

# Resolution

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The image shows a musical score for the song 'Resolution'. It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 6/8. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The lyrics are: 'Know- ing we are weak you pass more laws-- -- -- Laws to make us slaves that's why we've sworn-- -- That from now on we these laws will just ig- nore and sim- ply stop be- ing sla- ves an- y more-- -- And al- though we know you'll turn to vio- le- nce no oth- er lang- uage do you un- der- sta- nd, we've de- ci- ded that it's on- ly com- mon sense to risk our lives and make a sta- nd.'

1. Knowing we are weak you pass more laws - laws to make us slaves that's why we've sworn  
That from now on we these laws will just ignore and simply stop being slaves any more.
2. And **ALTHOUGH** we know you'll turn to violence, no other language do you understand.  
We've decided that it's only common sense to risk our lives and make a stand.
3. Knowing that we'll go on being hungry, If we let you go on stealing what's our due  
We have realised that it's only window panes that separate the bread from us to keep for you.
4. Knowing there are houses standing empty, while you leave us homeless on the street  
We've decided that we're going to move in now, we're tired of having nowhere dry to sleep.
5. (Overleaf) Knowing that you'll never change the system, and provide us all with wages that are fair,  
So we will take over all the factories there will be quite enough for us when you're not there.
6. Knowing that there's coal there in abundance, while we huddle, shivering in the cold;  
We've decided that we'll go and help ourselves to keep the people warm both young and old.
7. Knowing that we cannot trust our rulers, Irrespective of the promises they preach  
We've decided that it's time to take control And make the world a place where all can live in peace.
8. In Erwägung: ihr hört auf Kanonen - And're Sprache könnt ihr nicht verstehen  
Müssen wir dan eben, ja, das wird sich lohnen, die Kanonen auf euch dreh'n!
9. And **BECAUSE** we know you'll turn to violence, No other language do you understand.  
We'll just have to turn the weapons on you - sorry - we must get the upper hand.

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