

Life Is a Toil

Ab Ab7 Db Eb7

2 3 4 5

One

Ab Ab7 Db Eb7

6 7 8 9

day as I wan - dered, I heard a com - plain - ing, And

Ab Eb7 Ab

10 11 12 13

saw an old wo - man, the pic - ture of gloom. She

14 Ab7 Db Eb7

gazed at the mud on her door - step ('twas rain - ing), And

18 Ab Eb7 Ab

this was her song as she wiel - ded her broom: "Oh,

22 Ab C7 Fm G7

life is a toil— and love is a trou - ble, And beau - ty will fade— and

28 C Eb7 Ab Db

ri - ches will flee. Oh, plea - sures, they dwin - dle, and, pri - ces, they

B7
Ab
Abm6
Bbm7
B7
Ab

33 34 35 36 37

dou - ble, And no - thing is as I could wish it to be." "It's

Ab
Ab7
Db
B7

38 39 40 41

swee - ping at six and it's dus - ting at se - ven; It's

Ab
B7
Ab

42 43 44 45

vic - tuals at eight and it's dish - es at nine. It's

Ab7
Db
B7

46 47 48 49

pot - ting and pan - ning from ten to e - le - ven; We

Ab Eb7 Ab

50 51 52 53

scarce break our fast till we plan how to dine." "Oh,

Ab C7 Fm G7

54 55 56 57 58 59

life is a toil_ and love is a trou-ble, And beau-ty will fade_ and

C Eb7 Ab Db

60 61 62 63 64

ri - ches will flee. Oh, plea - sures, they dwin - dle, and, pri - ces, they

Eb7 Ab Abm6 Bbm7 Eb7 Ab

65 66 67 68 69

dou - ble, And no - thing is as I could wish it to be." "There's

Ab Ab7 Db Eb7

70 71 72 73

too much of wor - ri - ment goes in a bon - net; There's

Ab Eb7 Ab

74 75 76 77

too much of i - ron - ing goes in a shirt. There's

Ab7 Db Eb7

78 79 80 81

no - thing that pays for the time you waste on it; There's

Ab Eb7 Ab

82 83 84 85

no - thing that lasts us but trou - ble and dirt." "Oh,

Ab C7 Fm G7

86 87 88 89 90 91

life is a toil— and love is a trou-ble, And beau-ty will fade— and

C Eb7 Ab Db

92 93 94 95 96

ri - ches will flee. Oh, plea - sures, they dwin - dle, and, pri - ces, they

Eb7 Ab Abm6 Bbm7 Eb7 Ab

97 98 99 100 101

dou - ble, And no - thing is as I could wish it to be." "In

Ab Ab7 Db Eb7

102 103 104 105

March, it is mud; it is snow in De - cem - ber; The

Ab Eb7 Ab

106 107 108 109

mid - sum - mer bree - zes are loa - ded with dust. In

Ab7 Db Eb7

110 111 112 113

fall, the leaves lit - ter; in rain - y Sep - tem - ber, The

Ab Eb7 Ab

114 115 116 117

wall - pa - per rots and the can - dle - sticks rust." "Oh,

Ab C7 Fm G7

118 119 120 121 122 123

life is a toil— and love is a trou - ble, And beau - ty will fade— and

C B7 Ab Db

124 125 126 127 128

ri - ches will flee. Oh, plea - sures, they dwin - dle, and, pri - ces, they

B7 Ab Abm6 Bbm7 B7 Ab

129 130 131 132 133

dou - ble, And no - thing is as I could wish it to be." "Last

Ab Ab7 Db B7

134 135 136 137

night in my dreams, I was sta - tioned for - e - ver On a

Ab B7 Ab

138 139 140 141

far lit - tle isle in the midst of the sea. My

142 Ab7 Db Eb7

143 144 145

one chance for life was a cease - less en - dea - vor To

Ab Eb7 Ab

146 147 148 149

sweep off the waves ere they swept o - ver me." "Oh,

Ab C7 Fm G7

150 151 152 153 154 155

life is a toil— and love is a trou - ble, And beau - ty will fade— and

C Eb7 Ab Db

156 157 158 159 160

ri - ches will flee. Oh, plea - sures, they dwin - dle, and, pri - ces, they

B7 Ab Abm6 Bbm7 B7 Ab
 161 162 163 164 165
 dou - ble, And no - thing is as I could wish it to be." "A -

Ab Ab7 Db B7 Ab
 166 167 168 169 170
 las, 'twas no dream, for a - head I be - hold it; I know I am

B7 Ab Ab7
 171 172 173 174 175
 help - less my fate to a - vert." She put down her broom and her

Db B7 Ab B7 Ab
 176 177 178 179 180 181 182
 a - pron she fold - ed, Then lay down and died and was bu - ried in dirt..

Life Is a Toil - Acoustic Guitar

This sheet music is for an acoustic guitar piece titled "Life Is a Toil". It is written in the key of A-flat major (two flats) and 3/4 time. The score consists of eight staves of music, each with a corresponding chord chart above it. The chords are: Ab, Ab7, Db, Eb7, Eb7, Ab, Ab7, Db, Eb7, Ab, Eb7, Ab, Ab7, Db, Eb7, Ab, Eb7, Ab, Ab7, C7, Fm, G7, C, Eb7, Ab, Db, Eb7, Ab, Abm6, Bbm7, Eb7, Ab, Ab7, Db, Eb7, Ab, Eb7, Ab, Ab7, Db, Eb7, Ab, Eb7, Ab, Ab7, C7, Fm, G7, C, Eb7.

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Ab Db Eb7 Ab Abm6 Bbm7 Eb7 Ab

Ab Ab7 Db Eb7 Ab Eb7 Ab

Ab7 Db Eb7 Ab Eb7 Ab

Ab C7 Fm G7 C Eb7

Ab Db Eb7 Ab Abm6 Bbm7 Eb7 Ab

Ab Ab7 Db Eb7 Ab Eb7 Ab

Ab7 Db Eb7 Ab Eb7 Ab

Ab C7 Fm G7 C Eb7

Ab Db Eb7 Ab Abm6 Bbm7 Eb7 Ab

This page of sheet music for acoustic guitar contains seven staves of music. The chords and melodic lines are as follows:

- Staff 1:** Chords: Ab, Ab7, Db, Eb7, Ab, Eb7, Ab.
- Staff 2:** Chords: Ab7, Db, Eb7, Ab, Eb7, Ab.
- Staff 3:** Chords: Ab, C7, Fm, G7, C, Eb7.
- Staff 4:** Chords: Ab, Db, Eb7, Ab, Abm6, Bbm7, Eb7, Ab.
- Staff 5:** Chords: Ab, Ab7, Db, Eb7, Ab, Eb7, Ab.
- Staff 6:** Chords: Ab7, Db, Eb7, Ab, Eb7.
- Staff 7:** Chord: Ab. Includes a triplet of eighth notes.