

# When younglings first on Cupid fix their sight

## The first part

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Tenor (part 2 of 3)

*Songs of sundrie natures* (London, 1589)

When young - lings first on Cu - pid fix their sight, their sight, and  
see him na - ked, blind - fold and a boy, and a boy, though bow and shafts and fi - er-brand be -  
his might, be his might, yet ween they he can work them none an - noy, yet ween they  
he can work them none an - noy, yet ween they he can work them none an - noy.  
And there - fore with his pur - ple wings they play, for glo - ri - ous see - meth love though light -  
as fea - ther, and when they have done, they ween to scape a - way, for blind men say they,  
say - they, for *blind men say they*, shoot they know - not whi - ther, shoot they know not  
whi - ther, shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know not whi - ther, shoot they know - not whi - ther.