

# THE SOUND OF SILENCE

Texte et musique : Paul Simon



Note de départ :  
Soprano / Alto do

- Cm** **Bb** **CM**  
1. Hello darkness, my old friend, I've come to talk with you again
- Cm** **Eb** **Ab** **Eb** **Ab** **Eb**  
Because a vision softly-y creeping, left its seeds while I wa-as sleeping
- Ab** **Eb** **Cm**  
And a vision that was planted in my brain still remains
- Eb** **Bb** **Cm**  
With in the Sound of Silence
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- Cm** **Bb** **Cm**  
2. In restless dreams I walked alone narrow streets of cobblestone
- Cm** **Eb** **Ab** **Eb** **Ab** **Eb**  
Neath the halo of a-a street lamp I turned my collar to the cold and damp
- Ab** **Eb** **Cm**  
When my eyes were stabbed by the flash of a neon light that split the night
- Eb** **Bb** **Cm**  
And touched the Sound of Silence
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- Cm** **Bb** **Cm**  
3. And the naked light I saw ten thousand people, maybe more
- Cm** **Eb** **Ab** **Eb** **Ab** **Eb**  
People talking withou-out speaking, people hearing withou-out listening
- Ab** **Eb** **Cm**  
People writing songs that voices never share and no one dare
- Eb** **Bb** **Cm**  
Disturb the Sound of Silence

<sup>Cm</sup> 4. « Fools ! » said I, <sup>Bb</sup> « You do not know silence like a cancer grows » <sup>Cm</sup>

<sup>Cm</sup> « Hear my words that I mi-ight teach you, <sup>Eb</sup> take my arms that I mi-ight reach you » <sup>Eb</sup> <sup>Ab</sup> <sup>Eb</sup>

<sup>Ab</sup> But my words like silent raindrops fell, <sup>Eb</sup> <sup>Cm</sup>

<sup>Eb</sup> And echoed in the wells of Silence <sup>Bb</sup> <sup>Cm</sup>

<sup>Cm</sup> 5. And the people bowed and prayed to the neon god they made <sup>Bb</sup> <sup>Cm</sup>

<sup>Cm</sup> And the sign flashed out i-its warning. <sup>Eb</sup> In the words that it wa-as forming <sup>Ab</sup> <sup>Eb</sup>

<sup>Ab</sup> And the sign said « The words of the prophets are written on the subway walls <sup>Eb</sup>  
and tenement halls <sup>Cm</sup>

<sup>Eb</sup> And whisper'd in the Sound of Silence <sup>Bb</sup> <sup>Cm</sup>