

# Pastime with good company

Henry 8th

1

soprano

alto add

tenor

bass

drums

5

9

13

Pastime with good company  
 I love and shall until I die;  
 Grudge who will, but none deny  
 So God be pleased thus live will I  
 For my pastance  
 Hunt, sing, and dance  
 My heart is set:  
 All goodly sport  
 For my comfort  
 Who shall me let?

Youth must have some dalliance  
 Of good or ill some pastance;  
 Company methinks then best  
 All thoughts and fancies to digest:  
 For idleness  
 Is chief mistress  
 Of vices all  
 Then who can say  
 But mirth and play  
 Is best of all?

Company with honesty  
 Is virtue vices to flee:  
 Company is good and ill  
 But every man hath his free will  
 The best ensue  
 The worst eschew  
 My mind shall be:  
 Virtue to use  
 Vice to refuse  
 Thus shall I use me