A Leaf Must Fall

Mary Hopkin

If you must go, go now
Before the summer fades
Before the geese have flown
Before the rivers rise
Or would you take my heart?
Would you take my mind?

And if they ask where you are Or say that you have flown Before you died of cold And while your wings are strong And that I love you still And that all would fade.

And as you fly away You'll think no more of me For autumn hangs the tears For summer's falling leaves And that is how it was And how it will be.