

# The Blood Brothers

## "Overture"

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Lyrics: Willy Russell  
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MRS JOHNSTONE  
TELL ME IT'S NOT TRUE  
SAY IT'S JUST A STORY

NARRATOR  
SO DID Y' HEAR THE STORY  
OF THE JOHNSTONE TWINS?  
AS LIKE EACH OTHER AS TWO NEW PINS  
OF ONE WOMB BORN, ON THE SELF SAME DAY,  
HOW ONE WAS KEPT AND ONE GIVEN AWAY?  
AN' DID YOU NEVER HEAR HOW THE JOHNSTONES DIED,  
NEVER KNOWING THAT THEY SHARED ONE NAME,  
TILL THE DAY THEY DIED, WHEN A MOTHER CRIED  
MY OWN DEAR SONS LIE SLAIN.

AN DID Y' NEVER HEAR OF THE MOTHER SO CRUEL,  
THERE'S A STONE IN PLACE OF HER HEART?  
THEN BRING HER ON AND COME JUDGE FOR  
YOURSELVES  
HOW SHE CAME TO PLAY THIS PART.

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