

# I'm Trying

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Moderato con express. VOICE

Rud-yard Kip-ling wrote a po-em and he  
called this po - em "If" and he said some things that rea - lly are worth while. He  
told us, when Mis-for-tune comes a - knock-ing at our door To always meet that la - dy with a  
smile. He points the way to Man-hood tho' the path is lined with thorns and he

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wrote it for a fel-low just like me I seem to hear him say - ing "Brace

up, don't loose your nerve For bet-ter days are com - ing, wait and see"

*rall.*

REFRAIN

So I'm try - ing, Mis - ter Kip - ling, Yes I'm try - ing migh - ty hard To

*a tempo*

be the man your po - em tells me to I'm look - ing for the sun - shine that is

*cresc.*

hid - ing neath the cloud I'm hop - ing that the sky will soon be blue — Though

luck is dead a - gainst me and all the world seems wrong I'm trust - ing in your teach - ing that

*rall.*

life is just a song And I'm try - ing oh you don't know how I'm try - ing Just to

*a tempo* *cresc.*

*a tempo* *f* *cresc.* *sfz* *mp*

be the man your po - em tells me to So I'm to —

1. 2.

*rall.* *mf*