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# White Songs

Compulsary works for the International Choir Competition  
of Flanders-Maasmechelen 2017

Lyrics: Helen White

Anchorite

SSAATTBB

## - **Upstream** -

SmSA

Mouth full of birds

TBarB

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# Upstream

Maarten Van Ingelgem  
text: Helen White

**Restless** ♩ = 108

*f* *mf* *f*  
> *whispered*

Soprano  
Push... → its... → w... → a(y)... → ea... → s... t  
(like tuning a radio)

Mezzo-Soprano  
*pp* *mp*  
east - - - - wards du -

Alto  
*f* *mp*  
(like a bell) Com... ing... in... rain... com... in... ing... com... rain... ing...

5 *mf* *whispered (low)* ('r': rolled) ('r': rolled) >  
o - - ve - r - night r... a-i → n

('r': not rolled) *f* *mf*  
r - - ing the night and fur - ther

com... in... rain... ing... ing... in... rain... com... ing... rain... and fur - ther

12 *f* *whispered (medium)* >  
so - me fair-ly hea-vy

*f* *mf*  
hea - vy ra → in - fa (a) → ll, hea - vy ra → in co - m - i - ng -

*f* *mf*  
hea - vy ra → in - fa (a) → ll, hea - vy ra → in co - m - i - ng

Van Ingelgem, M.: *Upstream*

20 *p* spoken (high) *mp*

a di - s - tinct pos - si - bi - li - ty ri - ver

in... ri - ver is wi - thin

in... com... ing... in... com... ing... in... com... ing... in... ing... in... ing...

25 *mf* *mf* *mp*

is wi - thin in - ches wi - thin in - ches of

in - - - ches wi - thin in - ches o - f...

in... ing... ri - ver is wi - thin in - - - che - s...

31 *meno mosso* ♩ = 96 *f* excited *f* *f* *f*

the wea - ther is get - ting real - ly, the wea - ther is get - ting real - ly, real - ly

the wea - ther is get - ting real - ly, the wea - ther is get - ting real - ly, real - ly

the wea - ther is get - ting real - ly, the wea - ther is get - ting real - ly, real - ly

accelerando poco a poco

45

the floo - ding, the floo - ding, the floo - di - ng

floo - ding, the floo - ding, the floo - ding, the floo - di

night the floo - ding, the floo - ding, the floo - ding m - o - re

(♩ = 120) *acc. sempre*

50

a - bout a mile up - stream, up -

ng a - bout a mile up - stream, up -

flood - w - a - r - n - i - ng ngs out, a - bout a mile up - stream, up -

56

strea - m...

stream crak - s (s) e - ve - re - w - ea - the - r - w - a - r - n -

strea - m...

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95 *f* , > > , *mf*

safe - ty. Leave now! Homes un - der - wa - ter.

safe - ty. Leave now! Homes un - der - wa - ter.

safe - ty. Leave now! Homes un - der - wa - ter.

100 *f* , *p* 3 3

Don't wait for the wa - ter, wa - ter, wa - ter, wa - ter, wa - ter,

Don't wait for the wa - ter, wa - ter, wa - ter, wa -

Don't wait for the wa - ter, wa - ter,

103 *individual accelerando* ; *ff* *hysterical*

wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, (etc.) Our house!

ter, wa - ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa - ter, wa - ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, wa-ter, (etc.) Our house!

wa - ter, wa - ter, wa - ter, wa - ter, wa - ter, wa - ter, wa - ter, wa - ter, wa-ter, (etc.) Our house!