

# RULE BRITANNIA!

Words by James Thomson (1700-1748)

Music by Thomas Arne (1710-1778)  
arranged by Peter Lawson

**Allegro moderato**

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Piano *mf*

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**SOPRANO** *mf* Alternatively, the vocal part could be taken by a soloist (soprano, alto or tenor or bass), ornamenting ad lib

**ALTO** *mf*

**MALE VOICES** *mf*

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a - zure main, ty - rants fall, A - rose, a - rose, a - rose from out the a - zure main. Must in, must in, must in their turn to ty - rants fall;

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This was the char-ter, the char-ter of the land, And  
While thou shalt flour-ish, shalt flour-ish great and free, The

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guardian an-gels sing this strain: } "Rule, Bri-tan-nia! Bri-tan-nia rule the waves;  
dread and en-vy of them all. } *ff*

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*f*

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3. Still more ma - jes - tic shalt thou rise, More

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*f*

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dread - - ful from each fo - reign stroke; More dread-ful, dread-ful,  
dread - - ful from each fo - reign stroke; More dread-ful, dread-ful,  
dread - - ful from each fo - reign stroke; More dread-ful,  
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dread - ful\_ fi\_ n\_ ac\_ i\_ e\_ for - eign\_ stroke;  
dread - ful\_ from\_ each\_ for - eign\_ stroke;  
dread - ful\_ from\_ each\_ for - eign\_ stroke;  
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As the loud blast, the blast that tears the skies, Serves, serves but to root thy

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na - tive oak. "Rule, Bri - tan - nia! Bri - tan - nia rule the waves;

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Poco meno mosso, maestoso

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*fff*

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*fff*

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*allarg.*

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*gliss.*