

Alone

Dedicated to the memory of Alfredo Sgroi (1958-2017).

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Laura Sgroi

with sadness ♩ = 80

Solo 1

Solo 2

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

p

p

mm

mm

I am alone, in spite of love,
In spite of all I take and give—
In spite of all your tenderness,
Sometimes I am not glad to live.

I am alone, as though I stood
On the highest peak of the tired gray world,
About me only swirling snow,
Above me, endless space unfurled;

With earth hidden and heaven hidden,
And only my own spirit's pride
To keep me from the peace of those
Who are not lonely, having died.

7

S

A *p*
mm

T

B

oo

oo

oo

oo

13

Solo 1

mp

I am a-lone, in spite of love

S *p*

A *p*

T *p*

B *p*

oo

oh

oh

oh

oh

19

Solo 1

In spite of all I take and give In spite of all your

S

In spite of all your

A

oh

T

8 In spite of all your

B

oh

24

Solo 1

ten-der - ness, Some-times I am not glad to live.

S

ten-der - ness oh

A

ten-der - ness oh

T

8 ten-der - ness oh

B

oh

mp *p*

mp *p*

mp *p*

mp *p*

mp *p*

30 *mf*

S I am a-lone as though I stood _____ On the high - est peak of the

A I am a-lone as though I stood _____ On the high - est peak of the

T I am a-lone as though I stood _____ On the high - est peak of the

B I am a-lone as though I stood _____ On the high - est peak of the

34 *f*

S tired gray world, _____ A - bout me on - ly ___ swirl - ing ___ snow _____ a -

A tired gray world, _____ A - bout me on - ly ___ swirl - ing snow _____ a

T tired gray world, _____ A - bout me on - ly swirl - ing ___ snow _____ a -

B tired gray world, _____ 'bout me on - ly swirl - ing snow _____ a -