

# Fragile

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*slowly (± 72)*

The musical score consists of four staves, one for each vocal part: soprano, alto, tenor, and bass. The soprano staff begins with a single note followed by a sustained note with a fermata. The alto staff follows with a similar pattern. The tenor and bass staves begin with sustained notes. The vocal parts sing the word "Daa" throughout most of the piece. There are handwritten markings such as "1", "2", and "3" above certain measures. Measure 9 introduces lyrics: "If blood will flow when flesh and steel are one," repeated three times. The bass staff ends with a flourish.

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soprano

p Daa daa daa da da daa da, ba dot dn

alto

p Daa daa daa da da daa daa,

tenor

p Daa daa daa daa daa daa,

bass

p Daa daa daa daa daa daa,

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daa ba dot dn da ba dot—dot da— ba da da dot—dot da— da da da, ba dot dn

daa daa daa da daa daa

daa daa daa daa daa daa

daa daa daa daa daa daa

daa daa daa daa daa daa

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daa da. mp If blood will flow when flesh and steel are one,

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Dry - ing in the col - our\_\_\_\_ of the eve - ning sun. To - mor - rows rain will wash the

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stains a - way\_\_\_\_\_ but some - thing in - our minds - will al - ways stay. *mf* Per

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haps this fi - nal act. was meant\_\_\_\_ to clinch a life-times ar - gu - ment, that noth - ing comes from vi - o - lence and

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*mf* Daa\_\_\_\_ ba dot\_\_\_\_ ba Daa\_\_\_\_ ba dot\_\_\_\_ ba Daa\_\_\_\_ ba dot\_\_\_\_ ba

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noth-ing ev- er could. For all those born be -neath an an-gry star,  
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noth-ing ev- er could. For all those born be -neath an an-gry star,  
Daa ba dot ba Daa ba dot ba Daa ba dot lest

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we for - get how frag - ile we are. *mp* On... and on... the rain... will fall, like  
we for - get how frag - ile we are. *mp* On... rain... like  
we for - get how frag - ile we are. *mp* On... and on... the rain... will fall, like  
we for - get how frag - ile we are. *mp* On... rain... like

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tears from-a star, like tears from-a star. On... and on... the rain... will say... how  
tears from-a star, like tears from-a star. On... rain... how  
tears from-a star, like tears from-a star. On... and on... the rain... will say... how  
tears from-a star, like tears from-a star. On... rain... how

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frag - ile.. we are\_\_\_\_ how frag - ile.. we are\_\_\_\_ ba dot dn daa ba dot dn da ba dot\_\_\_\_ dot da\_\_\_\_ ba

frag - ile.. we are\_\_\_\_ how frag - ile.. we are\_\_\_\_ *p* daa daa

frag - ile.. we are\_\_\_\_ how frag - ile.. we are\_\_\_\_ *p* daa daa

frag - ile.. we are\_\_\_\_ how frag - ile.. we are\_\_\_\_ *p* daa daa

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1 2

da da dot\_\_\_\_ dot da\_\_\_\_ da da da, ba dot dn daa da. *mf* If blood will flow when flesh and

daa da daaa daa daa daa da. *mf* If blood will flow when flesh and

daa daa daa daa daa da. *mf* If blood will flow when flesh and

daa daa daa daa daa da. *mf* If blood will flow when flesh and

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steel are one, Dry - ing in the col - our\_\_\_\_ of the eve - ning sun. To - mor - rows

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rain will wash the stains a-way but some-thing in. our minds. will al-ways  
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stay. *mp* On... and on the rain will fall, like tears from a star, like  
 stay. *mp* On... rain... like tears from a star, like  
 stay. *mp* On... and on the rain will fall, like tears from a star, like  
 stay. *mp* On... rain... like tears from a star, like

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tears from-a star. On... and on the rain will say how frag - ile- we are *p* how  
 tears from-a star. On... rain... how frag - ile- we are *p* how  
 tears from-a star. On... and on the rain will say how frag - ile- we are *p* how  
 tears from-a star. On... rain... how frag - ile- we are *p* how

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frag - ile.. we are..... how frag - ile.. we are..... how frag - ile.. we are..... mm *bocca chiusa*

frag - ile.. we are..... how frag - ile.. we are..... pp daa p mm

frag - ile.. we are..... how frag - ile.. we are..... pp daa p mm

frag - ile.. we are..... how frag - ile.. we are..... pp daa p mm

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*Very slow*

How *Frag - ile We Are* mp

mp How *Frag - ile We Are*

How *Frag - ile We Are* mp

mp How *Frag - ile We Are*