

To remind himself and the reader that the rebels are genuinely dead and cannot return, he rejects that notion. Then he considers if their demise could have been avoidable. Despite the nationalists' hatred of the British, Britain may have adhered to its pledge to deliver Ireland Home Rule. Yet again, the speaker thinks it is neither his nor the audience's responsibility to provide a response. The fact that the rebels died in pursuit of this purpose alone is enough to accord them honour and deference; they don't even need to know whether the rebels were successful in achieving their objective. The speaker can't help but question whether their intense dedication to their aim may have caused them to make poor decisions. But once more, he steps back from that conjecture to think about the rebels who have passed away. He names some of the most significant figures in the Rising, including MacDonagh, MacBride, Connolly, and Pearse. He declares that these rebels will be celebrated for the remainder of Ireland's existence whenever the Irish get together to celebrate their nation, their identities having been radically altered from those of regular people. Although the incident was extremely devastating, it also contributed to significant transformation.