



Blow, gentle breeze

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Blow, blow, thou gentle breeze,
Over the flow'ry lea!
Blow, soft and low,
Whisp'ring melody!

All the blossoms wait thy kiss,
Ere their beauties they unfold;
Surely thou wilt grant them this?
Dearer than a gift of gold!

Blow, blow, thou gentle breeze,
Over the meadows blow,
Whispering 'mid the trembling trees
Music sweet and low!

Blow, blow, thou gentle breeze,
Over the mountain crest!
Blow, soft and low,
Fair from the golden west!

From the sunny lands afar,
Where the scented myrtles grow,
And the groves of citron are,
Gentle breeze, O softly blow!

Blow, blow, thou gentle breeze,
Over the meadows blow,
Whispering 'mid the trembling trees
Music sweet and low!

Edward Oxenford

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Andante

S
A
T
B

Blow, _____ blow, _____
Blow, _____ thou
Blow, blow, thou gen - tle breeze, blow, _____ blow, _____
Blow, blow, thou

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S
A
T
B

— thou gen - tle breeze, O - ver the flow - 'ry lea! _____
gen - tle breeze, O - ver the flow - 'ry lea! _____ Blow, _____ blow,
— thou gen - tle breeze, O - ver the flow - 'ry lea! _____ Blow, _____ blow, _____
gen - tle breeze, O - ver the flow - 'ry lea! _____ Blow, _____

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dim. *p*

S Blow, soft and low, Whis - p'ring mel - o - dy!

A soft and low, Whis - p'ring mel - o - dy!

T soft and low, Whis - p'ring mel - o - dy!

B soft and low, Whis - p'ring mel - o - dy! All the

mf

12

dim. *dim.* *dim.* *dim.*

S All the blos - soms wait thy kiss, Ere their beau - ties they un -

A All the blos - soms wait thy kiss, Ere their beau - ties they un -

T All the blos - soms wait thy kiss, Ere their beau - ties they un -

B blos - - - soms wait thy kiss, Ere their beau - ties they un -

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mf *cresc.* *mf* *cresc.* *cresc.* *cresc.*

S fold; Sure - ly thou wilt grant them

A fold; Sure - ly thou wilt grant them

T fold; Sure - ly thou wilt grant them this, wilt grant them

B fold; Sure - ly thou wilt grant them this, wilt grant them

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S *ff* this? Dear - er than a gift of gold! *f* dear - er

A *ff* this? Dear - er than a gift of gold! *f* dear - er

T *ff* this? Dear - er than a gift of gold! *f* dear - er

B *ff* this? Dear - er than a gift of gold! *f* dear - er

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S *dim.* than a gift of gold! *mf* Blow, blow, —

A *dim.* than a gift of gold! *mf* Blow, — thou

T *dim.* than a gift of gold! *mf* Blow, blow, thou gen - tle breeze, blow, —

B *dim.* than a gift of gold! *mf* Blow, blow, — thou

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S *mf* — thou gen - tle breeze, O - ver the mea - dows blow, —

A *mf* gen - tle breeze, O - ver the mea - dows blow, —

T *mf* — thou gen - tle breeze, O - ver the mea - dows blow,

B *mf* gen - tle breeze, O - ver the mea - dows blow,

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S Whis - p'ring 'mid the trem - bling trees *pp* Mu - - - sic sweet and

A Whis - p'ring 'mid the trem - bling trees *pp* Mu - - - sic sweet and

T Whis - p'ring 'mid the trem - bling trees *pp* Mu - - - sic sweet and

B Whis - p'ring 'mid the trem - bling trees *pp* Mu - - - sic sweet and

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S low, mu - sic sweet,

A *mp* low, mu - sic sweet and low,

T low, mu - sic sweet,

B low, mu - sic sweet and

35

S *rall.* mu - sic sweet and low.

A *rall.* mu - sic sweet and low.

T *rall.* mu - sic sweet and low.

B *rall.* low, sweet and low.

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S *mf* Blow, _____ blow, _____

A *mf* Blow, _____ thou

T *mf* Blow, blow, thou gen - tle breeze, blow, _____ blow, _____

B *mf* Blow, blow, thou

42

S *mf* — thou gen - tle breeze, O - ver the moun - tain crest! _____

A *mf* gen - tle breeze, O - ver the moun - tain crest! _____ *sf* Blow, _____ *sf* blow,

T *mf* — thou gen - tle breeze, O - ver the moun - tain crest! _____ *sf* Blow, _____ *sf* blow, _____

B *mf* gen - tle breeze, O - ver the moun - tain crest! _____ Blow, _____

46 *dim.*

S *dim.* Blow, soft and low, _____ Fair _____ from the gold - en west! _____

A *dim.* soft and low, _____ Fair _____ from the gold - en west! _____

T *dim.* _____ soft and low, _____ Fair from the gold - en west! _____

B *dim.* soft and low, _____ Fair from the gold - en west! _____ *mf* From the

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S From the sun - ny lands a - far, Where the scent - ed myr - tles *dim.*

A From the sun - ny lands a - far, Where the scent - ed myr - tles *dim.*

T From the sun - ny lands a - far, Where the scent - ed myr - tles *dim.*

B sun - - - ny lands a - far, — Where the scent - ed myr - tles *dim.*

52

S grow, — And the groves of cit - ron *mf cresc.*

A grow, — And the groves of cit - ron *mf cresc.*

T grow, — And the groves of cit - ron are, of cit - ron *mf cresc.*

B grow, — And the groves of cit - ron are, of cit - ron *mf cresc.*

55

S are, Gen - tle breeze, O soft - ly blow, — gen - tle *ff p f*

A are, Gen - tle breeze, O soft - ly blow, — gen - tle *ff p f*

T are, Gen - tle breeze, O soft - ly blow, — gen - tle *ff p f*

B are, — Gen - tle breeze, O soft - ly blow, — gen - tle *ff p f*

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S breeze, *p* O soft - ly blow! *dim.* Blow, *mf*

A breeze, *p* O soft - ly blow! *dim.* Blow, *mf*

T breeze, *p* O soft - ly blow! *mf* Blow, blow, thou gen - tle breeze,

B breeze, *p* O soft - ly blow! *dim.* Blow, *mf*

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S — blow, — thou gen - tle breeze, *mf* O - ver the mea - dows

A — thou gen - tle breeze, *mf* O - ver the mea - dows

T blow, — blow, — thou gen - tle breeze, *mf* O - ver the mea - dows

B blow, — thou gen - tle breeze, *mf* O - ver the mea - dows

65

S blow, — *p* Whis - p'ring 'mid the trem - bling trees *pp* Mu -

A blow, — *p* Whis - p'ring 'mid the trem - bling trees

T blow, — *p* Whis - p'ring 'mid the trem - bling trees

B blow, — *p* Whis - p'ring 'mid the trem - bling trees

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S - - sic sweet and low! *pp* mu - sic

A *pp* Mu - sic sweet and low! *mp* mu - sic sweet and *3*

T *pp* Mu - sic sweet and low! *pp* mu - sic

B *pp* Mu - sic sweet and low! *pp* mu - sic

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S *rall.* sweet, mu - sic sweet and low!

A *rall.* low, mu - sic sweet and low!

T *rall.* sweet, mu - sic sweet and low!

B *rall.* sweet and low, sweet and low!

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