“It’s Raining Cats and Dogs” is a perfect song to brighten up the prospect of soggy spring weather. It very much suits the young solo singer or a junior elementary school choir.

The melody is simple, with a good vocal range for young singers and the lyrics include some repeated phrases that assist with memorization. Rubato/molto rit. sections create a feeling of drama and add to the challenge of this piece. Let your students settle into the line and try to keep them from rushing it. What a wonderful teaching opportunity as you coach your students through the process of “feeling” the music and presenting the lyrics as a story for their audience.

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molto rit.  a tempo

box and try to pick up lots and lots.  sigh* I hope that I can

*aChoose your own dramatization options
loving sigh, tired sigh, meow, woof, etc.

rit.  a tempo

keep them all, those rainy cats and dogs that fall.

molto rit.

molto rit.

molto rit.

molto rit.
It’s raining cats and dogs.
It’s raining cats and dogs.
I’ll go outside with a great big box
And try to pick up lots and lots.
I hope that I can keep them all,
Those rainy cats and dogs that fall.

Meow, meow, meow, meow, meow, meow.
Woof, woof, woof, woof, woof, woof.
I’ll go outside with a great big box
And try to pick up lots and lots.
I hope that I can keep them all,
Those rainy cats and dogs that fall.

I love the fur and claws.
I love the tails and paws.
I’ll go outside with a great big box
And try to pick up lots and lots.
I hope that I can keep them all,
Those rainy cats and dogs that fall.

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