

# I'm but a stranger here, Heaven is my home

Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

Oak  
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The first system of musical notation consists of two staves, treble and bass clef, in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music begins with a repeat sign after four measures, followed by a measure with a fermata and a '5' above it, indicating a fifth measure. The piece concludes with a final cadence in the fifth measure.

The second system of musical notation continues from the first system, starting with a measure marked '10' above it. It concludes with a final cadence in the tenth measure.

**I'm but a stranger here, Heav'n is my home;  
Earth is a desert drear, Heav'n is my home.  
Danger and sorrow stand round me on every hand;  
Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home.**

**What though the tempest rage, Heav'n is my home;  
Short is my pilgrimage, Heav'n is my home;  
Time's cold and wild wintry blast soon shall be over past;  
I shall reach home at last, Heav'n is my home.**

**There at my Savior's side Heav'n is my home;  
I shall be glorified, Heav'n is my home.  
There are the good and blest, those I loved most and best;  
There, too, I soon shall rest, Heav'n is my home.**

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