

Five o'clock in the morning

Refrain:

It's five o'clock in the morning.
Time to get ready, we're sailing away.
It's five o'clock in the morning.
Time to get ready to sail.

1.

We rise in the morning, sail out on the tide.
Silently slip from the quay.
With the gulls overhead and the sails alongside.
Proudly we'll head out to sea.

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2.

We'll fish in the Minches, fair weather or foul.
Living our lives on the sea.
It's hard and it's rough and the pay's not enough.
Yet what other life can there be.

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3.

A trawler man's plight is to work day and night.
Grabbing our sleep in between
Casting their nets out and hauling them in.
Sometimes not a fish to be seen.

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4.

We'll be cold tired and hungry and drenched to the skin.
When we head back to Scareway town.
With our catch on the land, then we'll take a good dram
In the Clock and the Lilies, or Crown.

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