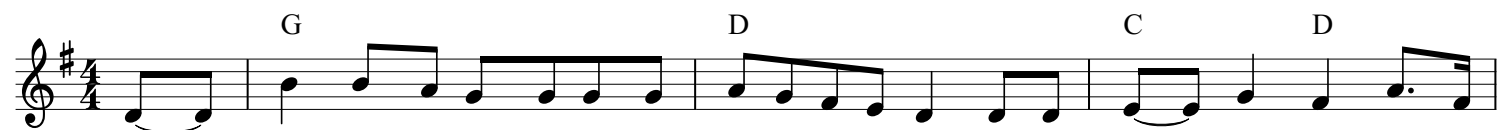
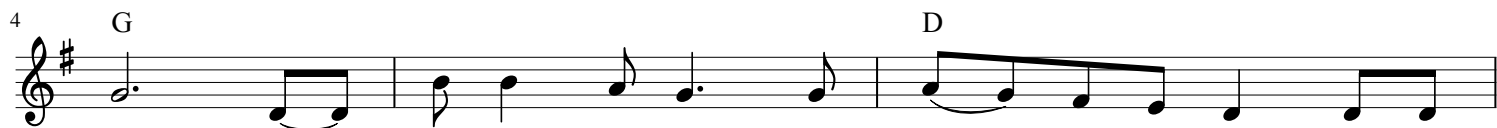


# Mermaid

(Child Ballad No. 289)



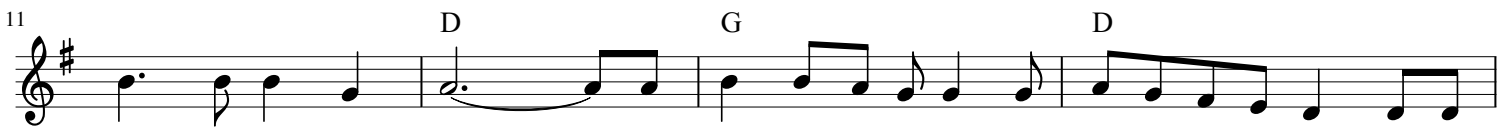
It was Fri - day morn - when we set sail, And we were not far frae the  
Then up spoke the cap - tain of our gal-lant ship, And a right good cap - tain was  
Then up spoke the mate of our gal-lant ship, And a fine bold mate was  
Then up spoke the ca - bin-boy of our gal-lant ship, And a brave young lad was  
Then up spoke the cook of our gal-lant ship, And a greas - y old butch - er was  
Then three times round spun our gal-lant ship, And three times round spun



land, When our cap - tain he spied a mer - maid so fair, with a  
he, This fish - y mer - maid has warned us of our doom, We shall  
he, Say - ing I have a wife in E - din - bo - ro town, And to -  
he, Oh I have a sweet - heart in old Ports-mouth town, And to -  
he, "I care much more for me pots and me pans Than I  
she, Three times a - round spun our gal - lant ship And she



comb and a glass in her hand. And the o - cean waves do roll, And the  
sink to the bot - tom of the sea.  
night a wid - ow she will be.  
night she'll be weep - ing for me.  
do for the bot - tom of the sea.  
sank to the bot - tom of the sea.



storm - y winds do blow, And we brave sail-ors are skip-ping at the top While the



land - lub-bers lie down be - low, be-low, be-low, While the land - lub-bers lie down be - low.