NOW IS THE MONTH OF MAYING

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1. Now is the month of maying,
   when merry lads are playing,
   fa, la, ...
   Each with his bonny lass
   upon the greeny grass.
   Fa, la, ...

2. The Spring, clad all in gladness,
   doth laugh at Winter’s sadness
   fa, la, ...
   And to the bagpipe’s sound
   the nymphs tread out their ground.
   Fa, la, ...

3. Fie then! why sit we musing,
   youth’s sweet delight refusing?
   fa, la, ...
   Say, dainty nymphs, and speak,
   shall we play barley-break?
   Fa, la ...