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Or, Moonlight Before My Bed

Li Bai (701-762)--Tang Era Poet.

A poem sung quietly, almost whispered  
and repeated

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The musical score is written for Tenor and Baritone voices. It consists of four systems of music, each with a Tenor (T.) and Baritone (Bar.) part. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are in Chinese characters with pinyin. The score includes dynamic markings such as *pp* (pianissimo) and a rehearsal mark '8' at the beginning of each system.

**System 1:**  
Tenor: *pp* Chuang - qian, Chuang - qian ming - yue gua - ng, ming - yue  
Baritone: *pp* Chuang - qian, Chuang - qian ming - yue gua - ng

**System 2:**  
T. Yi shi, Yi shi, Yi shi di - shang shuang, Yi shi di - shang  
Bar. Yi shi di - shang shuang, Yi shi di - shang shuang

**System 3:**  
T. shua - ng, Ju - tou, ju - tou wang, wang, ming - yue Di - tou  
Bar. di - shang shua - ng, Ju - tou, ju - tou wang, ming - yue Di - tou

**System 4:**  
T. si, si gu - xiang - . Chuang-qian, chuang-qian, chuang-qian,  
Bar. si, si, si, si gu - xiang - . Chuang - qian -

16

T.   
 8 chuang-qian ming - yue guang, Yi shi di - shang

Bar.   
 , ming - yue guang, Yi shi, yi shi, yi shi, yi shi,

20

T.   
 8 shuang, Ju - tou wang ming -

Bar.   
 di - shang shuang, Ju - tou wang ming - yu - e Di - tou si, si, gu-xiang,

24

T.   
 8 yue Di - tou si

Bar.   
 gu - xiang, gu - xiang, Di - tou, di - tou, si, si, gu-xiang, si, si, gu-xiang,

28

T.   
 8 gu-xiang, gu-xiang, gu - xiang, gu-xiang

Bar.   
 Di - tou, Di - tou, Di - tou si, si, gu - xiang, gu - xiang, gu - xiang