

Sound of Silence

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Key: Am

(originally in Ebm i.e. capo 6th fret)

[Verse 1]

Am

G

Hello darkness, my old friend,

Am

I've come to talk with you again,

F

C

Because a vision softly creeping,

F

C

Left its seeds while I was sleeping,

F

C

And the vision that was planted in my brain

C/B Am

Still re... mains

C

G

Am

Within the sound of silence.

[Verse 2]

Am

G

In restless dreams I walked alone

Am

Narrow streets of cobblestone,

F

C

'neath the halo of a street lamp,

F

C

I turned my collar to the cold and damp

F

C

When my eyes were stabbed by the flash of a neon light

C/B

Am

That split the night

C

G

Am

And touched the sound of silence.

[Verse 3]

Am **G**
And in the naked light I saw
Am
Ten thousand people, maybe more.
F C
People talking without speaking,
F C
People hearing without listening,
F C
People writing songs that voices never share
C/B Am
And no one dare
C G Am
Disturb the sound of silence.

[Verse 4]

Am **G**
Fools said I, you do not know
Am
Silence like a cancer grows.
F C
Hear my words that I might teach you,
F C
Take my arms that I might reach you.
F C C/B Am
But my words like silent raindrops fell,
C G Am
And echoed, In the wells of silence

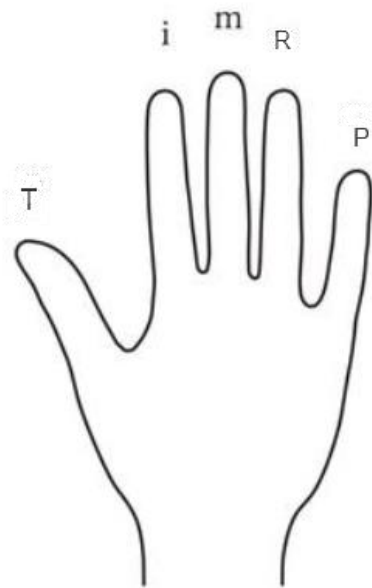
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[Verse 5]

Am **G**
And the people bowed and prayed
Am
To the neon God they made.
F C
And the sign flashed out its warning,
F C
In the words that it was forming.
F
And the sign said, the words of the prophets
C
Are written on the subway walls
C/B Am
And tenement halls.
C G Am
And whisper'd in the sounds of silence.

Picking pattern for the first verse



T=Thumb, i=Index, m=Middle, R=Ring, P=Pinky

Pattern:

String 3 1 2 1 3 1 2 1 }

Repeat

Finger T m i m T m i m }

Then the Thumb changes to

6th string for the G chord

5th string for the C chord

4th string for the F chord