

# THREE SCORE AND TEN

Toonsoort: C          Duur:

Voorspel:

Shantyman begint met het couplet.    Koor zingt het refrein na elk couplet.

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1.    *Me thinks I see a host of craft  
Spreading their sails alee  
As down the Humber they do steer  
Bound for the great North Sea  
Me thinks I see on each small craft  
A crew with hearts so brave  
They go to earn their daily bread  
Upon the restless waves.*

## **Refrein:**

**And it' s three score and ten  
Boys and men were lost from Grimsby town  
From Yarmouth down to Scarborough  
Many hundreds more were drowned  
Their herring craft and their trawlers  
Their fishing smacks as well  
Alone they fight that bitter night  
And battled with the swell**

2.    *Me thinks I see them yet again  
As they leave this land behind  
Casting their nets into the sea  
The herring shoals to find  
Me thinks I see them yet again  
And they're safe on board alright  
With their sails close reefed, their decks washed clean  
And the side lights burning bright.*
3.    *Me thinks I heard the captain say  
"Me lads we'll shorten sail"  
For the sky to all appearances  
Looks like an approaching gale  
Me thinks I see them yet again  
After midnight hour is past  
The little craft a battling there  
Against the icy blast.*
4.    *October' s night brought such a sight  
'Twas never seen before  
There were yards of masts and broken spars  
Washed up, upon the shore  
There was many a heart of sorrow  
There was many a heart so brave  
There was many a true and noble lad  
To find a watery grave.*