

# Rock-A-Bye Baby

Tune D-F#-A/Key of A  
For diatonic dulcimer  
With expression

(1886)

Music and Lyrics:  
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1. Ba - by is sleep - ing so co - zy and fair, While  
2. Gran - ny sits knit - ting close by the fire - place, With  
3. Dear lit - tle ba - by, their joy and their pride, Long

moth - er sits near in her old oak - en chair, Her  
snow - y white hair and a smile on her face. The  
may he be with them what - ev - er be - tide, The

foot on the rock - er, the cra - dle she swings, And  
years have passed by, yet it does not seem long, Since she  
kit - chen, the cra - dle, that ten - der re - frain, In

though ba - by slum - bers, he hears what she sings.  
rocked ba - by's pa - pa, to sleep with this song.  
mem' - ry will lin - ger this lul - la - by strain.

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17 A C#m7 A E7

Chorus: Rock - a - bye ba - by, on the tree top,

21 E7 C#m Bm A

When the wind blows the cra - dle will rock,

25 A C#m7 A E7

When the bough breaks, the cra - dle will fall, and

29 A A Bm A

Down will come ba - by, cra - dle and all.