

Stonesong - Soprano

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gradually speeding up towards the middle, and slowing down again towards the end

(16 bars rest)

The musical score is written for a soprano voice in 4/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of eight staves of music. The first staff begins with a 16-bar rest, followed by a melodic line with lyrics: 'sun-rise, sun-rise, sun-rise, sun-rise, sun-rise, sun-rise, sun - rise.' This line is repeated twice (x2). The second staff starts at measure 10 and has lyrics: 'wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, and stone.' This line is repeated four times (x4). The third staff starts at measure 18 and has lyrics: 'green and gold, new and old, green and gold, green and gold.' This line is repeated four times (x4). The fourth staff starts at measure 26 with a 32-bar rest, followed by lyrics: 'I was here ma-ny years a-go, I was here ma-ny years a-go, I was here ma-ny years a - go,'. This line is repeated four times (x4). The fifth staff starts at measure 35 with a 16-bar rest and a tempo marking of quarter note = 102. It has lyrics: 'em - ber glow, ebb and flow, ebb and flow, em - ber glow,'. This line is repeated six times (x6). The sixth staff starts at measure 44 and has lyrics: 'wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, and stone.' This line is repeated four times (x4). The seventh staff starts at measure 52 and has lyrics: 'moon-rise, moon rise,___ moon rise,___ moon rise,___ moon - rise, moon - rise, moon - rise.' This line is repeated twice (x2).

sun-rise, sun-rise, sun-rise, sun-rise, sun-rise, sun-rise, sun - rise. x2

10
wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, and stone. x4

18
green and gold, new and old, green and gold, green and gold, x4

26
(32 bars rest) I was here ma-ny years a-go, I was here ma-ny years a-go, I was here ma-ny years a - go, x4

35
(16 bars rest) ♩ = 102
em - ber glow, ebb and flow, ebb and flow, em - ber glow, x6

44
wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, wa-ter and stone._ wa-ter, and stone. x4

52
moon-rise, moon rise,___ moon rise,___ moon rise,___ moon - rise, moon - rise, moon - rise. x2