

Poems by
Richard Armour

Guest Privileges

From "Light Armour"

Music by
Kevin Weed

Maestoso ♩ = c. 100

Clarinet

Soprano

Piano

f *tr* *mf* *p*

When rare - seen friends come

vis - it us, We pull out all the stops. Though ham - burg is our

com - mon fare, We dine on steaks and chops. We

tr *mf* *p* *mf*

Leg. * *Leg.* * *Leg.* * *Leg.* *

Information

Recordings



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11 *p*

buy the lit - tle cost - ly things It's al - ways been a

14

sin to; Our pre - cious hoard of bot - tled goods Gets

17 *rit.* *mf* *f*

quite a go - ing in - to. A

rit. *mf* *f*

Ped. Ped. * Ped. *

20 *a tempo*

hired girl brings the din - ner in, Re - turns things to their

a tempo

mf p

Ped. *

23

shelves. We don't know what the guests think, but gosh, We're

f mp f

Ped. *

27

quite im - pressed our - selves

p f

Ped. *

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2. Frightening Experience

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Allegro Agitato (M.M. ♩ = c. 152)

Clarinet

Soprano

Piano

p *sotto voce*

p *sotto voce*

5

Is this the house? Is this the night? Did we, my dear, re - mem-ber right?

9

No porch light gleams, no one stands near The win-dow-pane through which we peer.

The musical score is written for three parts: Clarinet, Soprano, and Piano. The time signature is 3/4, and the key signature has one flat (B-flat major). The tempo is marked 'Allegro Agitato' with a metronome marking of approximately 152 beats per minute. The piano part includes 'sotto voce' markings. The vocal part includes lyrics in Italian and English. The score is divided into measures, with measure numbers 5 and 9 indicated. The lyrics are: 'Is this the house? Is this the night? Did we, my dear, re - mem-ber right?' and 'No porch light gleams, no one stands near The win-dow-pane through which we peer.'

2. Frightening Experience

2

13

No cars be-fore the door-way park, All seems un-fest-ive, still, and dark.

This system contains measures 13 through 16. It features a vocal line with a melodic phrase in measure 13, followed by a sustained note in measure 14, and then a descending line in measures 15 and 16. The piano accompaniment consists of chords in measures 13 and 14, and a single note in measure 15, with a final chord in measure 16.

17

If we should ring, we see a-head Our host and host-ess dragged from bed,

This system contains measures 17 through 20. The vocal line begins with a melodic phrase in measure 17, followed by a sustained note in measure 18, and then a descending line in measures 19 and 20. The piano accompaniment features chords in measures 17 and 18, and a single note in measure 19, with a final chord in measure 20.

21

Or he in un-der - shirt, and she A creamed and cur-lered sight to

This system contains measures 21 through 24. The vocal line begins with a melodic phrase in measure 21, followed by a sustained note in measure 22, and then a descending line in measures 23 and 24. The piano accompaniment features chords in measures 21 and 22, and a single note in measure 23, with a final chord in measure 24.

2. Frightening Experience

3

25 *tr* *tr* *tr* *tr*

see. _____ With

cresc.

Leo. *Leo.* *Leo.* *Leo.*

29 what re - lief, what brim - ming cup, _____ We

mf

Leo. *Leo.* *Leo.* *Leo.*

33 watch an - oth - er car drive up _____

cresc. *tr*

Leo. *Leo.* *Leo.*

The musical score is written for three parts: Soprano, Alto, and Piano. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The score is divided into three systems, each starting with a measure number (25, 29, 33). The Soprano part features trills (tr) and a long melodic line. The Alto part has a similar melodic line with some rests. The Piano part provides harmonic support with a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the left hand and a more active right hand. Dynamics include *cresc.* (crescendo), *mf* (mezzo-forte), and *tr* (trill). The lyrics are: 'see. _____ With', 'what re - lief, what brim - ming cup, _____ We', and 'watch an - oth - er car drive up _____'. The piece ends with a trill in the Soprano part.

2. Frightening Experience

4

37 *rit.*

And know, our dread - ful fears now gone, _____

rit. *f* *Red.* *

41 *fp* *a tempo*

That all is well - - - the party's _____

dim. *a tempo* *p tr* *Red.*

45 *rit.* *mf* *p*

on. _____

rit. *mf* *p* *Red.* *

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3. The Pause That Depresses

From "Light Armour"

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♩ = 60

Clarinet

Soprano

Piano

p

Don't

5

let the con-ver-sa-tion lag. Come on, please, be a wit or wag. Or if you can't,

p

8

say some-thing sol - emn, Quote from a book, a speech, a col - umn.

tr.

rit.

rit.

3. The Pause That Depresses

11 *a tempo* *rit.*

Small talk will do, or aim-less chat-ter, It real-ly, tru - ly does-n't mat-ter.

a tempo *rit.*

13 *accel.* *tr* *cresc.* *tr* *rit.* *a tempo*

What makes the host-ess pale? Some ill-ness? Oh, no _____ a

accel. *cresc.* *rit.* *a tempo*

17 *rit.*

grim, five - sec - ond still-ness.

rit. *p*

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of staves. The first system (measures 11-12) features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The second system (measures 13-14) continues the vocal line with lyrics and includes dynamic markings like 'accel.', 'tr' (trill), 'cresc.', and 'rit.'. The third system (measures 17-18) shows the vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The score includes various musical notations such as treble and bass clefs, time signatures (4/4, 2/4), and dynamic markings.

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4. It's The Second Door On The Left

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The musical score is written for three parts: Clarinet, Soprano, and Piano. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 3/2. The score is divided into three systems, each containing staves for the three instruments. The lyrics are written below the Soprano staff.

System 1:

- Clarinet:** Starts with a *mf* dynamic, playing a melodic line. It ends with a trill (*tr*) and a *p* dynamic.
- Soprano:** The lyrics "When we have din ner guests, my wife makes" are sung. The melody begins in the second measure.
- Piano:** Accompanies with a *mf* dynamic, playing a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. It transitions to a *p* dynamic in the third measure.

System 2:

- Clarinet:** Continues the melodic line.
- Soprano:** The lyrics "cer tain that our bath room, in case of need, will not look quite so" are sung. The melody continues.
- Piano:** Continues the accompaniment, with some chords in the right hand.

System 3:

- Clarinet:** Continues the melodic line, ending with a *mf* dynamic.
- Soprano:** The lyrics "like a Grapes of Wrath room." are sung. The melody concludes.
- Piano:** Continues the accompaniment, ending with a *mf* dynamic.

4. It's The Second Door On The Left

9

p

She chan ges towels, scrubs the tub, and car ries out the stray things the

leggiro

p

Reo. Reo. Reo. Reo.

13

pp

mf

ex tra shoes, the mag a zines, the child ren's toys and play things.

Reo. Reo. Reo. * Reo.

17

p

Rare, rare in deed the din ner guest who to our bath room

tr

mf

p

Reo. Reo. Reo. Reo. Reo. *

4. It's The Second Door On The Left

3

21

mf

am bles but were there not this constant threat,

p

Leo. *

24

the place would be a sham bles.

mf

Leo. *

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5. Candle Power

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Slow and Dreamy ♩ = 66

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Clarinet

Soprano

Piano

*always smooth, and
with pedal, "echoey"*

p, *mf*, *pp*, *rit.*, *a tempo*, *Red.*, ** Red. Red.*

Be - neath the sub - tle can - dle - light

You la-dies do look quite all right, And, seen less clear-ly, I ad-

15

mit that I my-self im-prove a bit. But such the wat-tage, such the

mp *pp* *mp* *pp*

Reo. Reo.

Detailed description: This block contains measures 15 through 18. The vocal line (top two staves) features a melody with eighth and quarter notes. The piano accompaniment (bottom two staves) consists of chords and moving lines in both hands. Dynamic markings *mp* and *pp* are present. The piano part includes a 'Reo.' (pedal point) marking under the bass line in measures 16 and 18.

19

flick-er, which glass is wat-er, which is li-quer? Is this po-ta-to, squash, or

Reo. Reo.

Detailed description: This block contains measures 19 through 22. The vocal line continues the melody. The piano accompaniment features a more active bass line. Dynamic markings *mp* and *pp* are present. The piano part includes a 'Reo.' (pedal point) marking under the bass line in measures 20 and 22.

23

rice? I need a See-ing Eye's ad-vice. —

cresc. *mf* *cresc.* *mf*

Reo. Reo.

Detailed description: This block contains measures 23 through 26. The vocal line concludes with a long note. The piano accompaniment features a more active bass line. Dynamic markings *cresc.* and *mf* are present. The piano part includes a 'Reo.' (pedal point) marking under the bass line in measures 24 and 26.

5. Candle Power

3

28

p

I'd like to know the flow - ers from _____ the cel - er - y, and not by

pp

Reo.

32

thumb. I'd like to know where north and south is, or

p

pp

Reo.

36

an - y - how, just where my mouth is. For,

p

pp

Reo.

40

p *mf*

af - ter all, I came to dine (and not up - on your face or mine),

pp *mf*

Leg. *Leg.* *Leg.* *Leg.*

44

a piacere

and so, to find which food is which, I pray you, please flick on the

p *colla voce* *rit.*

48

p *pp*

switch.

rit. *pp*

Leg. *Leg.*

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6. So Soon?

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Clarinet

Soprano

Piano

mf *p* *mf* *p*

Our guests are a-bout to



4

go _____ The signs, it is true, are small, _____



7

But the sens - i - tive host and host - ess know they'll soon be out in the

11

f hall. *p* Our guests are a-bout to go That

15

is, they're all set to start to

18

mf *p* *cresc.*

plan _____ to pre - pare to get__ read - y to be - gin _____ to com-

22

f

mence _____ to de - part.

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7. Come On Now, Be Funny

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Clarinet

Soprano

Piano

Be - fore you go dear week-end guest you must en-dure one fi - nal test. Here

is our guest book, pen, and ink We'll stand be-side you while you

think. How - ev - er much you'd like to scam first

Red. *

10

mf

coin a gold-en e - pi-gram. Say some-thing wit - ty some-thing clev - er,

mf *p*

13

rit. *mf* *a tempo* *mf*

pro - duce a "mot" to live for - ev - er.

tr *mf rit.* *p* *a tempo*

16

p *mf*

You say that writ-ing's not your forte. Come on dear fel - ow

pp

Ped.

19

f *mf*

be a sport. We're wait-ing with ex-pec-tant eye to read be-fore the ink is dry.

f *p* *mf*

*

22

p

If con - fi - dence is what you lack per -

p

25

mp *mf* *rit.*

use this book from front to back. You'll feel like Shake-speare when you

mp *rit.* *mf*

7. Come On Now, Be Funny

28

a tempo
p *cresc.*

note The sil - ly things the o - thers

a tempo

31

f

wrote.

f