



**October**

**Joelle Wallach**

# October

O hushed October morning mild,  
 Thy leaves have ripened to the fall;  
 Tomorrow's wind, if it be wild,  
 Should waste them all.  
 The crows above the forest call;  
 Tomorrow they may form and go.  
 O hushed October morning mild,  
 Begin the hours of this day slow.  
 Make the day seem to us less brief.  
 Hearts not averse to being beguiled,  
 Beguile us in the way you know.  
 Release one leaf at break of day;  
 At noon release another leaf;  
 One from our trees, one far away.  
 Retard the sun with gentle mist;  
 Enchant the land with amethyst.  
 Slow, slow!  
 For the grapes' sake, if they were all,  
 Whose leaves already are burnt with frost,  
 Whose clustered fruit must else be lost—  
 For the grapes' sake along the wall.

Robert Frost

Joelle Wallach

Moderato ♩ = 124 *mp semplice*

Voice

O hushed Oc-to-ber mor -

Piano

Moderato ♩ = 124

*p* *poco*

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Voice

ning mild, Thy leaves have ri-pened to fall.

Pno.

6

Voice *mp*  
To - mor-row's wind, if it be wild,

Pno. *mp*

8

Voice  
Should waste them all.

Pno.

11

Voice *mp*  
The crows a - bove the for-est call; to-mor-row they\_\_ may

Pno.

14 *pp* *p*

Voice form and go. O, hushed Oc-to - ber morn-ing

Pno.

17 *poco f* *p* *poco*

Voice mild, be gin the hours of this day slow.\_\_\_\_

Pno.

20 *mp*

Voice Thy leaves have ri-pened to

Pno. *mp*

23

Voice

*p sotto voce*

fall. Make\_ the day\_ seem less brief, our

Pno.

*p*

25

Voice

hearts not a verse- to be-ing be- guiled

Pno.

*mp*

28

Voice

*mp*

Be guile\_ us, re-lease one leaf at day-break, a - no-ther at noon.

Pno.

*mf*

31

Voice

Piano

Slow, \_\_\_\_\_ Slow,

34

Voice

Piano

Slow, for\_ the grapes'\_\_\_\_\_ sake, For

37

Voice

Piano

\_\_\_\_\_ the grapes' sake a long the wall, the leaves al - rea -

39

Voice

dy burnt with frost, whose clus-ter'd fruit must

Pno.

41

Voice

else be lost. *p semplice* O hushed Oc-to-ber mor - ning

Pno.

44

Voice

mild, *mp* Thy leaves have ri-pened to fall,

Pno.

47 *mp*

Voice

have ri - - pen'd to fall,

Pno.

50 *p*

Voice

Oh, hush'd Oct o ber morn - ing mild.

Pno.

53

Voice

Pno.