# Blow, Ye Winds of Morning

**Traditional** 









#### Verse 1:

[C] 'Tis advertised in Boston, New York and Buffalo, Five [F] hundred brave [C] Americans, a-[D]-whaling for to [G] go,

# Chorus:

Singing, [C] blow, ye winds in the morning; blow, ye winds, high-ho! [F] Clear away your [C] running gear, And [G] blow, boys, [C] blow!

# Verse 2:

[C] They send you to New Bedford, that famous whaling port, And [F] hand you to some [C] land-sharks to [D] board and fit you [G] out.

# Chorus:

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#### Verse 3:

[C] They tell you of the clipper-ships-a-going in and out,

[F] Say you'll take five [C] hundred sperm be-[D]-fore you're six months [G] ou

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# Verse 4:

[C] It's now we're out to sea, my boys, the wind comes on to blow; One [F] half the watch is [C] sick on deck, the [D] other half be-[G]-low.

# Instrumental Chorus:

[G] Singing, [C] blow, ye winds in the morning; blow, ye winds, high-ho! [F] Clear away your [C] running gear, And [G] blow, boys, [C] blow!

#### Verse 5:

[C] But as for the provisions, we don't get half enough;
A [F] little piece of [C] stinking beef and a [D] blamed small bag of [G] duff.

# Chorus:

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#### Verse 6:

[C] Next comes the running rigging, which you're all supposed to know; [F] "Lay aloft, you [C] son-of-a-gun, or [D] overboard you [G] go!"

#### Chorus:

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#### Verse 7:

[C] The Skipper's on the quarter-deck a-squinting at the sails, When [F] up aloft the [C] lookout sights a [D] school of spouting [G] whales.

#### Chorus:

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# Verse 8:

[C] "Now clear away the boats, my boys, and after him we'll travel, But [F] if you get too [C] near his fluke, he'll [D] kick you to the [G] devil!"

# Instrumental Chorus:

[G] Singing, [C] blow, ye winds in the morning; blow, ye winds, high-ho! [F] Clear away your [C] running gear, And [G] blow, boys, [C] blow!

#### Verse 9:

[C] Now we have got him turned up, we tow him alongside; We [F] over with our [C] blubber-hooks and [D] rob him of his [G] hide.

# Chorus:

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# Verse 10:

[C] Next comes the stowing down, my boys; 'twill take both night and day, You'll [F] all have fifty [C] cents apiece on the [D] hundred and ninetieth [G] day

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### Verse 11:

[C] When we get home, our ship made fast, and we get through our sailing, A [F] winding glass a-[C]-round we'll pass and [D] damn this blubber [G] whali

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