

# Evening Scene

Text: Coventry Patmore (1823-1896)  
 Musik: Edward Elgar (1857-1934)  
 komponiert 1905 in Rotherwas

**Moderato**

Soprano: The sheep - bell toll - eth cur - few - time; The  
 Alt: The sheep - bell toll - eth cur - few - time; The  
 Tenor: The sheep - bell, The sheep - bell toll - eth, toll - eth  
 Bass: The sheep - bell, The sheep - bell toll - - eth

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S: gnats, a bu - sy rout, Fleck the warm air; the  
 A: gnats, a bu - sy rout, Fleck, fleck the warm air;  
 T: cur - few - time; the sheep - bell toll - eth cur - few -  
 B: cur - few - time; The sheep - bell toll - - eth

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S: dis - mal owl Shout - eth a sleep - y shout;  
 A: the dis - mal owl Shout - eth a sleep - y shout;  
 T: time; The gnats, a bu - sy rout, Fleck the warm air; The voice-less bat, more  
 B: cur - few, cur - few-time, cur - few - time; The gnats,

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**S** The voice - less bat, more felt than seen, Is flit-ting round a -

**A** The voice - less bat, more felt than seen, Is flit-ting round a -

**T** dim.  
The voice - less bat, more felt than seen, Is flit - - ting round a. - bout, The voice-less bat is flit - ting

**B** Fleck the warm air; The voice-less bat is flit - ting

**rit.** *dim.*

**a tempo**

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**S** bout. The as - pen leaf - lets scarce - ly stir: The *mezza voce*  
**A** bout. The as - pen leaf - lets scarce - ly stir: The riv *mezza voce*  
**T** round a - bout. The as - pen leaf - lets scarce - ly stir: The riv *mezza voce*  
**B** round a - bout. The as - pen leaf - lets scarce - ly stir: The riv - - *mezza voce*

**p** **p** **, p cantabile** **pp**

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**S** riv - - - er seems to think; A - thwart the

**A** - er seems to think; A - - thwart the dusk, broad prim - ro - ses

**T** dolce  
riv - - - er seems to think; A - - thwart the dusk, broad prim - ro - ses

**B** - er seems to think; A - - thwart the dusk, broad prim - ro - ses **ppp**

poco rit.

a tempo. poco accel.

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Soprano (S): dusk, broad prim - ro-ses Look cold - ly from the brink. Where, list - 'ning  
Alto (A): Look cold-ly from the brink, look cold - ly from the brink, Where, list - 'ning  
Tenor (T): 8 dusk, broad prim - ro-ses Look cold - ly from the brink. Where, list - 'ning  
Bass (B): Look cold-ly from the brink, look cold - ly from the brink, Where, list - 'ning

rall.

a tempo

pp mezza voce

rit.

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Soprano (S): to the fresh-et's noise, The qui - et, qui - et cat - tle  
Alto (A): to the fresh - et's noise, where, list-'ning to the fresh - - - et's noise, The  
Tenor (T): 8 to the fresh - - et's noise, The qui - et, qui - et cat - tle  
Bass (B): to the fresh-et's noise, where, list-'ning to the fresh - - - et's noise, The

a tempo

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Soprano (S): drink. The bees boom past, the white moths  
Alto (A): qui - et cat - - tle drink. The bees boom past, the white moths  
Tenor (T): 8 drink. The bees, dim.  
Bass (B): qui - - et cat - - tle drink. The bees, dim.

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*dim.*

S rise, the white moths rise Like spi - rits from the

*dim.*

A rise, the white moths rise Like spi - rits from the

*dim.*

T 8 the bees boom past, the white moths rise, Like spi - rits,

B the bees boom past, the white moths rise, Like spi - rits,

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*dim.*

S ground; The gray flies hum their

*dim.*

A ground; The bees boom past; The gray flies hum

*p*

T 8 like spi - rits from the ground; The gray flies hum their wea - ry tune, The

*cresc.*

B like spi - rits from the ground; The bees boom past, the the

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S wea - ry tune, the gray flies hum their wea - ry

A their wea - ry, wea - ry tune, the gray flies hum their wea - ry

*p*

T 8 white moths rise Like spi - rits from the ground; The gray flies hum their wea - ry

*mf*

B bees boom past; The gray flies hum their wea - ry tune,

rit.

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S seen, Is flit - ting round a -  
A seen, Is flit - ting round a -  
T bout, The voice - less bat is flit - ting  
B The voice - less bat is flit - ting

*dim.*

*dim.*

*dim.*

*dim.*

***ppp***

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S tune, A dis - - - tant, dream-like  
A tune, ten. ***pp*** *espress.*  
T 8 tune, A dis-tant, dream - like sound, a dis-tant, dream-like sound, a dis-tant,  
B A dis - tant, dream - - like sound, a

*dim. molto*

*ten.*

***pp*** *espress.*

*dim. molto*

*ten.* ***pp*** *espress.*

*p* *dim. molto*

*ten.* ***pp*** *espress.* — *poco* —

rit. ..... e ..... dim.

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S sound, a dis - tant dream - - - like sound,  
A dream - - like, dream - like sound; The gray flies hum their wea - ry tune, A  
T 8 dream - - like sound, a dis - tant dream - - - like sound, a  
B dream - like sound; The gray flies hum their wea - ry tune,

*ppp*

*mezza voce*

*ppp* *mezza voce*

*ppp* *mezza voce*

*ppp* *mezza voce*

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**molto rit.**

Soprano (S) vocal line:

a dream - like sound;

**a tempo, più lento**

*pp*

And far, far off to the slumb' - rous

Alto (A) vocal line:

dream - - - like sound; And far, far off to the slumb' - rous

Tenor (T) vocal line:

8 dream - - - like sound; And far, far off, and

Bass (B) vocal line:

A dis - tant sound; And far off,

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*dim. molto*

Soprano (S) vocal line:

eve; Bay - eth an old guard - hound.

**molto lento**

*poco*, *pppp*

*dim. molto*

Alto (A) vocal line:

eve; Bay - eth, bay - eth an old guard - hound.

*mfp*, *poco*, *pppp*

Tenor (T) vocal line:

8 far, far off to the slumb' - rous, slumb' - rous eve, Bay - eth an old guard - hound.

*ppp*, *mfp*, *poco*, *pppp*

Bass (B) vocal line:

and far, far off to the slumb' - rous eve, Bay - eth an old guard - - hound.