

Will ye no' come back again?

**Traditional Scottish song
arranged by Ken Johnston**

for unaccompanied SATB voices

Words by Lady Nairne (1766 – 1845)

Composed 2001

Duration of piece: 5'

Another version of this song is also available,
arranged by Ken Johnston, for unaccompanied female voices (SSAA)

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Slowly $\text{♩} = c.60$ poco rit.

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

8 **A little faster** $\text{♩} = c.68$

Bon - nie Char - lie's noo a - wa', Safe - ly owre the friend - ly main. Mo - ny a he'rt will
ah Safe - ly owre the friend - ly main. ah

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break in twa, Should he ne'er come back a - gain. Will ye no' come back a - gain? Will ye no' come
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back a - gain? Bet - ter lo'ed ye can - na be, Will ye no' come back a - gain?_

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24

A little slower (Tempo 1) *poco rit.* A little faster (Tempo 2)

oo ah

oo ah

oo Ye trust - ed in your

oo ah

29

Hie - lan' men, They trust - ed you, dear Char - lie. They kent your hid - ing in the glen, ah

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34

mp poco cresc.

Will ye no' come back a - gain? Will ye no' come

mp poco cresc.

Will ye no' come back a - gain? Will ye no' come

8 *mp poco cresc.*

Death or ex - ile brav - ing. Will ye no' come back a - gain? Will ye no' come

mp poco cresc.

Will ye no' come back a - gain? Will ye no' come

39

mf *dim.* **rit.**

back a - gain? Bet-ter lo'ed ye can-na be, Will ye no' come back a - gain?_

mf *dim.*

back a - gain? Bet-ter lo'ed ye can - na be, Will ye no' come back a - gain?_

mf *dim.*

back a - gain? Bet-ter lo'ed ye can - na be, Will ye no' come back a - gain?_

mf *dim.*

back a - gain?_ Bet-ter lo'ed ye can - na be, Will ye no' come back a - gain?_

A little slower (Tempo 1)

44

p *poco cresc.*

oo

p *poco cresc.*

oo

p *poco cresc.*

oo

p *poco cresc.*

oo

poco rit. A little faster (Tempo 2)

50

ah

We watched thee in the gloa - min' hour, We watched thee in the morn - in' grey, Tho'

ah

ah

55

ah

Will ye no' come

thir - ty thou - sand pound they gie, Oh, there is nane that wad be - tray. Will ye no' come

ah

Will ye no' come

ah

Will ye no' come

60

back a - gain? Will ye no' come back a - gain? Bet - ter lo'ed ye

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back a - gain? Will ye no' come back a - gain? Bet - ter lo'ed ye

back a - gain? Will ye no' come back a - gain? Bet - ter lo'ed ye

64

can-na be, Will ye no' come back a - gain? Will ye no' come back a - gain?

can - na be, Will ye no' come back a - gain? Will ye no' come back a - gain?

can - na be, Will ye no' come back a - gain? Will ye no' come back a - gain?

can - na be, Will ye no' come back a - gain? Will ye no' come back a - gain?

cresc.

69

Will ye no' come back a - gain? Bet - ter lo'ed ye can - na be,

Will ye no' come back a - gain? Bet - ter lo'ed ye can - na be,

Will ye no' come back a - gain? Bet - ter lo'ed ye can - na be,

Will ye no' come back a - gain? Bet - ter lo'ed ye can - na be,

73

rit. **A little slower (Tempo 1)** **rit.**

dim. Will ye no' come back a - gain? oo

dim. Will ye no' come back a - gain? oo

dim. Will ye no' come back a - gain? oo

dim. Will ye no' come back a - gain? oo

p