

OBLIVION

A CHAMBER OPERA IN ONE ACT

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Prologue

[A message outside of both time and space.]

senza misura

The musical score consists of four systems of music, each with two staves. The first system starts with a vocal line for 'Howard' in bass clef, followed by a vocal line for 'Bowl 1' in treble clef. Both parts are marked 'senza misura' and 'mf'. The lyrics for 'Howard' are 'When the'. The second system starts with a vocal line for 'Hw.' in bass clef, followed by a vocal line for 'B. 1' in treble clef. The lyrics for 'Hw.' are 'last days were up - on me, and the ug - ly tri - fles dampen'. The third system starts with a vocal line for 'Hw.' in bass clef, followed by a vocal line for 'B. 1' in treble clef. The lyrics for 'Hw.' are 'of ex - ist - ence be - gan to drive me to'. The fourth system continues the vocal lines from the previous system.

Howard senza misura When the

Bowl 1 senza misura (l.v.) 4" 4" 4"

Hw. last days were up - on me, and the ug - ly tri - fles dampen

B. 1

Hw. of ex - ist - ence be - gan to drive me to

B. 1

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Hw.

mad - - - ness I loved the ir - ra - date ref - ue of sleep.

B. 1

niente *mf*

Hw.

In my dreams I found a lit - tle of the beau - ty I had vain - ly sought in

B. 1

(o)

Hw.

life,
(l.v.) and wan - der'd through old gar - dens and en - chant - ed
dampen

B. 1

attacca 1a: First Dream
riten. 

attacca 1a: First Dream

Scene 1a: First Dream

Sailing Under Strange Stars

[July. HOWARD's dream, aboard a small ship sailing southward amid the gentle sound of waves. A dazzling array of unfamiliar constellations appears above and around everything. We remain here for what seems like a long time.]

A

Sg. 1 *senza misura* *mf* V (evenly) 2" 2"

Dream-ing, when Dawn's Left Hand was in the sky... Ooh...

Sg. 2 *senza misura* *mf* V (evenly) 2" 2"

Dream-ing, when Dawn's Left Hand was in the sky... Ooh...

Sg. 3 *senza misura* *mf* V (evenly) 2" 2"

Dream-ing, when Dawn's Left Hand was in the sky... Ooh...

Hw. *senza misura*

woods.

B. 1 *senza misura* *mf*

B [The gentle sound of waves]

Sg. 1 *alla misura* $\text{♩} = 60$ *p*

ooh... (etc.)

Sg. 2 *alla misura* $\text{♩} = 60$ *p*

ooh... (etc.)

Sg. 3 *alla misura* $\text{♩} = 60$ *p*

ooh... (etc.)

B. 1

Scene 1a: First Dream

5

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 1

Once when the wind was soft and scent - ed

p

9

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 1

I heard the south call - ing, and sailed

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Scene 1a: First Dream

5

12

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 1

end - less - ly

and lan - guor - - - -

15

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 1

repeat as needed
cresc. last time only

repeat as needed
cresc. last time only

repeat as needed
cresc. last time only

ooh...
sing last time only

ous - ly

un - der

||: 6 ||

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Scene 1a: First Dream

C

18 **mf** close to "m"
Sg. 1 Stra - - - nge (mmm).
18 **mf** close to "m"
Sg. 2 Stra - - - nge (mmm).
18 **mf** close to "m"
Sg. 3 Stra - - - nge (mmm).
alla misura ♩ = 60
Hw. Ooh... (etc.)
B. 1 strange stars.
alla misura ♩ = 60
dampen suddenly

repeat until **D**

22 repeat until **D**
Sg. 1 — (etc.)
23 senza misura
Sg. 2 repeat until **D**
23 It's a strange courage, it's a strange
Sg. 3 repeat until **D**
23
B. 1 **p**

Scene 1a: First Dream

7

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

cour - age, it's a strange cour - age you give me an - cien^vt

Sg. 3

B. 1

24 [D]

Sg. 1 (oooh...) (etc.)

alla misura $\text{d} = 60$

Sg. 2 star.

Sg. 3 (oooh...) (etc.)

B. 1

[As dawn eventually approaches the stars begin a gradual fade until a single bright star near the horizon is all that remains in the orange-pink pre-dawn.]

27 **senza misura**

Sg. 1 Shine a - lone in the sun - rise ,

Sg. 2 Shine a - lone in the sun - rise ,

Sg. 3 Shine a - lone in the sun - rise ,

B. 1

Scene 1a: First Dream

32

Sg. 1 toward which you lend no part!

Sg. 2 toward which you lend no part!

Sg. 3 toward which you lend no part!

B. 1

28 E **alla misura** $\text{♩} = 60$

Sg. 1 Ooh... ooh... (etc.)

Sg. 2 Ooh... ooh... (etc.)

Sg. 3 Ooh... ooh... (etc.)

B. 1

31 rit.

Sg. 1

31 rit.

Sg. 2

31 rit.

Sg. 3

31 rit.

B. 1

[The waves die out] [The faucet drips]

l.v. until silent

Scene 1b-1: Recitative

[The Bright residence. HOWARD, groggy, moves into the kitchen, where SONIA is preparing breakfast. The faucet is dripping.]

Faster $\text{♩} = 80$

mf

Sn.
Hw.
Fl.
Gtr.
Vlc.

Well, look who's up. Good morn-ing. How'd you sleep?

mf

mf

Flowing $\text{♩} = 60$

mf

Hw.
Fl.
Gtr.
Vlc.

I just had the strang-est dream. I was sail - ing, ____ and there were all these

pp

p

pp

Scene 1b-1: Recitative

9

Sn. Will you sit down?

Hw. strange stars. They were so bright. And not in their u - su-al plac-es in the

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

13

Sn. Does-n't sound so strange.

Hw. sky. It felt strange. Like I was there, sail - ing on that

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

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Scene 1b-1: Recitative

11

Sn. 17

Hw. 17 wa-ter — for - ev - - - er —

Fl. 17

Gtr. 17

Vlc. 17

Do you want some toast, How-ard?

This musical score excerpt shows five staves for Snare Drum (Sn.), Bassoon (Hw.), Flute (Fl.), Guitar (Gtr.), and Bassoon (Vlc.). The time signature is common time. Measure 17 begins with rests for the first three instruments. The Flute and Bassoon play eighth-note patterns. The guitar provides harmonic support with sustained chords. Measure 18 continues with eighth-note patterns from the Flute and Bassoon. Measure 19 shows the Bassoon playing eighth-note pairs over sustained notes from the other instruments. Measure 20 concludes with a question from the Bassoon.

21 [He notices the faucet dripping.]

Hw.

Fl. 21 Sure.

Gtr. 21

Vlc. 21 pizz.

mp 2

This musical score excerpt shows four staves for Bassoon (Hw.), Flute (Fl.), Guitar (Gtr.), and Bassoon (Vlc.). The time signature is common time. Measure 21 starts with a rest for the Bassoon, followed by eighth-note patterns from the Flute and Bassoon. Measure 22 begins with eighth-note patterns from the Flute and Bassoon. Measure 23 shows the Bassoon playing eighth-note pairs over sustained notes from the other instruments. Measure 24 concludes with eighth-note patterns from the Bassoon.

Scene 1b-1: Recitative

(teasing)

Sn. 25 - What? Weren't you going to get that

Hw. 25 Will you turn that off? The sink.

Gtr. 25

Vlc. 25

Sn. 30 fixed? The han-dle comes loose.

Hw. I'll get to it. I know it's

Gtr. 30

Vlc. 30

[She tightens the handle.]

Sn. 35 - Have you called an - y -

Hw. 35 loose. Just turn it off!

Gtr. 35 arco

Vlc. 35

Scene 1b-1: Recitative

13

39

Sn. one a - bout it?

39 Hw. I will fix it. *f* May-be next week-end. *mp*

39 Gtr.

[He notices the time.]

Faster $\text{♩} = 80$

43

Sn. You have an al-arm. *f*

43 Hw. Why did-n't you wake me up? It

43 Fl.

43 Gtr. You're al-ways turn-ing it off.

47

Sn. buzz-es so loud, and you let it go all morn - ing!

47 Hw. It's an a - larm clock, Son-ia. It's sup - posed to be loud! _____

47 Gtr.

Scene 1b-1: Recitative

51 **Freely** $\text{d} = 62$

Sn. Hw. A client is com-ing o-ver this af-ter-noon to look at

Fl. Gtr. mp

56 Sn. wed - ding ar-range-ments. I've got the gar - den al - most per-fect.

Fl. Gtr. p

Vlc. mp \bowtie pp

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Scene 1b-1: Recitative

15

Sn. 60 The cone-flow'rs came in just how I want them, and I'm still hold-ing out

Fl.

Gtr. 60

Sn. 64 hope for those ros-es this year! *mf*

Hw. 64 Is the toast ready?

Gtr. 64 *mf* pizz. *mp* arco

Vlc. 64 *mf* *mp*

Faster $\text{d} = 80$

Sn. 68 *f* Oh How-ard, great news! Phil-lip wrote this morn-ing. He and Ta-ra had been

Gtr. 68 *mf*

Scene 1b-1: Recitative

73

Sn. try-ing for months! Well, she is.

Hw. *f* They're preg - nant? — What do you know? — I'll get a

Gtr.

78

Sn. Or grand - daugh-ter.

Hw. grand-son — af - ter all! No, no. In my fam-ly, the

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. *pizz.*

78

83

Sn. They've been wait-ing for such a long time.

Hw. first one's al-ways a boy! — I've been tell-ing Phil-ip that for

Gtr.

Scene 1b-1: Recitative

17

87

Sn. Now How-ard, be nice!

Hw. years! Wait 'til I tell the guys. Oh God, the Ol-son case!

87

Fl.

87

Gtr.

87

Vlc.

[He quickly prepares to leave.]

92

Sn. f

Your break-fast-

Hw. Don't for -get to

Meet-ing at eight!

No time.

92

Fl. mp

92

Gtr. #

92 mf

Vlc.

Scene 1b-1: Recitative

96

Sn. call Doc - tor Greene's of - fice. They left an - oth - er mes - sage a - bout your

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

[He heads for the door. She grabs a plum and stands in front of the door.]

99

Sn. check - up. Some-thing a - bout more tests. Have Ei - leen do it to-day. And at

Hw.

Fl. I'll call to-morrow.

Gtr.

Vlc.

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Scene 1b-1: Recitative

19

[She stands in his way.]

Sn. 102 least bring some fruit.

Hw. 102 I'm not hun-gry. I'll get some-thing at the of - fice, al-

Fl. 102

Gtr. 102

Vlc. 102

mp

[He kisses her quickly
and reluctantly.][She moves away from the door.]
(sarcastically)

Sn. 106 *mf*

Hw. 106 Kiss? My prince. right? I'm late as it is!

Fl. 106

Gtr. 106

Vlc. 106

f Thank you!

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Scene 1b-1: Recitative

Broadly $\text{♩} = 60$

Hw. *mf*

Son-ia, this is the big one. *mf* 2 I close the Ol - son case, and we'll

Gtr.

Vlc.

Sn. *mf*

Then go close that

Hw. both go sail - - - - ing be-fore the year is out. *mf* 2

Gtr.

Vlc.

attacca 1b: The Plumtree

[He kisses her again -
an apology.] [HOWARD exits quickly.
SONIA remains a moment.]

121
Sn. case.
121 Hw. Bye, How - ard.
121 See you to - night.
121 Fl.
121 Gtr.
121 Vlc.

riten.

Love you.
Bye. Love you.

attacca 1b: The Plumtree

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Scene 1b-2: The Plumtree

text derived from "The Widow's Lament in Springtime"
by William Carlos Williams

[SONIA moves outside, admiring and adjusting the garden.]

Freely $\dot{\underline{\underline{d}}}=62$

Sn. Fl. Gtr. Vlc.

Sn. Gtr.

The plum - tree _____ is ripe _____ to - day. ____

7

Sn. Gtr.

The plum - tree _____ is ripe to - day.

10

Sn. Gtr.

The plum - tree _____ is ripe to - day

13

Sn. Gtr.

with fruit for the pick - ing. _____ Fruit for the

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Scene 1b-2: The Plumtree

Sn. 16 pick-ing loads ____ the cher-ry branch - es and col-ors

Gtr. 16 *ff*

Sn. 19 some bush-es yel-low ____ and some ____ red.

Fl. 19 *mf*

Gtr. 19 *f*

Sn. 22 The cone - flow'rs ____ will bloom ____ to-day. ____

Fl. 22 *mp*

Gtr. 22 *mf*

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25

Sn. The cone - flow'rs ____ will bloom ____ to - day. ____

Fl. *mf*

Gtr.

28

Sn. *f* — The — cone — flow'rs will bloom ____ to - day. ____

Fl.

Gtr. *f*

31

Sn. un-fold - ing ____ their pet - als, ____ un - fold - ing ____ their

Fl.

Gtr. *mf*

Scene 1b-2: The Plumtree

poco rubato
34 Sn. *sub. p* *a tempo* *mf*
pet-als, si - lent - ly ex - pand - ing to lend a

34 Fl. *p*

34 Gtr. *sub. p* *mf*

37 Sn. new, sub - tle pro - file to what's be -

37 Fl.

37 Gtr. *mp*

39 Sn. hind.

39 Fl. *mf*

39 Gtr. *f*

Scene 1b-2: The Plumtree

27

Sn. 41 *mp*
 Sn. 41
 Fl. 41
 Gtr. 41
 Vlc. 41 *mf*

Con-tour and con-trast,
 col - or and form coll-ide.

sul pont.

Sn. 43
 Sn. 43
 Fl. 43
 Vlc. 43

Patt - erns a - rise be - fore me _____ I de - cide: _____

Sn. 45
 Sn. 45
 Fl. 45
 Gtr. 45
 Vlc. 45

No. No. Yes, and no. _____

Scene 1b-2: The Plumtree

Fl. 47

Gtr. 47

Vlc. 47

Sn. 50

Fl. 50

Gtr. 50

Vlc. 50

Sn. 53

Gtr. 53

Vlc. 53

normale

mf

The gar - den looks young to - day.

sul tasto

mf

Sn. 56 *f*
 The gar - den looks young to - day

Fl. 56 *mf*
p

Gtr. 56 *f*
p

Vlc. 56 *sul tasto* *mf* *p*

Sn. 59 with grow-ing po - ten-tial. Grow - ing po-

Fl. 59 *mf*

Gtr. 59 *sul pont.*

Vlc. 59 > *mf* *p* *f*

Scene 1b-2: The Plumtree

Sn. *f* *molto rubato* *a tempo* *mf*
 ten-tial, hold - ing for the mo - ment, de-ter-mines

Fl.

Gtr. *f* *mf*

Vlc. normale *p* *mf*

Sn. which plants will blos-som. this sea - - - son.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. sul tasto *f*

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Scene 1b-2: The Plumtree

31

Sn. 68

Fl. 68 *mp*

Gtr. 68 *mf*

Vlc. *mp*

Sn. 71 (s)

Gtr. free. What re-mains is a vague out-line of me and my

Sn. 71

Gtr.

Sn. 74 *molto rubato* rest-less de-sire to im-pose my-self grand

Gtr. *f*

Scene 1b-2: The Plumtree

a tempo

77 Sn. - ly on the world! _____

77 Fl. ff

77 Gtr. ff

77 Vlc. ff

(humming)

80 Sn. Yes. Yes. And yes. _____ Hmm...

Fl. mf

Gtr. mf

Vlc. mf sul tasto

Scene 1b-2: The Plumtree

33

Sn. *mf*

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. *normale* *mf*

The

Sn. *poco rubato* *a tempo*

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

plum - - - tree is white.

[Pleased, SONIA stands back to view the totality of her work.]

poco rit.

Fl. *< mp* *pp*

Gtr.

Scene 2a: Second Dream

Underground River Barge

[Three months later, October. HOWARD's dream, aboard a modest river barge drifting lazily through a dark and spacious underground cavern. A dim purple light dots the far end of the tunnel, which gradually grows nearer and brighter with time. Water droplets from the cavern's ceiling imitate a gentle rain.]

F

Sg. 1 senza misura *mf* V , *mp* ,

Dream-ing, when Dawn's left Hand was in the Sky... Oh...

Sg. 2 senza misura *mf* V , *mp* ,

Dream-ing, when Dawn's left Hand was in the Sky... Oh...

Sg. 3 senza misura *mf* V (') , *mp* ,

Dream-ing, when Dawn's left Hand was in the Sky... Oh...

B. 1 senza misura

B. 2 *mf*

Sg. 1 *pp* *f* *pp* V (stagger breaths) , ,

(etc.)

Sg. 2 *pp* *mf* *pp* V , ,

(etc.)

Sg. 3 *pp* *mf* *pp* V , ,

(etc.)

Hw. *mf*

Once when the gen - tle rain fell

B. 2

H (stagger)

Sg. 1 *mf* *pp* V (stagger)

Sg. 2 *mf* *pp* V

Sg. 3 *f* *pp* V

Hw.

B. 2

I glid - ed in a barge

Sg. 1 , , *mf* *pp* V

Sg. 2 , , *f* *pp* V

Sg. 3 , , *mf* *pp* V

Hw.

B. 2

down a sun - less stream un-der the earth

Scene 2a: Second Dream

I
(stagger)

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 2

till I reached an - oth - er world of pur - ple twi - light,

mf *pp* V I
(stagger)

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 2

ir - i - de - scent ar - bours,

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Sg. 1
Sg. 2
Sg. 3
Hw.
B. 2

and un - dy - ing ros - es.

[After some time, the barge exits the cavern and comes to rest in a secret world of subterranean twilight. In the distance, rows of trees emit a soft electric glow. The meandering path ahead is lined with rose bushes in perpetual full bloom.]

Sg. 1
Sg. 2
Sg. 3
B. 2

4" K
And I _____ shall have some peace there,
Peace there,
Peace there,

mp *f* *mp*

mp *mf* *mp*

mp *mf* *mp*

mp *mp*

Scene 2a: Second Dream

Sg. 1 *mf* *mp*

drop slow, — glim — — —

Sg. 2 *mf* *mp* *f*

drop slow, — there mid — — — night's all a —

Sg. 3 *f* *mp* *mf*

8 for peace — comes drop-ping slow, — glim — — —

B. 2

Sg. 1 > *mp* *mf* *mp* ,

- mer, noon glow. — Oh. — — —

Sg. 2 > *mp* *mf* *mp* ,

glim-mer, noon glow. — Oh. — — —

Sg. 3 > *mp* *f* *mp* ,

8 - met, and noon — a pur-ple glow, — Oh. — — —

B. 2

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Scene 2a: Second Dream

39

L

Sg. 1

2"

4"

f poco a poco decresc.

And I shall have some peace there,

Sg. 2

f

And I shall have some peace there,

Sg. 3

f

And I shall have some peace there,

B. 1

2"

4"

mf

strike every 1-4 seconds, until rehearsal M

B. 2

2"

4"

f

Sg. 1

for peace comes drop - ping slow, — , there mid - night's all a - glim - mer,

Sg. 2

for peace comes drop - ping slow, — , there mid - night's all a - glim - mer,

Sg. 3

for peace comes drop - ping slow, — , there mid - night's all a - glim - mer,

B. 1

B. 2

Scene 2a: Second Dream

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

B. 1

B. 2

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

B. 1

B. 2

(dampen)

M

mp *p* *4"* *4"*

mp *p* *4"* *4"*

mp *p* *4"* *4"*

(dampen)

mp *p* *pp* *4"* *4"*

Scene 2b: Recitative

[The faucet is dripping. HOWARD watches it, annoyed. Frustrated, he attempts to turn it off while still in bed, but it is just out of reach. While he is awkwardly stretched out, The NURSE enters and turns on the lights. Embarrassed, HOWARD lies back down.]

Steady ♩ = 60 Repeat as needed

(last time only)

Good morn-ing! Good morn - ing, Mis-ter

Repeat as needed

pizz.

Bright. I told you not to leave that bed. What?

Will you turn it off, then? Listen.

mf

mf

mf

mf

Scene 2b: Recitative

[HOWARD indicates the sink. She pauses, finally hearing it drip. She tightens the handle, then returns to take his blood pressure.]

Faster $\text{♩} = 80$

f

Ns. 7

Hw. 7

Fl. 7

Gtr. 7

Vlc. 7

7

You're sup-posed to be rest

Can you hand me my pa-pers?

mp

arco

7

7

7

7

7

7

mf

ing.

And I need to take your vi-tals to-day. Sit up.

I'll rest when I'm dead. This deal closes on Fri-day.

Fl. 10

Vlc. 10

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13

Ns. — Is that for your work? You're a sales-man?

Hw. Yes. A busi-ness con-sul-tant. I help tech-

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

16

Ns. —

Hw. —

Breathe — nor - mal-ly. —

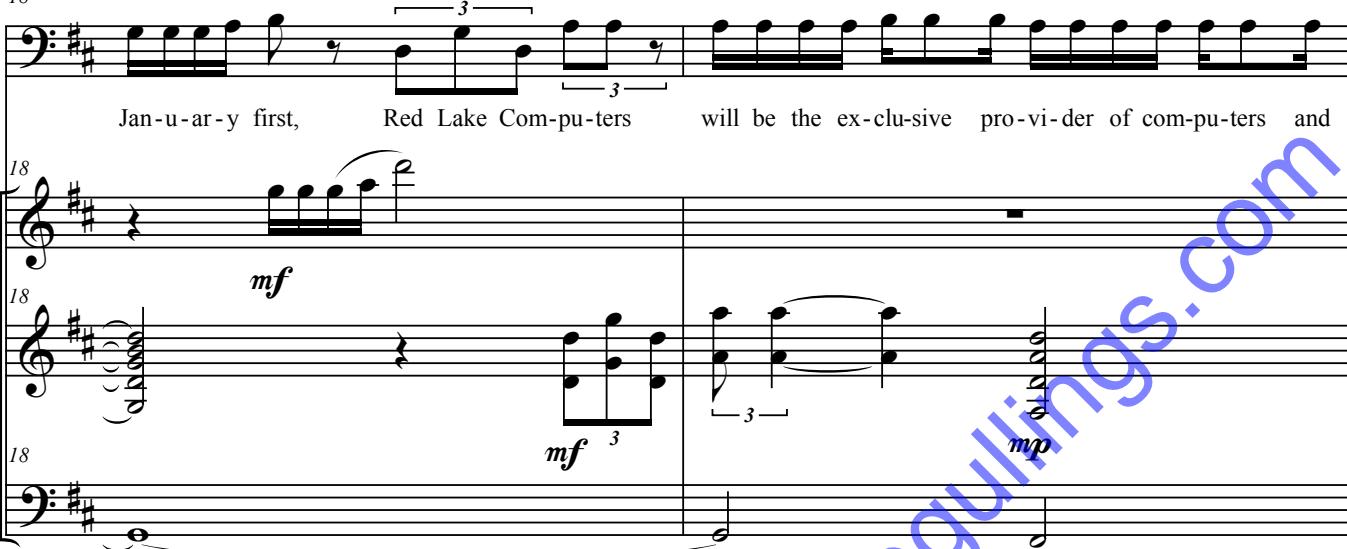
no - lo - gy firms se - cure deals with corp-orate cli - ents. — Start - ing

Gtr.

Vlc.

Scene 2b: Recitative

18

Hw. 

18

Fl.

18

Gtr.

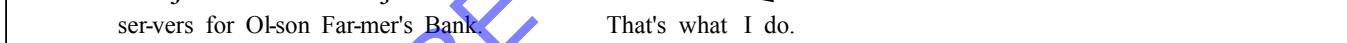
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Vlc.

20

Ns. 

20

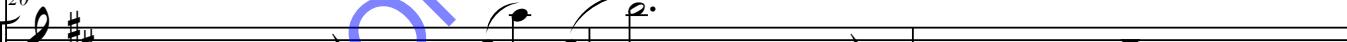
Hw. 

3 3

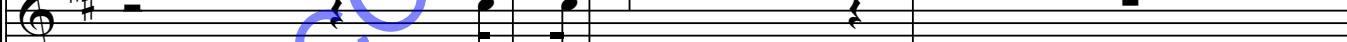
ser-vers for Ol-son Far-mer's Bank. That's what I do.

All you'll be do-ing to-day is eat-ing,

20

Fl. 

20

Gtr. 

20

Vlc. 

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[DR. GREENE enters.]

23
Ns. drink-ing, and rest - - - ing. Rest - - - - - ing.

23
Hw. Please, it's not — work. It's on - - - ly read-ing.

23
Fl.

23
Gtr.

23
Vlc. *mf*

26
Dr. *mf*
Mis-ter Bright, The lat-est round of tests just came back.

26
Hw. Will you tell her to give me those?

26
Fl.

26
Gtr.

26
Vlc. *mp*

Scene 2b: Recitative

Dr. 30 - It's not that sim-ple. This test was pos-i-tive. I'm ver-y sor-ry.

Hw. 30 When do I go home?

Gtr. 30

Vlc. 30

Dr. 34 3 3 I'm going to or-der a sec-ond test to ver-ti-fy -

Hw. 34 f In my line of work, we re-word re-sults, not guess-es!

Gtr. 34

Vlc. 34 f

37 *f*

Dr. ,
 This is no guess.

Hw. *ff*
 — Three damn months you've run your tests! I've been in and out of this place six

Fl. *mf*

Gtr. *mf*

Vlc. *mf*

40 *ff*

Hw. times, and all you have are guess-es. _____ Guess-es! _____

Fl. (9) *f* 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3

Gtr. *f*

Vlc. *f*

Scene 2b: Recitative

43 *mf*

Hw. 

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

43 *mf*

43 *pizz.*

46

Hw. 

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

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49

Dr. *f*

Hw. 49

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. 49

5

I know it's not what you
win-dow for ev'-ry week you keep me out of my of-fice!

p

arco

mp

[SONIA enters, holding an attractive,
homemade flower arrangement.]

52

Dr. *mf*

Fl.

Vlc.

want-ed to hear. Take some time, and I'll come by in a few min-utes — to dis-cuss our

mp

3

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[DR. GREENE and the NURSE exit.]

Sn. (Measures 55-56): Rests.

Dr. (Measure 55): Rests.

Hw. (Measures 55-56): "op-tions."

Fl. (Measures 55-56): Rests.

Gtr. (Measures 55-56): Rests.

Sn. (Measure 57): Rests.

Dr. (Measure 57): Rests.

Hw. (Measure 57): "I wish you would-n't make jokes."

Fl. (Measures 55-57): "How do you like my new a-part-ment?"

Gtr. (Measures 55-57): "mf l.v. 3"

[SONIA arranges the flowers.
HOWARD grows impatient.]

Sn. (Measures 58-59): Rests.

Hw. (Measures 58-59): "These are for you."

Fl. (Measures 58-59): Rests.

Gtr. (Measures 58-59): Rests.

Sn. (Measures 59-60): Rests.

Hw. (Measures 59-60): "It's af-ter noon.—
Good morn - ing to you, too."

Fl. (Measures 59-60): "3"

Gtr. (Measures 59-60): "3"

Sn. (Measures 61-62): Rests.

Hw. (Measures 61-62): Rests.

Fl. (Measures 61-62): Rests.

Gtr. (Measures 61-62): Rests.

Sn. (Measures 62-63): Rests.

Hw. (Measures 62-63): Rests.

Fl. (Measures 62-63): Rests.

Gtr. (Measures 62-63): Rests.

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Scene 2b: Recitative

51

Sn. 61 — How-ard, ____ what did the doc-tor say? ____

Hw. 61 Left o-ver from the wed-ding? She

Gtr. 61 —

Sn. 64 — What did she mean by op-tions?

Hw. 64 does-n't have a clue. Deciding whether I leave to-day or to-

Gtr. 64 —

Sn. 67 — And they're done with all their tests? ____

Hw. 67 morrow, I sup-pose. Will you come o-ver here? ____ Talk to me a-bout

Fl. 67 —

Gtr. 67 —

Vlc. 67 —

Scene 2b: Recitative

[SONIA sits near HOWARD.]

Sn. 70 *mp*
 Hw. 70 I did that wed-ding yes-ter-day.
 work.
 Gtr. 70 *mp*
 Vlc. 70 *p*

Gtr. 73

A guitar tablature showing a musical staff with six horizontal lines. The first three lines represent the bottom three strings (B, G, D) and the last three lines represent the top three strings (A, E, B). The tab shows a B major chord (B, D, F#) followed by a G major chord (G, B, D). The B major chord is indicated by a blue 'B' with a diagonal line through it. The G major chord is indicated by a blue 'G'.

Sn. 76

mov-ing my dis-plays and string-ing this gau-dy lace ev'-ry-where.
E - ven__ the cor-

79

Sn.

sage was a dis-as - ter! _____ Oth-er than that, bus'-ness is slow-ing down, ____

79

Fl.

79

Gtr.

79

Vlc.

p

82

Sn.

and the yard is done flow-er - ing. _____ It was a good _____ year,

l.v.

82

Gtr.

82

Vlc.

mf

mp

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Scene 2b: Recitative

85

Sn. ex - cept for our ros - es. *f* What? _____

85 Hw. Those ros - es! _____ And those e -

85 Fl.

85 Gtr.

85 Vlc. *mf* *pp*

sul tasto

[SONIA's cell phone rings.]

88 An - oth - er dream of yours?

88 Hw. lec - tric trees! _____ Ev' - ry - thing was lit up! _____

88 Fl.

88 Gtr.

88 Vlc.

3

[SONIA's cell phone rings.]

91 *mf*

Sn. It's Philip. I'd better see what he wants.

Hw. I've got a bet down at the of-fice.

Fl.

Gtr. $\frac{3}{8}$

Vlc. normale

[SONIA exits.] [DR. GREENE enters.]

94

Sn. I'll be right back.

Hw. Tell him to have a boy!

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

p

solo

p

mp

Scene 2b: Recitative

98 *mp*

Dr. Mis-ter Bright- *mp* I'm a-fraid so. But we have a lot of op - tions.

98 Hw. So, it's bad?

98 Gtr.

98 Vlc. *p* *appassionato* *mf*

102

Dr. I un-der-stand. It can be dif-fi-cult-

102 Hw. I'm sor-ry for what I said ear-li-er. _____ Do what

102 Gtr.

102 Vlc. *mp* *p* *mp*

106

Dr.

Hw.

Gtr.

Vlc.

You're
ev - er you need to do. Tell me our op-tions.
> *p*

110

Dr.

Hw.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

going to have to tell her ___ e - ven - tu - al - ly. ___ I know.

mp

5

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Scene 2b: Recitative

[DR. GREENE sits to detail the treatment options.

The focus shifts to the lobby, where SONIA is on the phone.]

113

mf

Sn. I will, Philip. Say hi to Ta-ra for us, and you two take

Fl.

Gtr. *mf*

[SONIA hangs up and returns to HOWARD's room]

118

Sn. care.

Fl. Love you.

Gtr.

Vlc. *mp*

p

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Scene 3a: Third Dream

Recurring Valley

[Three months later, January. HOWARD's dream, traversing a lush valley whose steep walls enclose its narrow path. The trees shine with a strange, dull-gold color. The scenery passes fluidly, as though HOWARD were floating just off the ground.]

senza misura

Sg. 1 *mf* V 4"

Dream - ing, when Dawn's Left Hand was in the Sky...

senza misura

Sg. 2 *mf* V 4"

Dream - ing, when Dawn's Left Hand was in the Sky...

senza misura

Sg. 3 *mf* V 4"

Dream - ing, when Dawn's Left Hand was in the Sky...

Hw.

senza misura

B. 1 *mf* 6" 4"

mf senza misura

B. 2 senza misura

B. 3 *mf*

Hw.

Once, when my ill-ness be-came se - vere, a re - cur-ring dream be-gan to per - vade my sleep.

B. 1

Scene 3a: Third Dream

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 1

In it, I walked through a gol - den val - ley that led to a shad - ow - y

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 1

Back with - in the val - ley, ,
Back with - in the val - ley, ,
Back with - in the val - ley,
grove.

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 1

down from the di - vide...

down from the di - vide...

down from the di - vide...

Man - y times I walked through that val - ley ,

[After a short journey, the path widens as the valley gives way to a dense grove of huge, twisted trees. The grey earth is breached occasionally by the buried, mold-stained remains of long-forgotten stone temples belonging to no identifiable religion.]

Hw.

B. 1

Hw.

B. 1

and lon-ger and lon-ger I would pause in the spec-tral half-light where the grey ground stretched damp-ly from

V

V

V

trunk to trunk, some - times dis - clos - ing the mold-stained stones of bur - ied temp - les. ,

Scene 3a: Third Dream

Hw.

And al-ways my goal was a might - y vine-grown wall with a lit - tle gate of bronze.
(l.v.) (dampen)

B. 1

B. 3 *mp*

[As the trees continue to pass by, an imposing stone wall green with ivy appears ahead and stretches endlessly to either side. Piercing this wall is a locked bronze gate, small and unadorned. This gate explicitly suggests the end goal of some long and arduous journey.]

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

There was a Door to which I found no Key.

There was a Door to which I found no Key.

There was a Door to which I found no Key.

Hw.

B. 2 *(l.v.) >*

B. 3

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Scene 3a: Third Dream

63

Hw.

B. 2

B. 3

Hw.

B. 2

B. 3

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 2

B. 3

As I looked up - on the gate, I felt that be-yond it lay a dream coun - try from which,
once it was en - tered, there would be no re - turn.
There was a Veil past which I could not see.
(l.v.)

Scene 3a: Third Dream

Hw. As my days of wak-ing be-came less and less bear-a - ble from the grey - ness and same-ness,

B. 2

B. 3

Hw. I would of - ten drift through these groves, and won-der how I might seize them
(dampen)

B. 2

B. 3

Hw. for my e - ter - - - - nal dwel - ling - place.

B. 3

Hw. So each night in sleep I strove ____ to find the hid-den latch in the gate in the i-vied wall.

B. 3

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Hw.

B. 3

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 2

B. 3

And I would tell my-self that the realm be-yond the gate was not more last-ing merely,

There was a Door to

There was a Door to

There was a Door to

but more love-ly and ra-dient as well.

(l.v.)

mf
(dampen)

Scene 3a: Third Dream

Sg. 1
which I found no Key. , There was a Veil past which I could not see. ,

Sg. 2
which I found no Key. , There was a Veil past which I could not see. ,

Sg. 3
which I found no Key. , There was a Veil past which I could not see.

B. 2
(l.v.)

Sg. 1
Some lit - tle Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd, and then, ,

Sg. 2
Some lit - tle Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd, and then, ,

Sg. 3
Some lit - tle Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd, and then,

B. 2
(l.v.)

attacca 3b: Recitative 1

Sg. 1
and then- 6"
Sg. 2
and then- 6"
Sg. 3
and then- 6"
B. 2
(l.v.) 6"
mf strike every 1-3 seconds
(l.v.) 6"
B. 3
mf

attacca 3b: Recitative 1

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Scene 3b-1: Recitative 1

[HOWARD's dream is interrupted by the sounds of the hospital room. The faucet is dripping. The NURSE is performing regular room maintenance. HOWARD is half-asleep.]

Steady ♩ = 60 repeat as needed (last time only)

Recitative ♩ = 60

The NURSE tightens the faucet. HOWARD awakes.]

Recitative ♩ = 60

[The NURSE tightens the faucet. HOWARD awakes.]

[She takes his vitals.]

6

Ns. *Near-ly din-ner time.* Dream-ing a-gain? Al - ways the same dream.

Hw. *time is it?* Yes. All that grey — earth lead-ing to a-

Gtr.

Vlc.

9 *mf*

Ns. You tell me al-most ev'-ry day. Please sit up. —

Hw.

Gtr.

What do you think it means?

11

Ns. You've got to help me out here, or this is going to take all night!

Hw. That huge wall — with the gate I can't get through?

11 *mp*

Fl. let ring — sim.

Gtr.

Scene 3b-1: Recitative 1

13 *mp*

Ns. Dreams ___ are just our brain's way ___ of turn-ing ran-dom neu-ron fir-ings in-to a sto-ry. ___

Gtr.

Vlc. *mp*

p

16 *r 3* *3*

Ns. — It does-n't mean an - y-thing. It's just a night - mare. ___

Hw.

mf *mp*

16 It's not a night - mare. ___ It's ver - y

Gtr.

Vlc.

18 *mf*

Ns. [The NURSE exits.] All done. Your son is here to vis-it.

Hw.

Fl. peace-ful.

Gtr. *mf*

Vlc. *mp* *f* *3*

[PHILIP enters with a small arrangement of flowers.]

Scene 3b-1: Recitative 1

71

Faster $\text{♩} = 80$

Ph. 21 *mp* Hey, Dad. — Mom sent these. She's get-ting read-y for her de-sign show to -

Hw. 21 *mp* Hey, Phil-ip.

Gtr. 21 VI

Vlc. 21

Ph. 23 night. How are you feeling? — 3 —

Hw. 23 Thanks. They're nice. Great. I'm a-sleep all the

Gtr. 23

Ph. 25 It's on-ly two drugs. **Slower** $\text{♩} = 60$

Hw. 25 time! They've got me on all kinds of drugs. I had that dream a-gain.

Fl. 25

Gtr. 25

Vlc. 25 *p* sul tasto *mp* *p*

Scene 3b-1: Recitative 1

28

Hw. Have you ev - er had ____ a re - cur-ring dream? ____ I know it's sil - ly, but I

28

Fl.

28

Gtr.

28

Vlc.

30

Hw. love walk - ing a - round ____ those twist - ed grey tree trunks ____ con-nect-ed ____ by

30

Fl.

30

Gtr.

30

Vlc.

33

Ph. *mf*

The nurse?

Hw. The nurse

33

grey earth. ____ I asked my nurse what she thought it might-

33

Gtr.

33

Vlc. normale

Faster $\text{♩} = 80$

Ph. 35 Hw.

does-n't want to hear a - bout your dreams. Can't we talk a - bout some-thing else? *3*

Fl. 35 Gtr. 35

mp

Ph. 37 Hw. 37

— *mf* —

Be cause it's on - ly a dream? Ran-dom fi - re - works, fi - re - works *3* go - ing *3*

Fl. 37 Gtr. 37

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Scene 3b-1: Recitative 1

Ph. 39 *f*
Hw. 39 Be-ease you're act-ing like it's some-thing more.
Fl.
Gtr.

Hw. 39 off in my brain? _____ Philip, I'm sick. I
Fl.
Gtr. 39 *p*

Hw. 42 *mp*
Gtr. 42 know the sur-ger-y did - n't catch ev' - ry - thing. The on - ly time I don't hurt is
Gtr. 42 *mp*

Hw. 44 rit. *mf*
Gtr. 44 when I'm dream-ing. _____ It's the on-ly time _____ I feel a - live.

Gtr. 44 *mf*

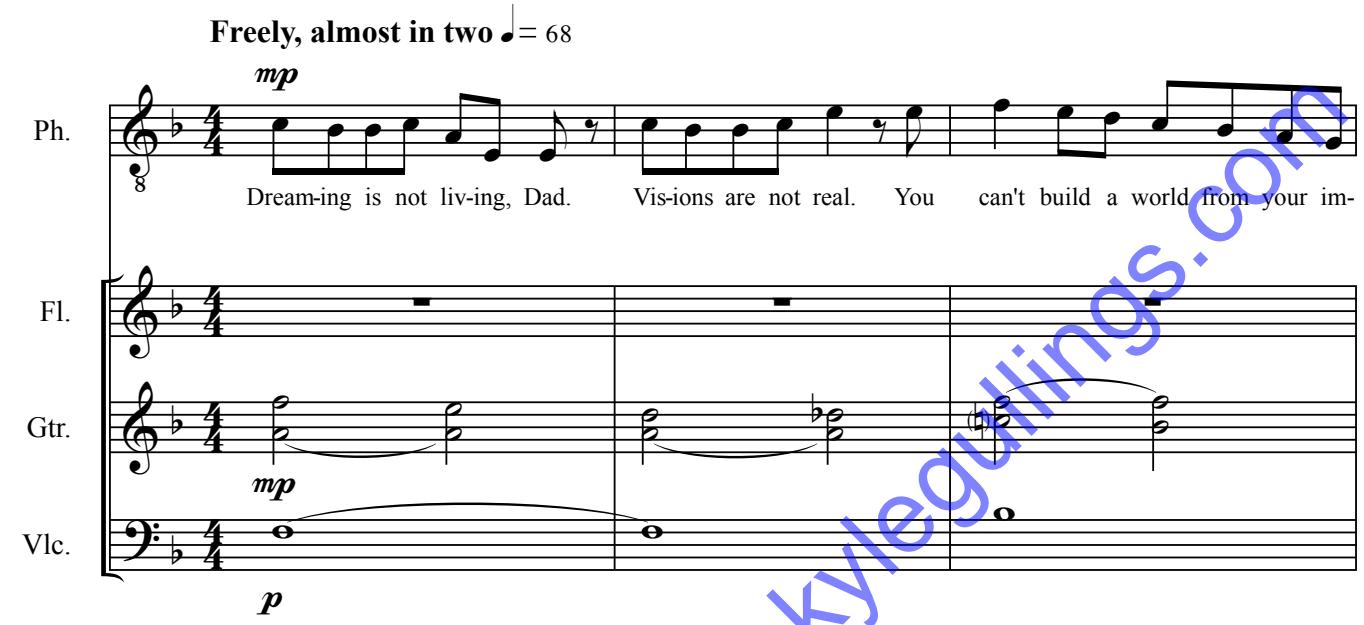
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attacca 3b: Dreaming Is Not Living

Scene 3b-2: Dreaming Is Not Living

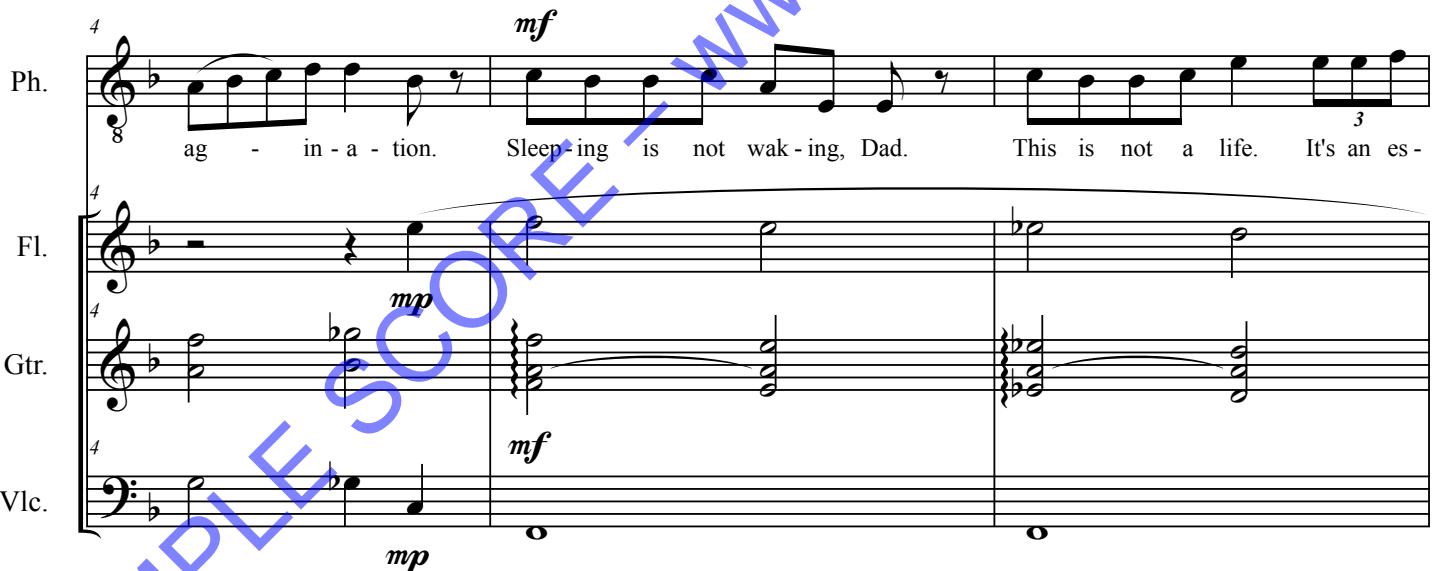
Freely, almost in two $\text{♩} = 68$

mp

Ph. 

Dream-ing is not liv-ing, Dad. Vis-ions are not real. You can't build a world from your im-

p

Ph. 

ag - in - a - tion. Sleep - ing is not wak - ing, Dad. This is not a life. It's an es -

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

mf

mp

mf

mp

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Scene 3b-2: Dreaming Is Not Living

7

Ph. 8 cape. Tell me, — what are you es - cap - - - ing

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

poco rit.

9

Ph. 8 from? You used to think of work, Dad, —

poco piu mosso, in time ♩ = 76

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

mf

pizz.

f

Ph. 8 hol-i-days — and grand-kids. You've got to think of Mom, and — of

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

15

Ph. 8 what it's like for her to see the man she's loved for-ty years con - tent _____ to fade in-to some _____

Fl.

Vlc.

15

18 rit. Ph. 8 vague, grey dream of om - i - nous sym-bols.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

18 f 3 arco mf

Tempo I - Freely ♩ = 68

21 mf

Ph. 8 Sit-ting in this mo-ment, Dad, we both can make a choice, as - sem - bling our selves from what we

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

21

Scene 3b-2: Dreaming Is Not Living

24 *poco rit.* *f* *a tempo*

Ph. see a-round us. There are no sec-ret val-leys, Dad, no grey-brown slabs of earth; there

Fl. *mf*

Gtr. *f*

Vlc. *appassionato* *f*

27 (9) *molto rubato*

Ph. are no gates of bronze that wait to take you to some name-less space- some for - got-ten life, — a-

Fl. *vibr.*

Gtr. *mf*

Vlc. *mf*

30 *riten.* (9) *mp* *a tempo* attacca 3b: Recitative 2

Ph. part from us. Dad, you used to think of us. —

Fl. *mp*

Gtr. *mp*

Vlc. *mp* *mp*

attacca 3b: Recitative 2

Scene 3b-3: Recitative 2

Recitative $\text{♩} = 60$

Ph. 8
Hw. mf

Fl. 4
Gtr. 4
Vlc. 4

Hw. 3
Gtr. 3

Hw. 5
Gtr. 5

Be-before this be-gan, ____ I want-ed mill-ion dol-lar con-tracts, an ear-ly re-tire-ment,
and all-in clusive ocean cruis-es. Late-ly, I want to eat real
food. I want to get out of bed by my-self. I want the pain to stop.

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Scene 3b-3: Recitative 2

7

Hw. Ev' - ry - thing I want fits nice - ly in-side my lit - tle room. Ev' - ry-thing ex -

Gtr.

Vlc.

9

Ph. mp

Hw. Mom and I want things, too.

Gtr. cept my dreams, _____ and that lit-tle bronze gate.

9

Gtr.

12

Ph. mf

Hw. Lives, ca-reers, and a fam' - ly. Right now, we want you health-y — so you can

12

Fl.

Gtr. mp

14

Ph. 3

Hw. come home — and en-joy it with us. We want you out of this lit - tle

14

Fl.

Gtr. p

14

Gtr. mp

16

Ph. room.
I think Mom would like to hear you say that.

Hw. *mp*
I know, Phil-ip. So do I.

Fl.

Gtr.

Faster $\text{♩} = 80$

19

Ph. *mf*
What's on the men-u to-night?

Hw. It's al-most din-ner time. Spa-ghet-ti, I think.

Gtr. *mf*

21

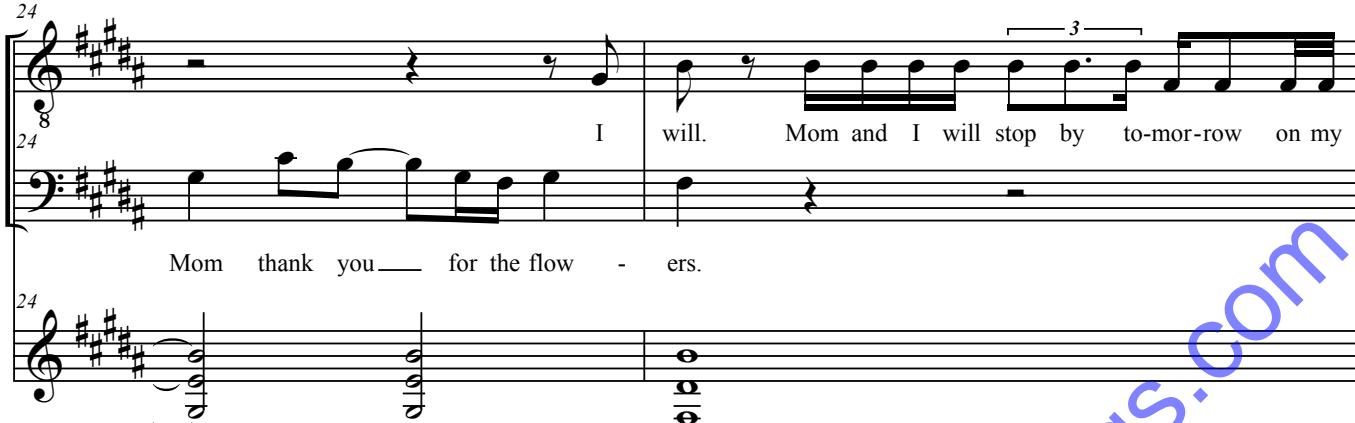
Ph. Red or green? Well, en-joy.

Hw. And prob'ly Jell-o. Who knows? It's al-ways a sur-prise! Tell

Gtr.

Scene 3b-3: Recitative 2

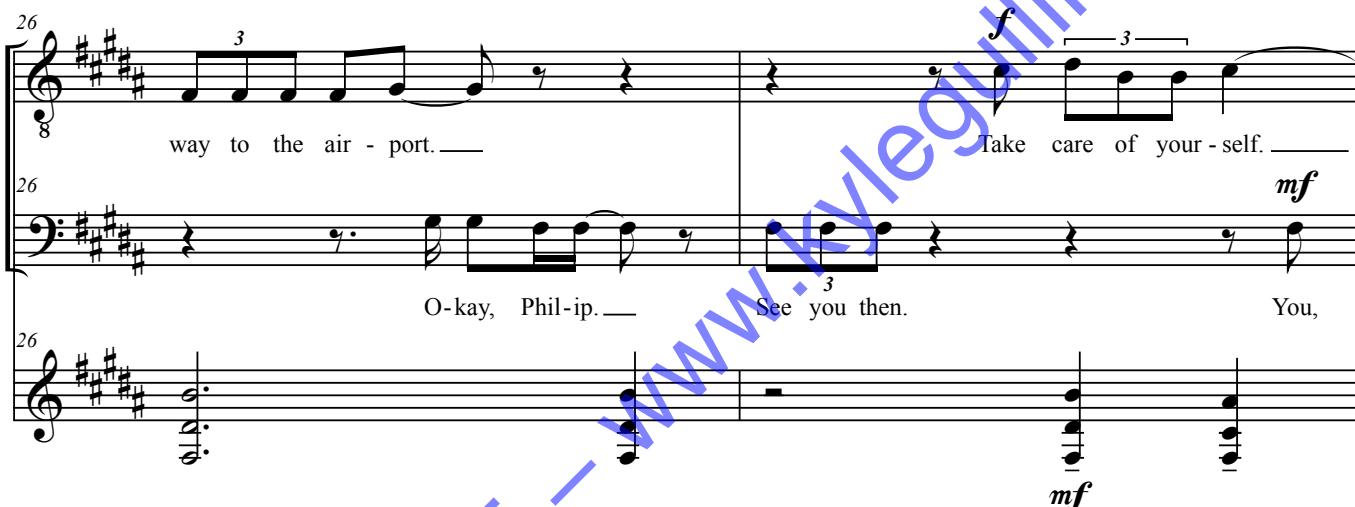
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Ph. 

Hw. Mom thank you___ for the flow - ers.

Gtr. 

26

Ph. 

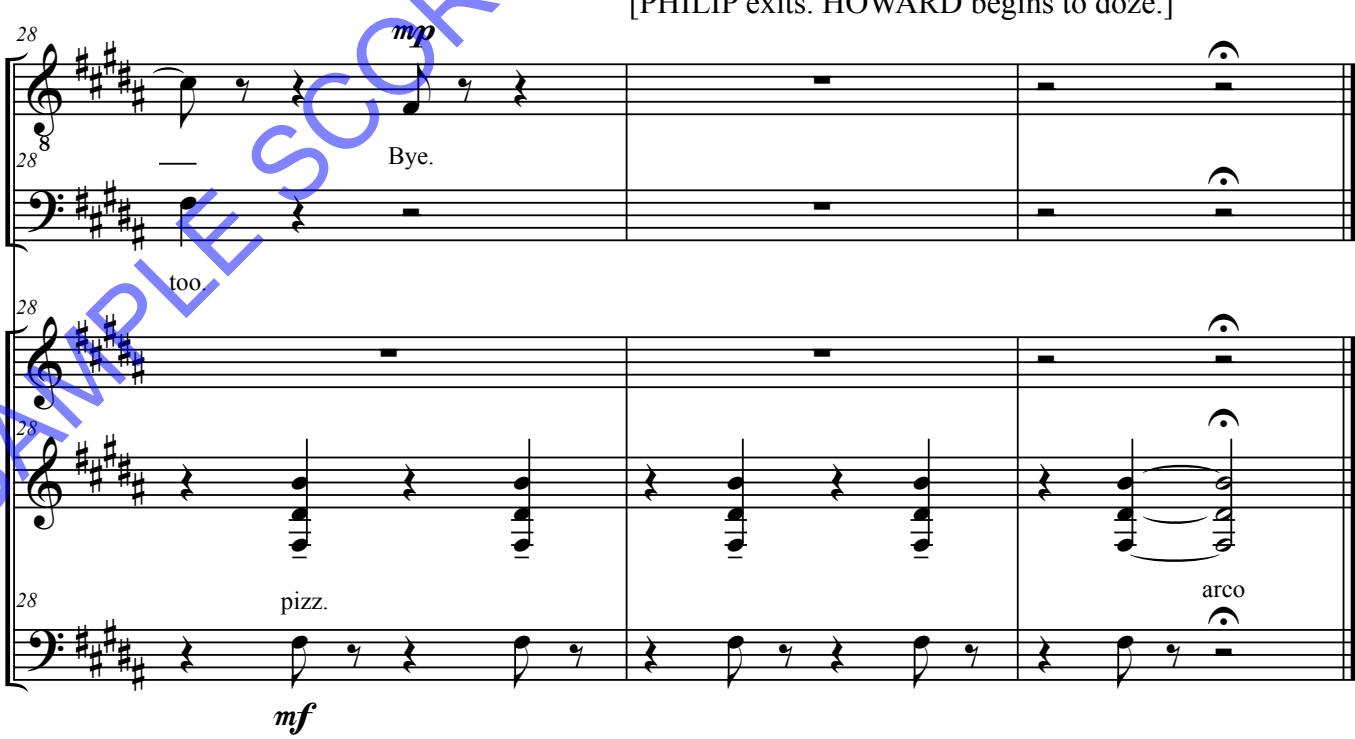
Hw. way to the air - port. — Take care of your - self. *mf*

Gtr. O-kay, Phil-ip. — See you then. You,

26

Gtr. 

28

Ph. 

Hw. Bye.

Fl. 

Gtr. 

Vlc. too. pizz. arco *mf*

[PHILIP exits. HOWARD begins to doze.]

Scene 4a-1: Fourth Dream 1

Dream City and the Three Sages

[Three months later, April. HOWARD's dream, in some abandoned dream-city, clearly in the vicinity of the recurring golden valley. Somewhere in this city – possibly in an intimate room or in an open public space – HOWARD discovers and reads some ancient writings about the bronze gate. Three DREAM SAGES, though not physically present with HOWARD, appear and communicate these writings.]

senza misura

Sg. 1 *mf* V 4"

Dream-ing, when Dawn's Left Hand... Ah

senza misura

Sg. 2 *mf* V

Dream-ing... Ah

senza misura

Sg. 3 *mf* V 4"

8 Dream-ing, when Dawn's Left Hand was in the Sky... Ah

senza misura

Hw. *mf*

senza misura

B. 1 6" *mf*

senza misura

B. 2 *mf*

mf V

Hw. In the fin - al hours, as my bo - dy be - gan to give out, my dream changed course.

B. 1 *mf*

Scene 4a-1: Fourth Dream 1

Hw. (9) V

On the out-skirts of the grove, I en-tered an an-cient cit - y. There, I dis-cov-ered a yel-lowed parch-ment

B. 1

Hw. (9)

filled with the thoughts of three dream - sag - es. They told of the fa - mil - iar path

B. 1

Hw. (9) V

lead-ing to the lit - tle bronze gate. Yearn-ing to fin - 'lly know the world be-yond this gate,

B. 1

Hw. I read long in their scrip-tures. One of the dream - sag - es
(l.v.)

B. 1 (on a stand)

B. 2 f

attacca 4a: The Garden of Perpetuity

Hw. wrote gor - geous - ly of the won - ders be - yond the ir - re - pass - a - ble gate.
(dampen)

B. 2

attacca 4a: The Garden of Perpetuity

Scene 4a-2: The Garden of Perpetuity

Tranquil ♩ = 52

Sg. 1 Fl. Gtr. Vlc.

Bey-on-d this gate lies the Gar-den of Per-pe-tu-it-y,

(dynamics sim.)

Sg. 1 Fl. Gtr. Vlc.

Gar-den of Per-pe-tu-it-y, whose doors are ev - er open'd for me. And I shall

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Scene 4a-2: The Garden of Perpetuity

Sprightly ♩. = 78

7

Sg. 1

en - ter. _____

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

7

7

7

7

7

7

7

7

II

Sg. 1

I shall wear brace-lets of gold, _____ and I shall wear brace-lets of pearls. _____

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

II

II

II

II

II

II

II

II

15

Sg. 1

I shall wear brace-lets of gold and pearls. The doors are ev - er op - en'd!

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

f

f

f

f

f

f

f

f

Scene 4a-2: The Garden of Perpetuity

87

19 *mf*

Sg. 1 I shall wear robes of fine silk, _____ and I shall wear robes of green

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

23

Sg. 1 silk. _____ I shall wear robes of the fin-est green silk, and a thick silk bro-cade in-ter

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

27

Sg. 1 wo - ven with gold! _____ The doors are ev - er op - en'd!

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

Scene 4a-2: The Garden of Perpetuity

31

Sg. 1

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

31

Tranquil ♩ = 52

mp

Sg. 1

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

34

Re-clin-ing there, toil shall not touch me.

34

mp

37

Re-clin-ing there, fa - tigue shall not af-flict me. Re-clin-ing there,

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

Sg. 1

40

Sg. 1
all grief shall de - part from me.
Be-yond this gate lies the

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

40

40

40

pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp

Sg. 1

44

Sg. 1
Gar - den__ of __ Per - pe - tu - it - y,____ the Gar - den__ of __ Per - pe - tu - it - y,____ whose

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

44

44

44

(dynamics sim.)

Scene 4a-2: The Garden of Perpetuity

Sg. 1

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

mf

doors — are — ev - er op-en'd for me. This is my bless-ing. — This is my rest.

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

Sg. 1

52

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

52

52

52

52

52

52

Scene 4a-3: Fourth Dream 2

Dream City and the Three Sages

Hw.

senza misura

mf

attacca 4a: You Begin a Descent

An - oth - er sage warned of an un - end - ing cy - cle of pain and torment.

B. 2

senza misura

f

attacca 4a: You Begin a Descent

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Scene 4a-4: You Begin a Descent

(Round and Round and Round)

Driving $\text{♩} = 102$

Sg. 2 *p*

Be - yond this gate you be-gin a de-scent, round and round and round, til you

flt.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. *p*

4

Sg. 2 *p*

find your-self in a dis-mal space, round and round and round, that is suf - fer-ing. A

normale

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. *mp*

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Sg. 2 large cav - ern and deep black pit, a dust - y path round the edge of it.

Fl. flt.

Gtr.

Vlc. pizz.

9

Sg. 2 Two crowds of in - jured men who moan. Be - fore each man a massive stone.

Fl. normale flt.

Gtr.

Vlc. arco pizz.

12

Sg. 2 And toward the stones you be - gin a de - scent, round and round and round, til you

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. arco mp

Scene 4a-4: You Begin a Descent (Round and Round and Round)

15

Sg. 2

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

15
normale

16

18

Sg. 2

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

18
pizz.

19

20

Sg. 2

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

20
mf
21
And

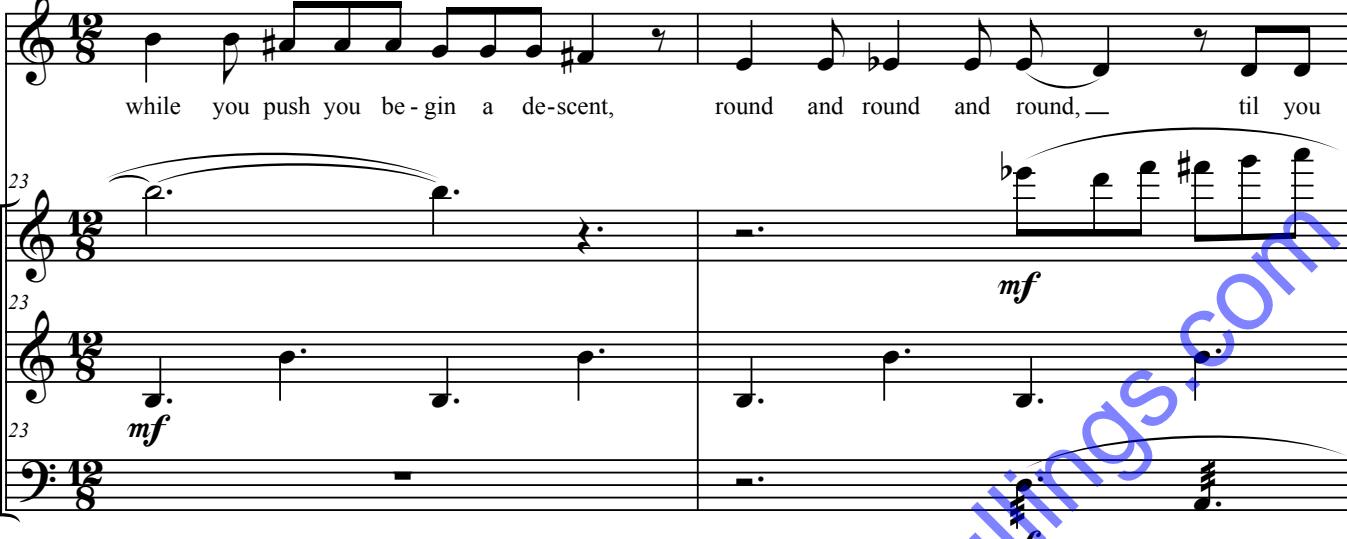
20
arco

21
mf
22
mf

Scene 4a-4: You Begin a Descent (Round and Round and Round)

95

23

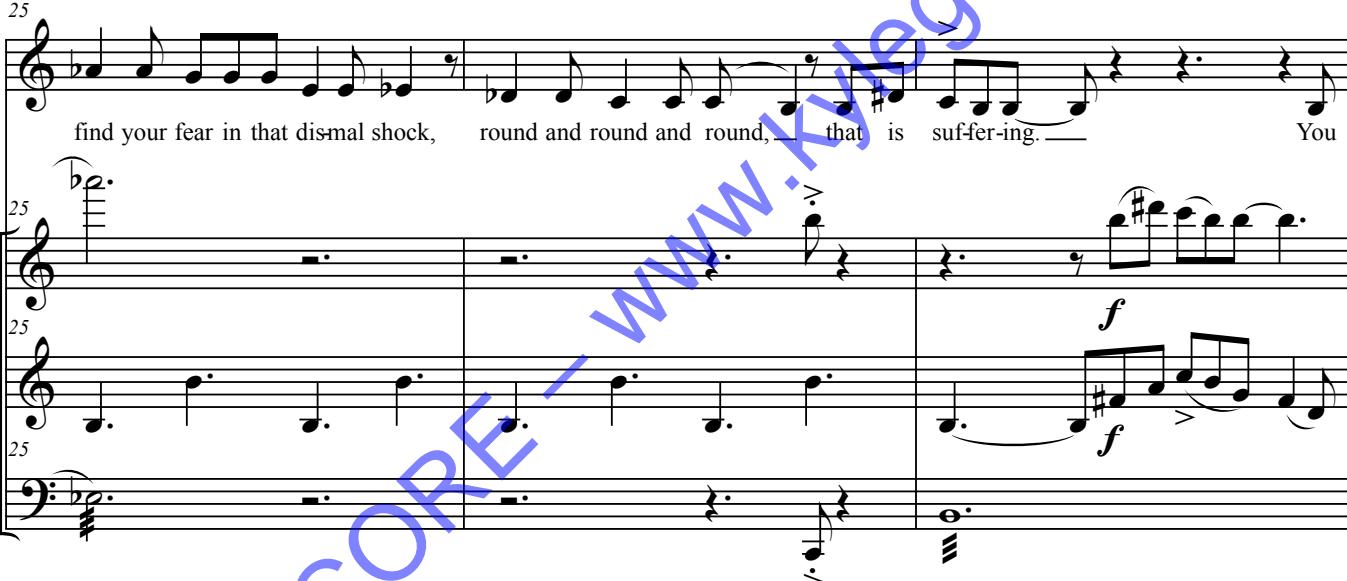
Sg. 2 

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

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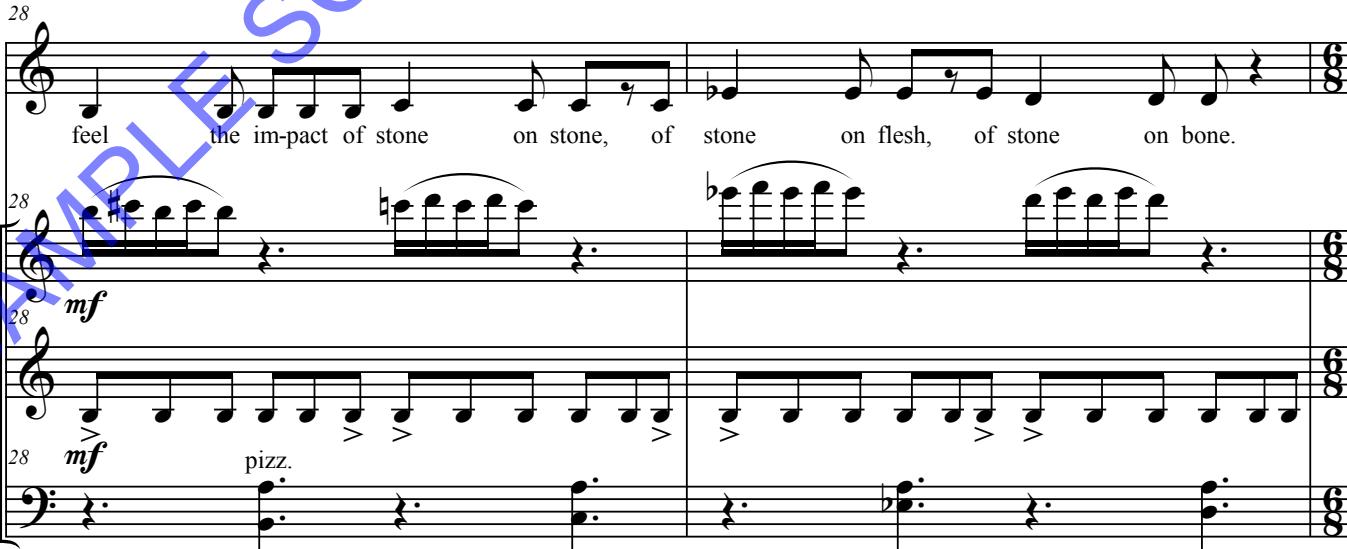
Sg. 2 

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

28

Sg. 2 

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

Scene 4a-4: You Begin a Descent (Round and Round and Round)

30

Sg. 2

You're hurled back by the force of it, and near - ly fall in - to the pit.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

30

f *mf*

30

arco

pizz.

30

f *mf*

33

mp

Sg. 2

You no-tice then your toe, your ribs and the red-dish flow,

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

33

mp

33

mp

36

Sg. 2

your tem-ple's fresh new stain, the cours-ing through with pain.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

36

p

36

p

36

p

Scene 4a-4: You Begin a Descent (Round and Round and Round)

97

39 *f*

Sg. 2 And in - side this pain you be-gin a de-scent, round and round and round, till you

Fl. flt.

Gtr.

Vlc. arco

39 *mf*

42

Sg. 2 find in your-self a dis - mal space, round and round and round that is

normale

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

42

44 > *mp*

Sg. 2 suf - fer-ing. But that is on-ly suf-fer-ing. And

Gtr. vibr.

Vlc.

44

6 8 12 8

vibr. >

6 8 12 8

mp

Scene 4a-4: You Begin a Descent (Round and Round and Round)

47 *f*

Sg. 2 since it's only suffer-ing, you raise a moan,

Fl. *mp*

Gtr. vibr. *decresc.*

Vlc. *mf*

47

51 *mf* *mp*

Sg. 2 watch their eyes, eye your stone, and be-

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. *mp*

55 *mp* *f*

Sg. 2 gin to rise. And

Fl. *p*

Gtr. *p*

Vlc. *p*

Scene 4a-4: You Begin a Descent (Round and Round and Round)

99

Scene 4a-5: Fourth Dream 3

Dream City and the Three Sages

Hw.

senza misura

mf

attacca 4a: Our Grey Indifference

B. 2

senza misura

f

Yet an - oth - er wrote mys - ter - ious - ly of pass - ing that thresh - old.

attacca 4a: Our Grey Indifference

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Scene 4a-6: Our Grey Indifference

Tranquil ♩ = 52

Sg. 3 *mp*

Fl. *p*

Gtr. *mp*

Vlc. *p*

Sg. 3 *p*

Fl. *mp*

Gtr. *mf*

Vlc. *mp*

Text:

Be - yond this gate, _____ our grey _____ in - diff - er - ence,

The pass - ing clouds _____ that van-ish as we _____ melt. _____ Be-yond

Scene 4a-6: Our Grey Indifference

Sg. 3

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

9
Sg. 3

9
8
end _____ is ne - ver felt.

9
Fl.

9
Gtr.
mp

9
Vlc.

p

9
mp

9
p

9
mp

9
mp

9
mp

Scene 4a-6: Our Grey Indifference

18

Sg. 3 mu - ted thank - ful songs, Stopped voic - es metwith stopped

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. con sord. senza sord.

mf

21

Sg. 3 ears.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. *mp*

f

f

f

24

Sg. 3

mp

Be-yond this gate, _____ our fear _____ of

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

26

Sg. 3

()

ab-senc-es, _____ For those _____ to come, _____ for those ³ whom we for - got. _____

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

mp

p

mf

Scene 4a-6: Our Grey Indifference

Sg. 3

29 *mp* , 3 *mp* *mf*

Be-yond this gate, — our ab-sen-ces of fear, — For those — who

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. >*p* 3 *mf*

Sg. 3 32 ' *mp* , *p* 3 are, — for those — who now — are not. —

Fl.

Gtr. ④ *mp* *p* 3 *mp*

Vlc. *mp*

light, ethereal

p

35
Sg. 3
8

35
Fl.

35
Gtr.

35
Vlc.

38
Sg. 3
8

38
Fl.

38
Gtr.

38
Vlc.

Be - - - - yond this gate,

pp

p

pp

— our si-lence hold-ing brave. And un-der -neath, our earth, our womb,

p

mp

p

mp

p

mp

mp

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Scene 4a-6: Our Grey Indifference

Musical score for orchestra and voice, page 108, Scene 4a-6. The score consists of four staves: Sg. 3 (Soprano 3), Fl. (Flute), Gtr. (Guitar), and Vlc. (Violoncello). The vocal part includes lyrics: "our grave." and "con sord." (with mute) followed by "(senza sord.)" (without mute). The score is marked with dynamic instructions: **p**, **pp**, **mp**, and **p**. Measure numbers 41 are indicated above each staff. The guitar staff shows a chord progression with a key signature of one sharp. The cello staff includes a bass clef and a B-flat clef. The flute staff has a dynamic **p** at the beginning of the measure.

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Scene 4a-7: Fourth Dream 4

Dream City and the Three Sages

senza misura

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

senza misura

senza misura

senza misura

mf

8

Which fate would be mine? The sag - es a - greed on - ly that the pass-age was per - ma-nent.

senza misura

B. 1

f

mf

senza misura

B. 2

senza misura

B. 3

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Hw. I did not know which to be - lieve, yet I longed to es - cape for - ev - er in - to that

B. 1

Hw. un-known land; for doubt and se-cre-cy are the lure of lures, and no new hor-ror can sur-pass

B. 1

Hw. the dai - ly tor - ture of the com - mon - place. The fi - nal page re - veal'd

B. 1

Hw. how to un - lock the gate. So, hav - ing glimpsed its sec - rets, I re - solved

B. 1

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Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Hw.

B. 1

B. 2

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

B. 2

There was a Door to

There was a Door to

There was a Door to

,

to pass through that gate when I next a-woke.

(l.v.)

(dampen)

(l.v.)

mf

,

which I found no Key. There was a Veil past which I could not see.

,

which I found no Key. There was a Veil past which I could not see.

,

which I found no Key. There was a Veil past which I could not see.

(l.v.)

Sg. 1 Some lit - tle Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd, and

Sg. 2 Some lit - tle Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd, and

Sg. 3 Some lit - tle Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd, and

B. 2 (l.v.) > (l.v.) >

attacca 4b: Recitative 1

Sg. 1 then no more of THEE and ME.

Sg. 2 then no more of THEE and ME.

Sg. 3 then no more of THEE and ME.

B. 2 (on a stand) l.v. until silent 12"

B. 3 (on a stand) l.v. until silent 12"

attacca 4b: Recitative 1

Scene 4b-1: Recitative 1

[The faucet drips. SONIA has been keeping watch for days. HOWARD wakes, gravely ill yet energized. With much effort, HOWARD moves from the bed toward the sink.]

Steady $\text{♩} = 60$
repeat as needed

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attacca 4b: Night in Kalapa

[HOWARD turns the faucet on full blast. SONIA rushes to turn it off.]

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attacca 4b: Night in Kalapa

Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

Sakyong Mipham Rinpoche

Energetic, an epiphany $\text{♩} = 88$

The musical score consists of two systems of four staves each, representing parts for Hw. (Double Bass), Fl. (Flute), Gtr. (Guitar), and Vlc. (Bassoon/Violoncello). The first system starts with a dynamic of *mp*. The lyrics are: "This time it happ - en'd- Caught in a thun - - der-storm," with grace notes above the bass line. The second system begins with a dynamic of *mf*. The lyrics are: "Spun _____ and twirl'd, Diz _____ zy," with grace notes above the bass line. Performance notes include "3" over groups of three notes and "4" over groups of four notes, indicating specific fingerings or techniques for the guitar parts.

Guitar Performance Notes:

1. A.H. = Artificial Harmonics

While fretting the indicated string, plucking hand lightly touches the node at the indicated fret

2. T.H. = Tapped Harmonics

Plucking hand taps sharply and briefly on strings I & II at the indicated fret

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Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

115

7

Hw. Fl. Gtr. Vlc.

Hap - - - py, I was caught off

7

Hw. Fl. Gtr. Vlc.

guard. This whirl-wind took my heart. I need-ed

9

Hw. Fl. Gtr. Vlc.

A.H. (15 fr.) A.H. (7 fr.)

(3) (4) (6) (5) (4)

sfz

9

Hw. Fl. Gtr. Vlc.

ev - 'ry thing to fall a - part Like

12

Hw. Fl. Gtr. Vlc.

sfz

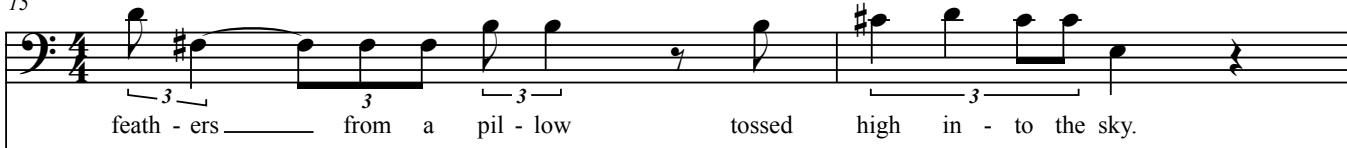
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Hw. Fl. Gtr. Vlc.

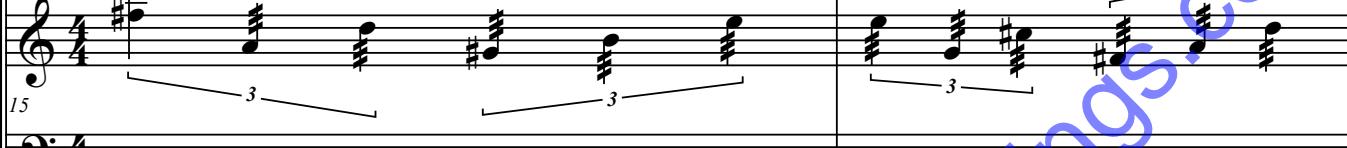
sfz

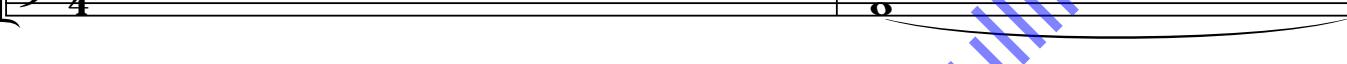
Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

15

Hw. 

Fl. 

Gtr. 

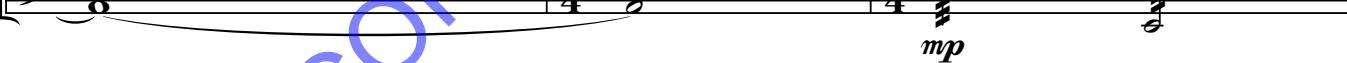
Vlc. 

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Hw. 

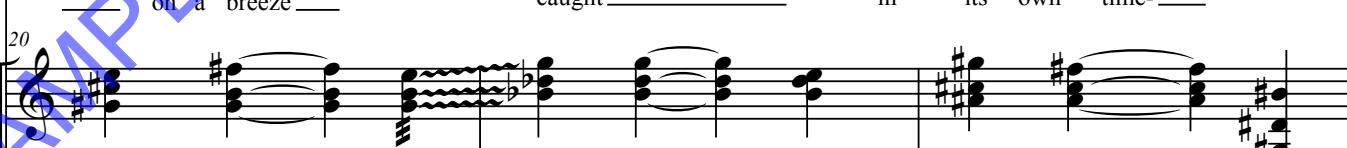
Fl. 

Gtr. 

Vlc. 

20

Hw. 

Gtr. 

Vlc. 

f

Hw. 23 En - er - gy, _____ En - er - gy _____ that

Fl. 23 f 3 3 3 3 ()
let ring e m (golpe) T.H. (12 fr.) i m
(rasg.) i m ① ② V T.H. (19 fr.) 8va-
Gtr. 23 a x P sim. T.H. (12 fr.) 8va-
f al tallone T.H. (19 fr.) 8va-
Vlc. 23 s fz s fz

Hw. 25 can't be meas-ured.

Fl. 25 dampen ()
Gtr. 25 let ring T.H. (12 fr.) 8va-
Vlc. 25 V

27

Hw. (Bassoon)

Fl. (Flute)

Gtr. (Guitar)

Vlc. (Double Bass)

27 T.H. (16 fr.) 3 T.H. (9 fr.) 8va- 3 T.H. (12 fr.) 8va- 3

27 V V

27 s^fz

29

Hw. (Bassoon)

Fl. (Flute)

Gtr. (Guitar)

Vlc. (Double Bass)

29 Com - - 3 et

29 T.H. (16 fr.) 3 T.H. (9 fr.) 8va- 3

29 V V

29 s^fz

normale (non al tallone)

mf

Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

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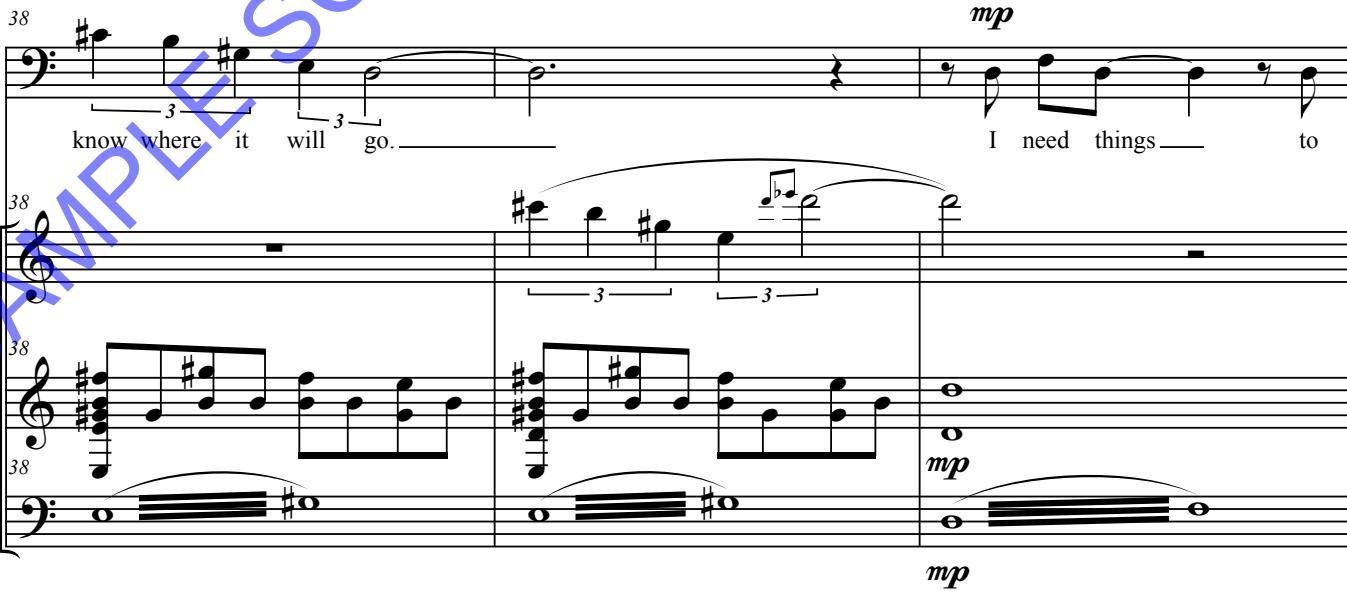
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Hw. 

35

Hw. 

38

Hw. 

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

mp

mp

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Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

41

Hw. *fall a - part, — I want things — to fall a - part.*

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

44

Hw. *All through time, all through the*

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

47

Hw. *I have held on — and held on tight. Now ev'-ry thing*

Gtr.

Vlc.

49

Hw.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

falls a - part.

49

49

49

49

f

f

f

51

Hw.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

The sun

and the

51

51

51

51

mf

mf

mf

54

Hw.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

moon

The sun

and the moon

54

54

54

54

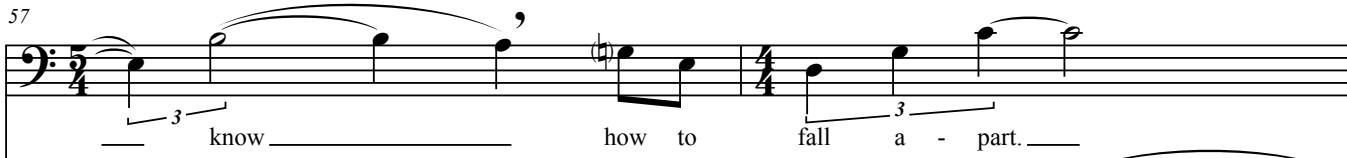
mf

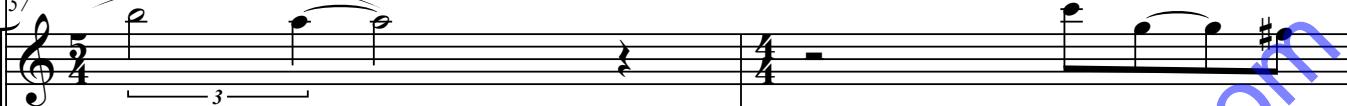
mf

mf

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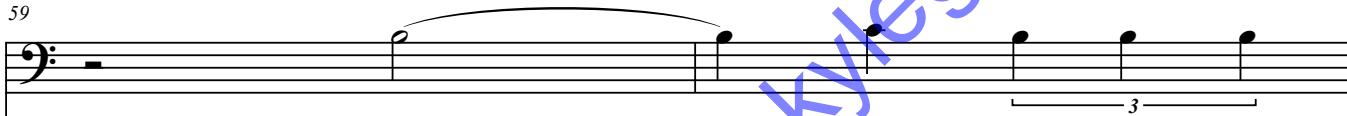
Hw. 

Fl. 

Gtr. 

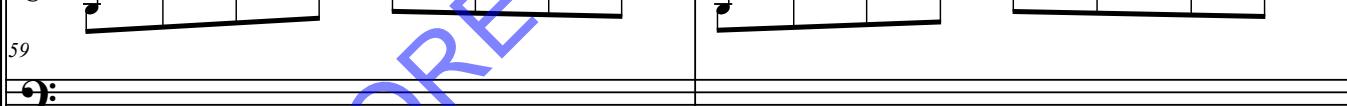
Vlc. 

59

Hw. 

Fl. 

Gtr. 

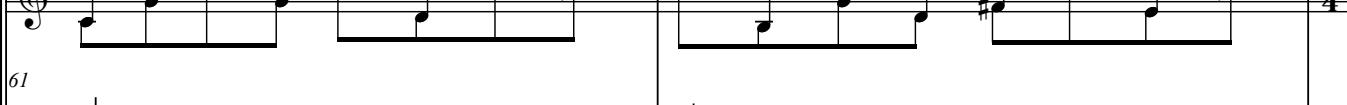
Vlc. 

61

Hw. 

Fl. 

Gtr. 

Vlc. 

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Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

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63

Hw. 

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

65

Hw. 

Fl. flt.

Gtr.

Vlc. punta d'arco

67

Hw. 

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

69 *sub. p*

Hw. | I have not giv - en up, I have simp - ly wok - - en up. This

Gtr. | *sub. p*
normale

Vlc. | *sub. p*

72 *mf*

Hw. | wild, - this wild

Fl. |

Gtr. |

Vlc. | *mf*

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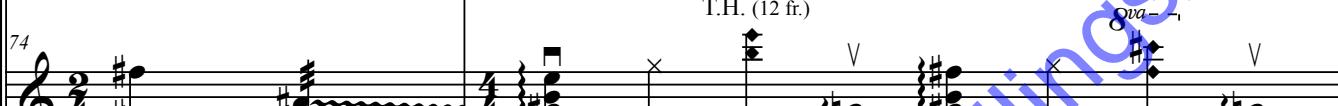
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Hw. 

burst of en - er - gy,

Fl. 

5

Gtr. 

T.H. (12 fr.) 8va-

sfp

Vlc. 

al tallone

sfp

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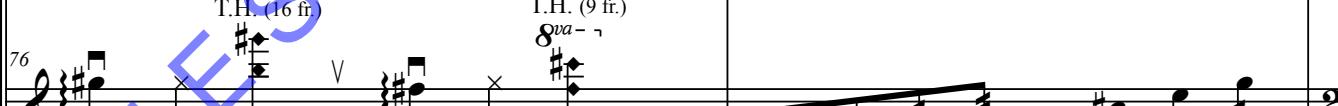
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Hw. 

en - er - gy Wants to twirl.

Fl. 

3 3 3

Gtr. 

T.H. (16 fr.) 8va-

Vlc. 

3 3 3

sfp

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Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

78

Hw. *—* and *spin,* *—*

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

78

78

78

78

80

Hw. *—* *it wants* *may - hem.* *—*

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

82

Hw. I am may

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

82

84 hem- Claus-tro-

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

84

84

84

84

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Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

86

Hw. pho - bi - a self- lib - er - at - ed, Hes - i - ta - tion with a

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

88

Hw. friend called fath - om - less - ness.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

mp

fp

normale (non al tallone)

fp

Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

129

90

Hw. I am that smile

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

92

Hw. that shines a - cross the

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

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Scene 4b-2: Night in Kalapa

mp

Hw. 95 *ff*

Fl. 95 *sub. p*

Gtr. 95

Vlc. 95 *sub. p*

sky. If you look up, you will see me _____ and

95 *sfsz*

95 *sfsz* molto vibr.

95 *sfsz > mp*

98 fall a - part. _____

98 *f* T.H. (12 fr.) dampen

98 al tallone

98 *sfsz*

101

Hw.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

T.H. (12 fr.)

dampen

ff

attacca 4b: Recitative 2

103

Hw.

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

T.H. (12 fr.)

T.H. (19 fr.)

(non rasg.)

8va - - -

sfz

IV-

ff

sfz

attacca 4b: Recitative 2

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Scene 4b-3: Recitative 2

Recitative $\frac{1}{8}$ = 80

[HOWARD lies down.]

[HOWARD takes her hand, preventing her from doing so.]

Sn. $\frac{1}{8}$ *mf*

Ph. $\frac{1}{8}$

Hw. $\frac{1}{8}$

Fl. $\frac{1}{8}$

Gtr. $\frac{1}{8}$

Vlc. $\frac{1}{8}$ *mf*

Will you lie down? Are you feeling sick? I'm calling the nurse, How ard, —
On ly my body.

Sn. $\frac{1}{8}$

Hw. $\frac{1}{8}$

Fl. $\frac{1}{8}$ *mp*

Gtr. $\frac{1}{8}$

I'm tired of all this mys tic al talk of dreams and death.
We don't need to talk.

7

Sn.

mp

I'm not tired.

Hw.

Why don't you get some rest? —2—

Gtr.

p

I don't want to lose you.

[PHILIP knocks and enters.]

10

Sn.

mp

Ph.

mp Phil-ip? It's near-ly mid-night.

Hello?

Fl.

I caught an ear - li - er

Gtr.

mf

mp

13

Ph.

flight. Dad. How are you?

Hw.

mp

Hey, Phil - ip. Mom says you'll be a dad an - y

Gtr.

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Scene 4b-3: Recitative 2

15

Sn. *mf*

Ph. *mf* Oh, Phil-ip! What a-bout Ta-ra?

I al-read-y am. 'Bout an hour a-go.

Hw. *mf* Tired, but they're

day now.

Gtr.

Vlc. *mp*

Con-gra-tu - la-tions.

18

Sn. You left her a - lone?

Ph. both do - ing great.

Gtr. She un - der-stands. She sends her

20

Sn. I'm so hap-py — for you both. It's a big change.—

Ph. love.

Gtr. I know. There was some bad news.

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[HOWARD laughs, which turns into a violent cough.]

23 *f*

Ph. It's a girl.

Hw. Now you've got three la - dies ___ to take care of!

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. *mf*

[HOWARD indicates "no."
His coughs subside.]

26 *f*

Sn. How-ard!

Ph. You need to rest. *mf*

Dad! Should I get some-one? We could all use some rest. Are you

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. *mf*

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Scene 4b-3: Recitative 2

29

Sn. I'm going to stay a lit - tle long - er.

Ph. Drive

8 leav - ing, Mom?

Gtr.

29 I'll see you at home, then.

31 safe.

Ph. 4

Hw. I will. See you in the morn - ing. *mp*

Tell Ta - ra we said hi. Bye, Phil - ip.

Gtr.

31 [PHILIP exits.]

Ph. Bye. Sleep well.

Gtr.

Vlc. *p*

Flowing $\text{♩} = 60$ ***mp***

Sn. 36 You go to sleep now. 2
Hw. 36 Nice. Ver-y nice.
Fl. 36 How's the gar-den look-ing?
Gtr. 36
Vlc. 36 ***mp***

Sn. 39 Al-most per-fect.
Hw. 39 We'll know an-y
Fl. 39 An-y ros - es this year?
Gtr. 39
Vlc. 39 ***p***

[SONIA sits back down and they both begin to doze.]

Sn. *p* 42 day now. _____ I'll see you in the morn-ing.

Gtr. 42

Gtr. 45 attacca 4c: Final Dream 1

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Scene 4c-1: Final Dream 1

Final Dream: Oblivion

[HOWARD drifts off to sleep. His valley dream begins to meld with time-lapsed tableaux of the physical world. Likewise, the other characters transition fluidly between their physical world characters and their DREAM CHORUS counterparts. HOWARD is in the process of dying. The tableaux begin.]

senza misura

Sg. 1 senza misura

Sg. 2 senza misura

Sg. 3 senza misura

Hw. senza misura 12" f

I need things to fall a - part. —

B. 1 senza misura 12" dampen suddenly

B. 2 niente >

B. 3 senza misura f

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Sg. 1 mf , ,

Dream-ing, dream-ing, mf ,

Sg. 3 mf ,

Dream-ing,

Hw. V (b) — (b) —

I want things to fall a - part. —

B. 1 mf

dampen suddenly

B. 2 >

Sg. 1 dream - ing, when Dawn's Left Hand was in the Sky...
 mf

Sg. 2 Dream - ing, when Dawn's Left Hand was in the Sky...

Sg. 3 dream - ing, when Dawn's Left Hand was in the Sky...

B. 1

8

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[An alarm sounds.]

[The NURSE enters, waking SONIA.
The NURSE checks on HOWARD.]

THE NURSE checks on HOWARD.]

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

[An alarm sounds.]

dampen suddenly

B. 1

B. 2

B. 3

ff

mf

3"

3"

6"

9"

3"

6"

9"

3"

6"

9"

ff

mf

Sample Score - www.wm...
www.wm...

[The NURSE summons DR. GREENE.]

mf

Hw.

Last night, I float-ed dream-i - ly in - to the gol - den val-ley and through the shad-o-w-y groves.

B. 2

B. 3

[DR. GREENE and the NURSE enter
and attempt to revive HOWARD.]

mf

Sg. 1

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

Back with - in the val - ley, down from the di - vide.

mf

Back with - in the val - ley, down from the di - vide.

mf

Back with - in the val - ley, down from the di - vide.

B. 2

B. 3

dampen suddenly

Hw.

When I came this time to the an-tique wall, I saw that the small gate of bronze was o-pen.

B. 2

B. 3

f

mf

[DR. GREENE and the NURSE continue their efforts as the hospital room fades to black.]

Sg. 1
Sg. 2
Sg. 3
B. 2
B. 3

No more flam-ing clouds a-bout, O! the soft hill-side.

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Hw.
B. 2
B. 3

From be-yond came a glow that weird-ly lit the twist-ed trees and the tops of the bur-ied tem-ples.

dampen suddenly
dampen suddenly

attacca 4c: I Fall Asleep in the Full and Certain Hope

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Scene 4c-2: I Fall Asleep in the Full and Certain Hope

Samuel Butler

[A small, private funeral ceremony appears. TARA is absent, having recently given birth. SONIA sits as PHILIP reads a remembrance.]

A solemn remembrance $\text{♩} = 84$

Ph. $\text{♩} = 84$

Fl. Capo II (notated at sounding pitch)
let ring throughout

Gtr. N.H. (4) (6) (3) (5) (2) (4) (1) (3) (2) (etc.)

Vlc.

Ph.

Gtr. 7fr. A.H.

Vlc.

Guitar Performance Notes:

1. N.H. = Natural Harmonics
2. A.H. = Artificial Harmonics

While the string is fretted, the plucking hand lightly touches the node 12 frets higher.

Scene 4c-2: I Fall Asleep in the Full and Certain Hope

7

Ph. 8 and that though I be all- for - get - ting, —

Gtr. N.H.

Vlc.

9 (9)

Ph. 8 yet shall I not be all-³ for - got - ten, —

Gtr. 7fr. A.H.

Vlc.

II *mp*

Ph. 8 but con - tin - ue that life in the thoughts and

Fl. *mp*

Gtr. N.H.

Vlc. *mp*

Scene 4c-2: I Fall Asleep in the Full and Certain Hope

145

13 , *mf*

Ph. deeds — of those I loved,

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

mf Capo IV to end

mf

pp

mf

16 *mp*

Ph. in - to which, while the pow'r to

Gtr. ⑥ ③ ⑤ ② ④ ① ③ ② ① (etc.)

Vlc. *mp*

18 ,

Ph. strive was still vouch - safed me,

Gtr.

Vlc.

Scene 4c-2: I Fall Asleep in the Full and Certain Hope

poco riten.

20 Ph. *sub. p* ————— *mf* —————
 I fond - ly strove ————— to en - - - - - ter. —————

20 Gtr. 7fr. A.H. *sub. p* ————— *mf* —————

20 Vlc. *sub. p* ————— *mf* —————

[The ceremony fades to black.]

22 Ph. *pp* ————— —————

22 Gtr. *8va* ————— ————— (remove Capo)
 22 Vlc. *8va* ————— ————— *p*

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Scene 4c-3: Final Dream 2

Final Dream: Oblivion

[The backyard garden appears, SONIA tending to it. Simultaneously, in silent silhouette, PHILIP appears at his home holding TARA, who holds their infant daughter.]

senza misura *mf*

Sg. 1 And my cot - tage light, , and the star - ry night.

Sg. 2 And my cot - tage light, , and the star - ry night.

Sg. 3 And my cot - tage light, and the star - ry night.

Hw. *senza misura*

B. 2 *mp*

B. 3

Hw. *mf*

And I drift - - - ed on song - ful - ly, ex - pect - ant of the glo - ries

B. 2 *mf*

B. 3 *mp*

Hw. *attacca 4c: Sorrow Is My Own Yard*

of the land from whence I should ne - ver re - turn. l.v. until silent

B. 2 (dampen)

B. 3

Scene 4c-4: Sorrow Is My Own Yard

William Carlos Williams
 "The Widow's Lament in Springtime"

Lamenting ♩ = 62

Sn.

Fl. *mp*

Gtr.

Vlc. *p*

let ring ⑤ ②

Sn. 5 *mp*
 Sor - row is my own yard _____ where the

Fl. *p*

Gtr.

Vlc.

Sn. 8
Fl. 8
Gtr. 8
Vlc. 8

Sn. II
Fl. II
Gtr. II
Vlc. II

new grass flames _____ as it has flamed of-ten be - fore but not with the

cold fire _____ that clos - es round me this year.

Measure 8: Sn. plays eighth-note pairs, Fl. rests, Gtr. plays eighth-note pairs, Vlc. plays eighth-note pairs. Measure 11: Sn. plays eighth-note pairs, Fl. plays eighth-note pairs, Gtr. plays eighth-note pairs, Vlc. plays eighth-note pairs. Measure 11 (continued): Sn. plays eighth-note pairs, Fl. plays eighth-note pairs, Gtr. plays eighth-note pairs, Vlc. plays eighth-note pairs. Measure 11 (continued): Sn. rests, Fl. rests, Gtr. rests, Vlc. rests.

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Scene 4c-4: Sorrow Is My Own Yard

14 half-spoken:

Sn. 3 Thir-ty-five years I lived with my hus-band.

Fl. $\leq mp$

Gtr. $\leq mp$

Vlc. $\leq mp$

17

Fl. mf

Gtr. mf

Vlc. $\leq mf$

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Freely $\text{♩} = 62$

Sn. 20 $\frac{12}{8}$ - | $\frac{9}{8}$:. :. . | $\frac{12}{8}$ p. . . . | $\frac{9}{8}$
 The plum - tree _____ is

Fl. 20 $\frac{12}{8}$ o. | $\frac{9}{8}$ - | $\frac{12}{8}$ f. | $\frac{9}{8}$
 $\frac{12}{8}$ mf | $\frac{9}{8}$ - | $\frac{12}{8}$ mf | $\frac{9}{8}$

Gtr. 20 $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ | $\frac{9}{8}$ | $\frac{12}{8}$ | $\frac{9}{8}$
 $\frac{12}{8}$ mf | $\frac{9}{8}$ | $\frac{12}{8}$ | $\frac{9}{8}$

Vlc. 20 $\frac{12}{8}$ f. | $\frac{9}{8}$ - | $\frac{12}{8}$ | $\frac{9}{8}$

Sn. 23 white ____ to-day. | The plum - tree _____ is

Fl. 23 $\frac{9}{8}$ f. | $\frac{9}{8}$ - | $\frac{9}{8}$ - | $\frac{9}{8}$

Gtr. 23 $\frac{9}{8}$ | $\frac{12}{8}$ | $\frac{9}{8}$ | $\frac{9}{8}$
 $\frac{9}{8}$ | $\frac{12}{8}$ | $\frac{9}{8}$ | $\frac{9}{8}$

Vlc. 23 sul tasto | $\frac{12}{8}$ mf | $\frac{9}{8}$ | $\frac{9}{8}$

Scene 4c-4: Sorrow Is My Own Yard

26

Sn. *f*
white to - day. The plum - tree is

Fl. *mf*

Gtr. *sul tasto*

Vlc. *mf*

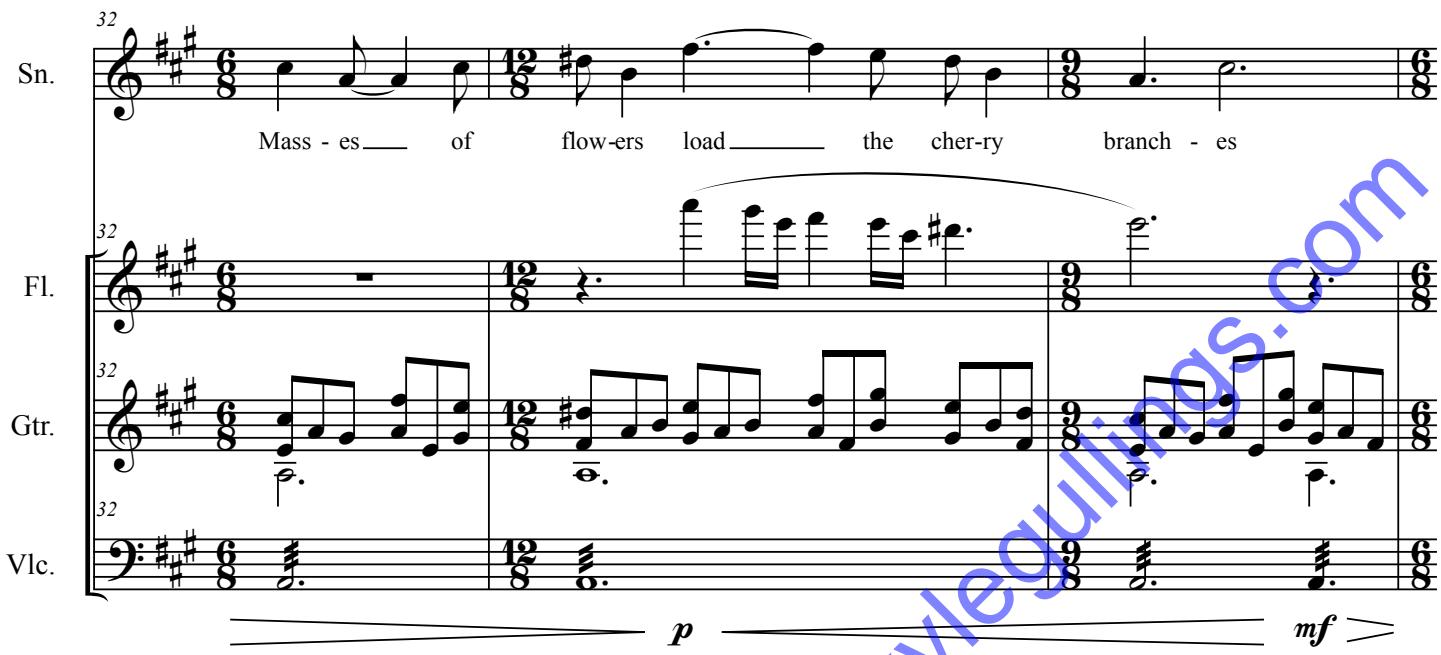
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Sn. white to - day with mass-es of flow - ers.

Fl. *p* *mf*

Gtr. *mf*

Vlc. *p* *sul pont.* *p* *mf*

Sn. 32 

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc.

Sn. 35 

Gtr.

Vlc.

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Scene 4c-4: Sorrow Is My Own Yard

38

Sn. *red* *but the*

Fl.

Gtr.

Vlc. *f* *mp*

38

38

38

38

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Sn. *grief in my heart* *is strong - er than they*

Gtr. *normale*

Vlc. *f* *#2.* *mp*

41

41

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Sn. 43 for though they were my joy form-er - ly, — to - day I not-ice them and

Gtr. 43

Vlc. 43

Sn. 46 turn a - way for-get - ting.

Gtr. 46

Vlc. 46

Musical score for Flute (Fl.), Guitar (Gtr.), and Bassoon (Vlc.) at measure 49. The key signature is A major (three sharps). The time signature changes from 8/8 to 12/8, then to 9/8, and finally to 5/4. The flute has a sustained note. The guitar plays a rhythmic pattern with a grace note. The bassoon has a sustained note. Dynamic markings include a fermata over the flute's note and a dynamic 'p' (piano) over the bassoon's note.

Tempo I $\text{♩} = 62$

Musical score for Snare Drum (Sn.), Flute (Fl.), Guitar (Gtr.), and Bassoon (Vlc.) at measure 52. The key signature is A major (three sharps). The time signature is 5/4. The snare drum plays a rhythmic pattern. The flute has a sustained note. The guitar plays a rhythmic pattern. The bassoon has a sustained note. The dynamic marking 'mp' (mezzo-forte) is above the snare drum's notes. The bassoon's note is marked with a dynamic 'p' (piano). The vocal line begins with the lyrics: "To - day my son told me that in the".

Sn. 54 *mead - ows, — at the edge of the hea - vy woods in the dis - tance, — he saw*

Fl. 54

Gtr. 54 *mp*

Vlc. 54 *mp*

mf

Sn. 57 *trees — of white flow - ers, — of white flow - ers. —*

Fl. 57 *f*

Gtr. 57 *f*

Vlc. 57 *f*

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Scene 4c-4: Sorrow Is My Own Yard

mf

Sn. 60 I feel that I would like to go there _____ and fall in - to those flow - ers and

Fl. 60

Gtr. 60

Vlc. 60

f *molto rubato*

Sn. 63 , *mp*

sink in - to the marsh near them. *rit.* , *pp*

Fl. 63 *p*

Gtr. 63 *p*

Vlc. 63 *p*

slow roll

Scene 4c-5: Final Dream 3

Final Dream: Oblivion

senza misura

Sn.

senza misura

Sg. 1

senza misura *mf*

Sg. 2 There was a Door to which I found no Key. (hold)

senza misura

Sg. 3

senza misura

Hw.

senza misura

B. 1

senza misura

B. 2 >

senza misura *mf*

senza misura

B. 3 13

Sg. 1 Some lit - tle

Sg. 2

Sg. 3 (hold)
There was a Veil past which I could not see.

B. 2

Sn. And then no more of THEE and ME.

Sg. 1 Talk a-while of ME and THEE there seem'd,

Sg. 2

Sg. 3

B. 2 dampen suddenly

Sn. *p*
There was a Door to which I found no Key.

Sg. 1 *p*
There was a Door to which I

Sg. 2 *p*
There was a Door to which I found no

Sg. 3 *p*
There was a Door to which I found no

Hw. *mf*
As the gate swung wid - er and the sor - cer - y of dream pushed me through,

B. 2 *mf*

Sn. There was a Veil past which I could not see. Some lit - tle Talk a - while of

Sg. 1 found no Key. There was a Veil past which I could not see. Some lit - tle

Sg. 2 Key. There was a Veil past which I could not see. Some lit - tle Talk a -

Sg. 3 8 no Key. There was a Veil past which I could not see. Some lit - tle Talk

Hw. I knew that all sights and glo - ries were at an end; — for in that new realm was

B. 2

B. 3 *mp*

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Sn. , V
ME and THEE there seem'd, and then no more

Sg. 1 ,
Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd, and

Sg. 2 ,
while of ME and THEE there seem'd, and then no

Sg. 3 ,
a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd, and then

Hw. V
nei - ther land nor sea, but on - ly the white void of un - peo - pl'd and

B. 2

B. 3

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Sn. V mf
of THEE and ME. There was a Door to

Sg. 1 V V V
then no more of THEE and ME. There

Sg. 2 V V V
more of THEE and ME. There was a

Sg. 3 V V V
no more of THEE and ME. There was

Hw. il - lim - it - a - ble space. With that, I dis-solved in - to that

B. 1

B. 2

B. 3

strike every 2-4 seconds

f

mf

Sn. which I found no Key. There was a Veil past which I could not see.

Sg. 1 was a Door to which I found no Key. There was a Veil past which I could

Sg. 2 Door to which I found no Key. There was a Veil past which I could not see.

Sg. 3 a Door to which I found no Key. There was a Veil past which I could not

Hw. na - tive in - fin - it - y of crys - tal O -

B. 1

B. 2

B. 3

Sn. *f*

Some lit - tle Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd, and

Sg. 1 , *f*

not see. Some lit - tle Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd,

Sg. 2 , *f*

Some lit - tle Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd,

Sg. 3 , *f*

see. Some lit - tle Talk a - while of ME and THEE there seem'd,

Hw. *f*

BLIV - I - ON from which life had called me for one

B. 1 *f*
strike every 1-3 seconds

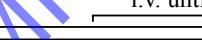
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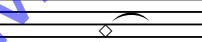
B. 3 *mf*

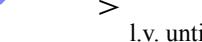
Sn. then no more- *ff*
 Sg. 1 and then no more-
 Sg. 2 and then no more-
 Sg. 3 and then no more-
 Hw. brief and des - o - late hour.
 B. 1
 B. 2
 B. 3

[HOWARD dissolves into Oblivion.
The others remain for a moment, empty and uncertain.
Then there is nothing.]

Hw.  40

B. 1  l.v. until silent 40"

B. 2  l.v. until silent 40"

B. 3  l.v. until silent 40"

[END.]