



# The Tale of the Sad, Slow Worm

Poor Worm!



This beautiful melody tells the story of a slow worm who is very sad!

**Doloroso (sadly)**

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The musical score is written in 3/4 time, D minor, and consists of 15 measures. It includes dynamics such as *mp*, *cresc.*, *mf*, *f*, and *dim.*. The lyrics are: "What shall I do, I have dropped my black bag. The jewels that we stole I had (gulp) put in - side. It was picked up by some tra - vel - ling mu - si - cians on their way to dance and play. I fol - lowed them they're here out - side." The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, accents, and fingerings.

## Activities

- 1) **Clap** through with rhythm names: *slow-er and slow, slow-er and slow* etc.
- 2) **Sing** then **play** the **D harmonic minor** scale.
- 3) **Play** bars 14 and 15 before you start, to get used to the 'back, stretch' finger pattern.
- 4) **Try out** some vibrato on the minims and the dotted minim!
- 5) **Play** the whole piece with the dynamics.

