notation for measures 7-8. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 4/4 time. Measure 7 includes lyrics "want to cross o - ver in - to" and a dynamic marking *p*. Measure 8 includes lyrics "camp - ground." and a dynamic marking *p*. A *rit.* marking is above the treble clef staff in measure 8.

Deep River has been called “perhaps the best known and best-loved spiritual.” The word “campground” has various meanings: camp meetings to gather and worship, freedom in this life, and Heaven in the afterlife.