

# Break, Break, Break

By Alfred, Lord Tennyson

Break, break, break,  
    On thy cold gray stones, O Sea!  
And I would that my tongue could utter  
    The thoughts that arise in me.

O, well for the fisherman's boy,  
    That he shouts with his sister at play!  
O, well for the sailor lad,  
    That he sings in his boat on the bay!

And the stately ships go on  
    To their haven under the hill;  
But O for the touch of a vanish'd hand,  
    And the sound of a voice that is still!

Break, break, break  
    At the foot of thy crags, O Sea!  
But the tender grace of a day that is dead  
    Will never come back to me.

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