

The Sound of Silence

Simon & Garfunkel – *Sounds of Silence* (1966)

Intro		Dm %
A1	<p>Hello darkness, my old friend I've come to talk with you again Because a vision softly creeping Left its seeds while I was sleeping And the vision that was planted in my brain Still remains Within the sound of silence</p>	<p> C % Dm Dm – F Bb – F F Bb – F 2/4 F 4/4 Bb % F F – Dm 2/4 F 4/4 C Dm % </p>
A2	<p>In restless dreams I walked alone Narrow streets of cobblestone 'Neath the halo of a streetlamp I turn my collar to the cold and damp When my eyes were stabbed by the flash of a neon light That split the night And touched the sound of silence</p>	<p> C % Dm Dm – F Bb – F F Bb – F 2/4 F 4/4 Bb % F F – Dm 2/4 F 4/4 C Dm % </p>
A3	<p>And in the naked light I saw Ten thousand people maybe more People talking without speaking People hearing without listening People writing songs that voices never share And no one dare Disturb the sound of silence</p>	<p> C % Dm Dm – F Bb – F F Bb – F 2/4 F 4/4 Bb % F F – Dm 2/4 F 4/4 C Dm % </p>
A4	<p>"Fools," said I, "you do not know Silence like a cancer grows Hear my words that I might teach you Take my arms that I might reach you." But my words like silent raindrops fell And echoed in the wells of silence</p>	<p> C % Dm Dm – F Bb – F F Bb – F 2/4 F 4/4 Bb % F F – Dm F C Dm % </p>
A5	<p>And the people bowed and prayed To the neon god they made And the sign flashed out its warning In the words that it was forming And the sign said: "The words of the prophets are written on the subway walls and tenement halls And whispered in the sounds of silence."</p>	<p> C % Dm Dm – F Bb – F F Bb – F F Bb % F F – Dm F C (rit.) Dm % </p>