

# ASK ME NO MORE

for S.A.T.B. voices and piano

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SIR ALFRED LORD TENNYSON (1809-1892)\*

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Expressively (♩ = ca. 80-84)

PIANO

4 SOPRANO *poco rit.* *mp* 5 *a tempo*

ALTO *poco rit.* *mp* *a tempo*

TENOR *poco rit.* *a tempo* *mp*

BASS *poco rit.* *a tempo* *mp*

Ask me no more: the moon may draw the sea;

Ask me no more: the moon may draw the sea;

The cloud may

The cloud may

\* Alfred Lord Tennyson was the most popular poet of the Victorian era. He was born in Somersby, Lincolnshire in England, the fourth of twelve children to George and Elizabeth Tennyson. Alfred attended Trinity College, Cambridge, where he won the Chancellor's Gold Medal in 1828 for his poem "Timbuctoo." In 1845 he received a government pension of £200 a year, which helped provide Tennyson with needed financial support. Despite the fact that he was legally blind and could not even see to eat without a monocle, he achieved great success as a poet. Tennyson was named Poet Laureate of England in 1850 and was later awarded his title "Lord" by Queen Victoria in 1884.

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*poco rit.* *a tempo*

With fold to fold, of

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

With fold to fold, of

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

stoop from heav'n and take the shape, With fold to fold, of

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

stoop from heav'n and take the shape, With fold to fold, of

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

10

*mf*

moun - tain or of cape; But O too fond,

*mf*

moun - tain or of cape; But O too fond,

*mf*

moun - tain or of cape; But O too fond,

*mf*

moun - tain or of cape; But O too fond,

*mf*



19 *poco rit.* *mf* 20 *a tempo*

Ask me no more: what an - swer should I give?

*poco rit.* *mf* *a tempo*

Ask me no more: what an - swer should I give?

*poco rit.* *a tempo* *mf*

I love no

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

*poco rit.* *a tempo* *mf*

22 *mp*

Ask me no more. Yet, O my friend, I

*mp*

Ask me no more. Yet, O my friend, I

*mp*

hol - low cheek or fad - ed eye: Yet, O my friend, I

*mp*

Ask me no more. Yet, O my friend, I

*mp*

25 *f poco rit.* *a tempo* *decresc.*

will not have thee die! Ask me no more,

*f poco rit.* *a tempo* *decresc.*

will not have thee die, have thee die!

*f poco rit.* *a tempo* *decresc.*

will not have thee die, thee die!

*f poco rit.* *a tempo* *decresc.*

will not have thee die, thee die!

*f poco rit.* *a tempo* *decresc.*

will not have thee die, thee die!

28 *poco rit.* *p*

lest should I bid thee live. Thy

*poco rit.* *p*

lest should I bid thee live. Thy

*poco rit.* *p*

I bid thee live. Thy

*poco rit.* *p*

I bid thee live. Thy

31

*a tempo*

fate and mine are seal'd: I strove a - gainst the stream and all in

fate and mine are seal'd: I strove a - gainst the stream and all in

fate and mine are seal'd: I strove, but all in

fate and mine are seal'd: I strove, but all in

33

*cresc.*

vain: Let the great riv - er take me to the

vain: Let the great riv - er take me

vain: Let the great riv - er

vain: Let the great riv - er

35 *f* *poco rit. e decresc.*

main: \_\_\_\_\_ No more, dear love, for at a

*f* *poco rit. e decresc.*

take me to the main: \_\_\_\_\_ No more, dear love, for at a

*f* *poco rit. e decresc.*

take \_\_\_\_\_ no more, dear love, for at a

*f* *poco rit. e decresc.*

take \_\_\_\_\_ no more, dear love, for at a

*f* *poco rit. e decresc.*

37 *mp*

touch I yield; \_\_\_\_\_ Ask me no more. \_\_\_\_\_

*mp*

touch I yield; \_\_\_\_\_ Ask me no

*mp*

touch I yield; \_\_\_\_\_ Ask me no

*mp*

touch I yield; \_\_\_\_\_ Ask me no

*mp*

40 *a tempo e decresc.* *poco rit.*

Ask me no more.

*a tempo e decresc.* *poco rit.*

more, no more.

*a tempo e decresc.* *poco rit.*

more, no more.

*a tempo e decresc.* *poco rit.*

more, no more.

*a tempo e decresc.* *poco rit.*

more, no more.

43 *a tempo* *poco rit.* **45** *a tempo*

*a tempo* *poco rit.* *mp a tempo*

Ask me

*a tempo* *poco rit.* *mp a tempo*

Ask me

*a tempo* *poco rit.* *mp a tempo*

Ask me

*a tempo* *poco rit.* *a tempo mp*



*mp*  
Ask me no  
no more. Ask me no more.  
no more. Ask me no more.  
no more. Ask me no more.

more.  
Ask me no more. Ask me  
Ask me no more. Ask me  
Ask me no more. Ask me

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*decresc.* *rit.* *p*

Ask me, ask me no

*decresc.* *rit.*

no more. Ask me no more.

*decresc.* *rit.*

no more. Ask me no more.

*decresc.* *rit.*

no more. Ask me no more.

*decresc.* *rit.*

no more. Ask me no more.

55

*p*

more.

*p*

Ask me no more.

*p*

Ask me no more.

*p*

Ask me no more.

*p*

Ask me no more.

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