

Once Upon A December

(Dowager Empress, Young Anastasia)

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Music by Stephen Flaherty
Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens

CUE: (She opens the music box. **MUSIC IN.**)

Misterioso ♩ = 138

THE DOWAGER EMPRESS:

Our lullaby.

(Music box)

mp

(with pedal)

THE DOWAGER EMPRESS: (cont.)

When you play it, think of an old woman who loves you very, very much.

DOWAGER EMPRESS:

9 10 11 12

Far a - way, long a - go,

mp

13 14 15 16

glow - ing dim as an em - ber,

17 18 19 20

things my heart used to know,

21 22 23 24 rit.

things it yearns to re - mem - ber

A tempo**DOWAGER+ANASTASIA:**

25 *mp* 26 27 28 *poco rit.* 29 //

and a song some - one sings

A Tempo

30 once up - on a De - cem

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32 *poco ritard.*

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mp

poco ritard.

(The TSARINA enters and bows slightly to THE DOWAGER EMPRESS.)

Poco mosso

34 ber.

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poco mosso

THE TSARINA:

Have you said your prayers, my precious Anastasia?

ANASTASIA:

Yes, mama.

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THE TSARINA:

For your father, the Tsar; for your sisters and brother; for Russia herself.

ANASTASIA:

Yes, mama.

THE TSARINA:

What's this?

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