MTO 11.3 Examples: Burns, Feeling the Style

(Note: audio, video, and other interactive examples are only available online)
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Example 1a. Verse 1 and Refrain of “‘Tain’t Nobody’s Biz-ness If I Do”
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Example 1b. Vocal transcription: Bessie Smith’s Verse 1 and Refrain of “‘Tain’t Nobody’s Biz-ness If I Do,” recorded 1923 (Columbia)

Example 1c. Vocal transcription: Billie Holiday’s Verse 1 and Refrain of “‘Tain’t Nobody’s Biz-ness If I Do,” recorded 1949 (Decca)

Example 2b. Vocal transcription: Louis Armstrong’s Refrain 1 of “I Gotta Right to Sing the Blues,” recorded 1933 (RCA Victor)

Example 2c. Vocal transcription: Billie Holiday’s Refrain 1 of “I Gotta Right to Sing the Blues,” recorded 1939 (Commodore)