

# Move him into the sun

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Poem: Futility, by Wilfred Owen; with extracts from: The Bard, by Thomas Gray

The Nornir should sing ethereally, like ghostly voices in the wind; the choir (Muninn, memory) in a warm and gentle murmur, with minimal articulation of the words; and the bass soloist (Huginn, thought) en dehors, singing expressively and naturally.

♩ = 75

*A single Norn:* *The three Nornir:*

1

The Nornir

Move him in — to the sun, move him in — to the

SATB Choir

Bass Soloist

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sun. move him, move him in — to the sun.

in — to the

in — to the

Move him in — to the

Move him in — to the

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rit. *Slightly faster than tempo primo*

sun, at home, at

sun.

sun. at

sun. *p* At

*mf* rit. *Slightly faster than tempo primo*

3

Move him in — to the sun, Gen — tly its touch a — woke him once, at

11

home, once at home. at home. at

at home. at

home, at home. at

home. Of fields half — sown at

home, whis — per — ing of fields half — sown,

7 (b)

15

at home,  
home, at home.  
home, half — sown at home: Move him in — to the  
home, Move him, move him

*A single  
Norn*  
*mf*

*All three Nornir*

18

The thread is spun. The  
sun, the sun.  
in — to the sun.

22

thread is spun, is spun.

*mp* Move him in-to the sun, Move him in-to the sun, Move him in-to the sun, Move him in-to the sun,

26

*mf*

Move him in-to the sun. Move him, Al-ways it woke him, e-ven in

Faster: approx.

♩ = 84

30

him, move him, move him, move him,

Move him, move him

*mp*

At a faster tempo

France, Un—til this mor—ning and this snow. If

Slower, approx.

♩ = 68

34

in—to the sun. Will know, will

move him. in—to the sun. Will know, will

*mp*

rit.

a—ny—thing might rouse him now, the kind old sun will know,

*a tempo*  
♩ = 75

38

The thread is spun, is

Move him, move him in-to the sun.

know, will know:

know:

*mp*

Move him in-to the sun.

Move him

Move him in-to the sun.

43

spun.

move him, move him in-to the sun. the sun.

move him in-to the sun.

in-to the sun, move him in-to the sun, the sun.

*mp*

move him move him in-to the sun, the sun. Think how it

Think how it wakes, it

Slower: approx.

♩ = 68

47

rit.

The seeds, at home,

The seeds, the seeds at home, at

wakes the seeds at home, at

wakes the seeds, Woke

Slower

50

*mp*

once at home: at home,

in fields at home;

home, in fields half-sown at

home, in fields at

once the clays of a cold star,

53 *a tempo* ♩ = 75 *mf* (unis.)

The thread is

home; Move him in-to the sun.

Move him in-to the sun.

home. Move him in-to the sun.

57

spun, the thread is spun.

move him in-to the sun.

move him in-to the sun.

move him in-to the sun.

Are

Lento

60

rit.

Move him, move him; move

*p* Move him; move him, move

*p* Move him, move him; move

rit.

limbs, so dear - a - chieved, are sides Full - nerved, still warm, too hard to stir? Was

Almost tempo primo

Back to approx.

65 ♩ = 70

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The thread is

rall.

him, move him.

*mf* Was it for this?

him. Was it for this?

*mf*

Not quite tempo primo

rall.

it for this, for this the clay grew tall?

70 *f*

spun, the web is wove. Our work is done.

74 *mf* *Tempo primo*  $\text{♩} = 75$

Move him in—to the sun. Our work is done.

Move him in—to the sun. Move him in—to the sun.

Move him in—to the sun. Move him in—to the sun.

Move him in—to the sun. Move him in—to the sun.

78

Move him in - to the sun.  
 sun,  
 in - to the sun,  
 in - to the sun,  
 in - to the sun,  
 O what made fat - uous

83

*a tempo*  
 ♩ = 75 A single  
 Norm

*mf*

The thread is spun, is  
 at  
 at all?  
 sun - beams toil To break earth's sleep at all?

*rall.*

All three Nornir, in unison

88

spun. *mf* Move him in—to the sun,

*mp* Move him in—to the sun.

at all? Move him in—to the sun,

all? Move him in—to the sun.

Move him in—to the sun,

92

move him in—to the sun. The thread is spun; The

*mf* move him in-to the sun.

*mf* move him in-to the sun. move him in—to the

*mf* move him in—to the sun, the

Pushing the tempo forward;  
Crescendo in all parts

96

web is wove; Our work is done.

move him in—to the sun,

move him in—to the sun.

sun. move him in—to the sun.

sun. Move him, move him in—to the sun.

Slower: approx.

♩ = 66

99

Move him in—to the sun.

Move him in—to the sun,

Move him in—to the sun.

Move him in—to the sun,

Move him in—to the sun, the sun.

Move him, move him move him in—to the sun.

*al niente*

*al niente*

*al niente*

*al niente*

*rit.*

*rit.*

*mf*