

# In the bleak midwinter

Words: Christina Rosetti, 1872

Tune: Gustav Holst, 1906  
arr. E Muirhead

**Andante [♩ = 85]**

The musical score consists of four systems of music, each with two staves: treble and bass. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (indicated by '4'). The tempo is marked as Andante with a quarter note duration of 85 beats per minute.

**System 1 (Measures 1-4):**

In the bleak mid - win - ter, frost - y winds made moan,

**System 2 (Measures 5-8):**

Earth stoodhard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone.

**System 3 (Measures 9-12):**

Snow had fal - len, snow on snow, snow on snow,

**System 4 (Measures 13-16):**

In the bleak mid - win - ter, long a - go.

Each system features a melodic line with various note values (eighth and sixteenth notes) and rests, accompanied by harmonic chords indicated by vertical stems or dots. The lyrics are placed below the notes, aligned with the vocal line.