

Can you ...*hear*... the drums, Fernando?  
 I ..... long ago another starry night like this  
 In the ....., Fernando  
 You were humming to yourself and softly strumming your guitar

I could hear the distant .....  
 And ..... of bugle calls were coming from afar  
 They were ..... now, Fernando  
 Every hour, ..... minute, seemed to last eternally  
 ....., Fernando  
 We were young and full of life and none of us prepared to die

And I'm not ashamed .....  
 The roar of guns and cannons ..... made me cry  
 There was something ..... that night  
 The ..... were bright, Fernando  
 They were ..... there for you and me  
 For ....., Fernando  
 Though we never thought that .....  
 There's no regret

If I had to do .....  
 I would, my friend, Fernando  
 If I had to do the same again  
 ....., my friend, Fernando  
 Now we're old and grey, Fernando  
 For many years I haven't seen a rifle .....

Can you hear the drums, Fernando?  
 Do you still recall the fateful night we ..... the Rio Grande?  
 I can see it in your .....  
 How proud you were ..... in this land  
 There was something in the air that night  
 The stars were bright, Fernando  
 ..... shining there for you and me  
 For liberty, Fernando

Though we never ..... that we could lose  
 There's no regret  
 ..... the same again  
 I would, my friend, Fernando  
 There was something in the air that night  
 The stars were ....., Fernando  
 They were shining there for you and me  
 For ....., Fernando  
 Though we never thought that we could lose  
 There's no .....  
 If I had to do the same again  
 I would, my friend, Fernando  
 Yes, if I had to do the same .....  
 I would, my friend, Fernando

**The Mexican Revolution of 1910 began when a small force of revolutionaries crossed the Rio Grande (pronounced: `graend), from Texas to Mexico.**

**Two rebel veterans in old age remember a long ago battle in which they took part. The two old freedom-fighters from the war between Texas and Mexico are sitting outside at night around a campfire. The woman is recalling old memories while the man is playing the guitar.**



**starry night:** a night sky full of stars  
**to hum:** make a sound like a bee  
**to strum:** play an instrument carelessly  
**bugle:** small trumpet  
**eternal:** without beginning or end  
**to prepare:** make ready  
**to be ashamed:** feeling shame  
**roar:** sound as of a lion  
**regret:** disappointment  
**rifle:** gun  
**to recall:** remember  
**fateful:** controlled by