

# Benedicite! What dremyd I

## *A Song*

Benedicite what dremyd I this nyȝt  
methought the worlde was turnyd upsodowne  
the son the moone hade lost ther force  
and lyȝt the see also drowned both towre and towne.  
Yett more mervell how that I hard the sownde of onys voice saying  
bere in thy mynd thy lady hath forgotten to be kynd.

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Altus *Benedicite*  
Be - ne - di - ci - te! What dream - ed I this night? Me -

Contratenor *Benedicite*  
Be-ne-di - ci-te! What dream - ed I this night? Me - thought the world\_\_

Bassus *Benedicite*  
Be-ne-di - ci-te! What dream - ed I this\_\_ night? Me-thought

A.  
thought the world was turn-ed up - so - down: The sun, the moon had

Ct.  
\_\_ was turn - ed up - so - - down: The sun, the moon had lost their force and

B.  
the world was turn-ed up - so - down: The sun, the moon had lost their

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A. lost their force and light;

Ct. light;

B. force and light;

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A. the sea also drowned both tower and town.

Ct. the sea also drowned both tower and

B. the sea also drowned both tower and town.

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A. town.

Ct. town.

B. town.

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A. Yet more marvel how that I heard the

Ct. Yet more marvel how that I heard the sound

B. Yet more marvel how that I heard the sound of

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A. sound of on - es voice say - ing: Bear in thy mind,

Ct. of on - es voice say - ing: Bear in thy mind,

B. on - es voice say-ing: Bear in thy mind,

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A. thy la - dy hath for - got - ten, thy la - dy hath for - got - ten to be kind.

Ct. thy la - dy hath for - got - ten to be kind.

B. thy la - dy hath for - got - ten to be kind.

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A.

Ct.

B.

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A.

Ct.

B.