

# BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATER

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Moderato, not too fast, like a spiritual

*mf* *mp* *p*

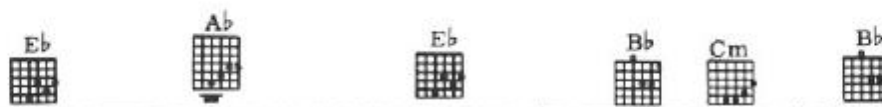
*Rubato*

When you're wea - ry, - feel - in - small.  
down and out, - When you're on the street,

*p*


When tears are in your eyes, - I'll dry them - all;  
When eve - ning falls so hard - I will com - fort - you.

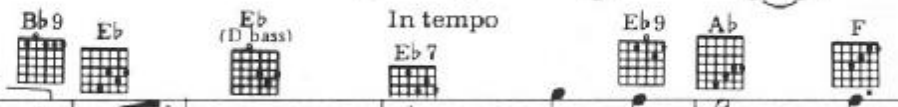
*mp*



I'm on your side. Oh,  
 I'll take your part. Oh,


*mp*





when times get rough — And friends just can't be found,  
 when dark - ness comes — And pain is all a - round,

*s*

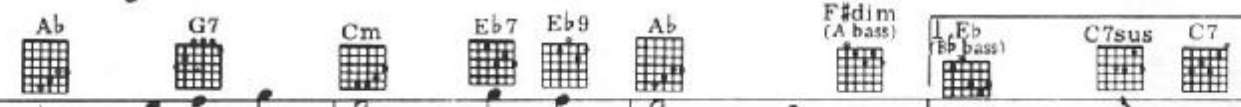




Like a Bridge O - ver Trou-bled Wa-ter


*mp*





I will lay me down, Like a Bridge O - ver Trou-bled Wa-ter

*mf* *mp*



Ab Bb9 (sus) Bb7 Eb Ab

I will lay me down.

*mf* *f*

Eb Ab Eb Ab

Rubato

When you're

*mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *p*

2 Eb (Bb bass) Cm Ab Cm (G bass) G Cm F7

Trou-bled Wa-ter I will lay me down.

*mf* *f*

Eb Ab Cm Ab Abm Eb

Ab Eb Ab Eb Ab

Sail on

This system contains the first five measures of the piece. The guitar part is shown as a series of chord diagrams for Ab, Eb, Ab, Eb, and Ab. The piano accompaniment features a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The lyrics 'Sail on' are positioned at the end of the first measure.

Eb Ab Db Ab

sil-ver girl, Sail on by. Your time has

This system contains measures 6 through 10. The guitar part includes chord diagrams for Eb, Ab, Db, and Ab. The piano accompaniment continues with a similar melodic and bass structure. The lyrics 'sil-ver girl, Sail on by. Your time has' are spread across measures 6, 7, and 8.

Eb Ab Eb Ab Eb Ab

come to shine.— All your dreams are on their way.

This system contains measures 11 through 15. The guitar part includes chord diagrams for Eb, Ab, Eb, Ab, Eb, and Ab. The piano accompaniment features a more active bass line. The lyrics 'come to shine.— All your dreams are on their way.' are spread across measures 11, 12, and 13.

Eb Bb Cm Bb Eb Eb (D bass)

See how they shine.—— Oh,—— if you need a friend

This system contains the final five measures of the piece. The guitar part includes chord diagrams for Eb, Bb, Cm, Bb, Eb, and Eb (D bass). The piano accompaniment concludes with a final melodic flourish. The lyrics 'See how they shine.—— Oh,—— if you need a friend' are spread across measures 16, 17, and 18. A dynamic marking of *mp* is present in the first measure of this system.

**In tempo**

**E $\flat$ 7** **E $\flat$ 9** **A $\flat$**  **F** **B $\flat$**  **E $\flat$ 7** **E $\flat$ 9** **A $\flat$**  **F $\sharp$ dim (A $\flat$  bass)**

I'm sail - ing right be - hind. — Like a Bridge O - ver

**E $\flat$  (B $\flat$  bass)** **Cm** **A $\flat$**  **Cm** **G** **Cm** **E $\flat$ 7** **E $\flat$ 9** **A $\flat$**  **A $\flat$  maj $\sharp$  (A $\flat$  bass)** **F7**

Trou - bled Wa - ter I will ease your mind. — Like a Bridge O - ver

**E $\flat$  (B $\flat$  bass)** **Cm** **A $\flat$**  **G7** **Cm** **F9** **Fmaj9**

Trou - bled Wa - ter I will ease your mind. —

**E $\flat$  (B $\flat$  bass)** **A $\flat$**  **A $\flat$  m** **E $\flat$**

*rall.* **fff**