

# Bow Tie

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3/4 ♩ = 76

*p*

8

15

Woman

*Smooth and controlled*  
*mp*

I would stand,

*p*

20

I would stand by the bed-room door\_\_\_\_\_

Dad/Father in law

*f* *Jerky and awkward*

trick-y those\_

24

I would stand, by the bed-room door and

dick - y bows to tie

*p*

29

watch him, and watch him I would stand at the door and see him

round your throat a bow - tie, a

33

strug-gl-ing. strug-gl-ing. I would stand, by the  
bow - tie, a tight lie, a tight lie

*cresc.*

37

bed room door and watch him, watch him, watch him,  
trick-y, trick-y,

41

watch him, watch him strug-gl-ing. strug-gl-ing with his  
trick-y those dick-y bows, to tie, to

45 *poco rit.* *a tempo* ♩ = 76

tie his tie.  
to tie.

*poco rit.* *a tempo* ♩ = 76

*p*

51

I would stand by the bed-room door and i - ma-gine, i -

55 *spit these words out* *subito p*

ma-gine posh folk in suits and frocks, talking too loud too  
fus-sy those bow ties to (ah!) fast-en

*struggles with knot*

59

loud. I would stand at the bed-room door and i  
*agitated, cross with his ham-fistedness*

O-ver and a-cross in a mir-ror wrong way round\_\_\_\_\_

63

ma-gine, i - ma - gine\_\_\_\_\_ voi - - - - -

*p*

68

- - ces - voi - ces strang led

face knit - ted con - cen - tra - ting veins like

72 *f*

in the clink-ing light of glass-es.

rips off tie, starts again

drain - pipes trick-y those dick-y bows to tie

76

to tie round your throat a bow tie a bow tie, a tight lie—

*p*

82 *mp*

*Regains composure*

I would stand, I would stand by the bed room door—

he succeeds in tying the bow tie, and is silenced by it

87

I would stand, and i - ma - gine, I would stand, and i -  
 neck wrapped in black punc - tu - a - tion, neck wrapped in

92

ma - gine, i - ma - gine a - ri - as, a - ri - as,  
 black punc - tu - a - tion, neck wrapped in black punc - tu -

97

*cresc.*  
 a - - (a) - - - - -  
 a - tion, neck wrapped in black punc - tu -

**molto rit.**

101

**ff**

(a) - - (a) - ri-as of bray-ing no-bo-dies,say-ing no-thing  
a - tion,

**molto rit.**

*colla voce*

104

**molto meno mosso**

**p**

loud ly! neck wrapped in black  
neck wrapped in black

**molto meno mosso**

**pp**

108

**rit.**

punc - tu - a - tion.  
punc - tu - a - tion.

**rit.**