

The Sounds Of Silence - Simon and Garfunkle



Hello darkness, my old friend
I've come to talk with you _____
Because a vision softly creeping
Left its seeds while I was sleeping
And the vision that was
planted in my _____
Still remains
Within the sound of silence

In restless dreams I walked _____
Narrow streets of cobblestone
'Neath the halo of a street lamp
I turned my collar to the cold and _____
When my eyes were stabbed
by the flash of a neon light
That split the night
And touched the sound of silence

And in the naked light I saw
Ten thousand people, maybe _____
People talking without speaking
People hearing without listening
People writing songs
that voices never _____
And no one dared
Disturb the sound of silence

"Fools", said I, "You do not know
Silence like a cancer _____
Hear my words that I might teach you
Take my arms that I might reach you"
But my words, like silent raindrops _____
And echoed
In the wells of silence

And the people bowed and _____ ed
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 _____ are
written on the subway walls
And tenement halls"
And whispered in the sounds of silence

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

In restless dreams I walked alone
Narrow streets of cobblestone
'Neath the halo of a street lamp
I turned 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

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 dared
Disturb the sound of silence

"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

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

1. Circle the silent letters. 2. Pronounce the words together.



3. List all the things you might hear only when you are silent. For example – the wind. Then, watch [this video](#) and what “silent sounds” do you hear?

Things I Can Hear

