

KATIE MIND THE LIGHT!

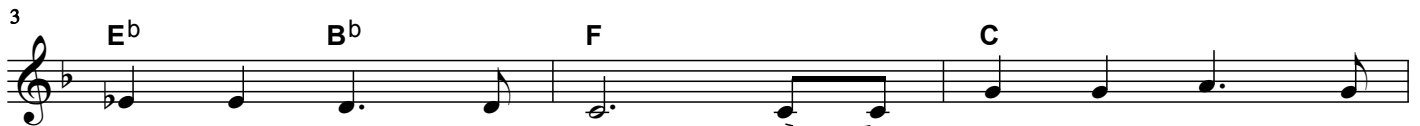
The True Story of Katie Walker

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The *f* Jan - u - a - ry winds are fierce as the
 (So) now she's left a wi - - - dow With _____
 (Now) Ka - tie was a wo - - - man Who was



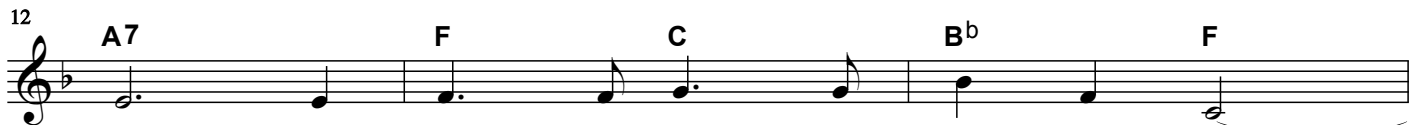
gales sweep o'er the bay The _____ shore - line lights have
 two small kids to raise But she's come to love the
 less than five feet tall Who'd _____ e'er ex - pect so



dis - ap-peared in _____ sheets of freez - ing spray The _____
 light _____ house And the har - bor's bu - sy ways She _____
 brave a heart In _____ a - ny - one so small? But each



light - house keep - er's dy - ing He'll _____ not sur - vive the
 learned the light house keep-er's job At her lov - ing hus - band's
 day she steers her row _____ boat With a wa - ter-man's true



night He calls his wife for one last word
 side She'll do the job and prove her - self
 skill To take her kids to school and back



_____ Please _____ Ka - tie mind the light! } Dear
 _____ With _____ cour - age and with pride!
 _____ Thru the cur - rents of the Kill

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Ka - tie mind the light *[after v. 1]* On this foul and storm - y
[after vv 2 - 7] On _ this and ev - 'ry

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night My time is short So it's up to you Please
 night So ma - ny lives de - - pend on you Oh

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Ka - - - tie mind the light! So
 Ka - - - tie mind the ----- light!

[4] The sailors who remember
 The gales of ninety six
 Still shake their heads as they recall
 The devil's bag of tricks
 The fury of the tempest
 Lashing ev'ry boat in sight
 One thing alone to save them
 'Twas Katie Walker's light!

[5]
 One horrid night a schooner
 Ran headlong on the reef
 The master and his gallant crew
 Cried desp'rate for relief
 Soon Katie's in her rowboat
 Heading out thru ice and fog
 To save each struggling schoonerman
 And the Captain's scottie dog!

[6] Thirty years have passed - the time has
 come
 For Kate to live on shore
 And it breaks her heart to realize
 That the light is hers no more
 But the keeper who succeeds her?
 Well she knows *he'll* do it right -
 It's Kate's own son who'll be taking care
 Of Katie Walker's light!

[7] Kate's light today as in the past
 Guides mariners from the shoals
 But the keepers and their kind are gone
 Those brave and hardy souls
 So let's drink a toast to Katie
 And her nights on Robbins Reef
 And thank her for devotion
 That's almost past belief!