



It Don't Mean A Thing (If It Ain't Got That Swing)

Duke Ellington

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Lively

Capo 3

The musical score is written for piano and voice. The piano part consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a 3/4 time signature and a key signature of one flat (Bb). The tempo is marked 'Lively'. The score includes guitar chords indicated by letters (D7#5, Gm, Eb7, D7, C7/G, C7b5/Gb, F11, Eb6, Em7b5) and diagrams showing fingerings. The vocal melody is written on a single staff with lyrics. The piano accompaniment includes dynamic markings such as *f* (forte) and *p* (piano). The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines, with repeat signs and first/second endings indicated. A large, faint watermark 'O' is visible across the center of the page.

Chords and Diagrams:

- D7#5:** Diagram showing a D7 chord with a sharp fifth (F#).
- Gm:** Diagram showing a G minor chord.
- Eb7:** Diagram showing an E-flat 7 chord.
- D7:** Diagram showing a D7 chord.
- C7/G:** Diagram showing a C7 chord with G in the bass.
- C7b5/Gb:** Diagram showing a C7b5 chord with G-flat in the bass.
- F11:** Diagram showing an F11 chord.
- Eb6:** Diagram showing an E-flat 6 chord.
- Em7b5:** Diagram showing an E minor 7b5 chord.

Vocal Lyrics:

What good is mel - o - dy, — what good is mus - ic, —

if it ain't pos - sess - in' some - thing sweet, —