

The Sound of Silence

Paul Simon

B♭ Trumpet

Dm - Trumpet Lead (Em)

♩ = 100



f

Hel-lo dark-ness my old friend, I've come to talk with you a-gain.



Be-cause a vi-sion soft-ly creep-ing left its seeds while I was sleep-ing.

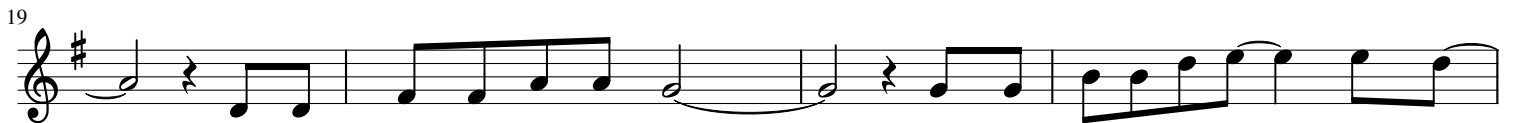


And the vi-sion that was plant-ed in my brain still re - mains

Verse 2



with-in the sound of si-lence. In rest-less dreams I walked a-lone,



nar-row streets of cob-ble stone. 'Neath the ha-lo of a street lamp,



I turned my col-lar to the cold and damp. When my



eyes were stabbed by the flash of a ne-on light that split the night

Keyboard Solo



and touched the sound of si-lence.

Vocal - Verse 4

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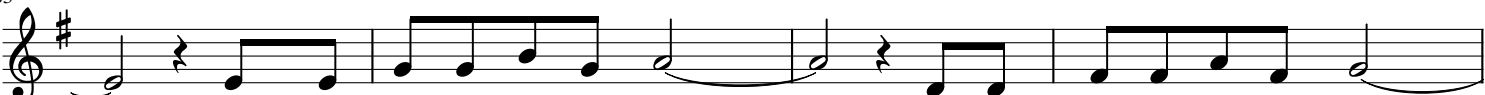
41  And in the na - ked light I saw


50  ten thou - sand peo - ple may - be more. Peo - ple talk - ing with - out speak - ing,

54  peo - ple hear - ing with - out list - 'ning, peo - ple writ - ing songs that

58  voi - ces ne - ver share. And no - one dared dis - turb the sound of si - lence.


Verse 5

63  "Fools," said I, "you do not know si - lence, like a can - cer, grows.

67  Hear my words, that I might teach you. Take my

70  arms, that I might reach you." But my words, like si - lent rain - drops, fell.

Verse 6

75  And ech - oed in the wells of si - lence. And the

79  peo - ple bowed and prayed to the ne - on god they made. And the

83



sign flashed out its warn-ing in the words that it was form-ing. And the

Detailed description: This block contains the first line of musical notation, measures 83 through 86. It is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are: "sign flashed out its warn-ing in the words that it was form-ing. And the".

87



sign said, "the words of the pro-phets are writ-ten on the sub-way walls

Detailed description: This block contains the second line of musical notation, measures 87 through 90. It continues on the same treble clef staff and key signature. The melody features quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: "sign said, 'the words of the pro-phets are writ-ten on the sub-way walls".

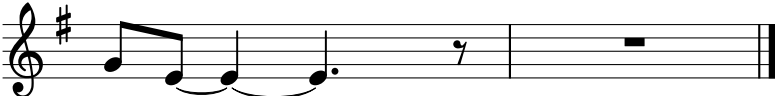
90



and ten-e-ment halls *f*and whis-pered **rit.** in the sounds sounds of

Detailed description: This block contains the third line of musical notation, measures 91 through 93. It continues on the same treble clef staff and key signature. The melody includes quarter, eighth, and half notes. A dynamic marking of *f* (forte) is placed under the word "and", and a tempo marking of **rit.** (ritardando) is placed above the word "and". The lyrics are: "and ten-e-ment halls *f*and whis-pered **rit.** in the sounds sounds of".

94



si-lence."

Detailed description: This block contains the fourth and final line of musical notation, measure 94. It continues on the same treble clef staff and key signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: "si-lence.".