

**Jason Cady**

**The Voices in My Head**

**2017**

**a one-act opera**

**The Voices in My Head (2017)**

a one-act opera

music and libretto by Jason Cady

adapted from a short story by Jack Handey

commissioned by Symphony Space

**Characters:** Bud, soprano

Bud, mezzo-soprano

Bud, tenor

Bud, baritone

chorus of voices, SATB

(all four singers portray Bud and sing in chorus)

**Instruments:** flute

piano

percussion (snare, kick drum, roto-toms)

cello

amplified contrabass

modular synthesizer

pedal steel guitar

**Duration:** 7'15"

**Synopsis:** Bud complains about the voices in his head. These voices turn out to be the kind of ordinary thoughts shared by most folks—and a few that are not too ordinary.

The chorus portrays the voices while dancing in a conga line, competing in the limbo and hula-hooping.

**Setting:** A Tiki Bar

Score

# The Voices In My Head

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$\text{♩} = 112$

Soprano

Mezzo-Soprano

Tenor

Baritone

Piano

Flute

Cello

Bass

Percussion

Modular Synth

Pedal Steel Gtr

I ne - ver know when the voi - ces in my head will

Bass must be amplified and VERY LOUD!

# The Voices In My Head

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Soprano (S) - Treble clef, 2 measures of rests.

Mezzo (Mezzo) - Treble clef, 2 measures of rests.

Tenor (T) - Treble clef, 2 measures of rests.

Bass (B) - Bass clef, 2 measures of rests. Then lyrics begin:  
start talk-ing to me. I might be leav-ing my a - part-ment and I'll look up

5  
Pno. (Pno.) - Treble clef, 2 measures of rests.

5  
Flute (Fl.) - Treble clef, 2 measures of rests.

5  
Violin (Vc.) - Bass clef, 2 measures of rests.

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Bass - Bass clef, 2 measures of rests. Then begins a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes and sixteenth note pairs.

Percussion (Perc) - Percussion staff, 2 measures of rests. Then begins a rhythmic pattern of eighth-note pairs with 'X' marks above them.

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Mod Synth - Treble clef, 2 measures of rests.

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PSG - Treble clef, 2 measures of rests. Then begins a rhythmic pattern of eighth-note pairs with '8' below them.

## The Voices In My Head

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Musical score for "The Voices In My Head" featuring ten instrumental parts:

- Soprano (S): Stays silent throughout.
- Mezzo-Soprano: Stays silent throughout.
- Tenor (T): Stays silent throughout.
- Bass (B): Playing eighth-note patterns.
- Piano (Pno.): Stays silent throughout.
- Flute (Fl.): Stays silent throughout.
- Cello (Vc.): Stays silent throughout.
- Bass (Bass): Playing eighth-note patterns.
- Percussion (Perc): Playing sixteenth-note patterns.
- Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth): Playing eighth-note patterns.
- Programmable Sound Generator (PSG): Stays silent throughout.

The lyrics begin at measure 9:

at the clouds. Sud-den - ly the voic-es tell me to go back in-side and get an um brel la be-

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Soprano (S) staff: Four measures of rests.

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) staff: Four measures of rests.

Tenor (T) staff: Four measures of rests.

Bass (B) staff: Measures 1-2: Rests. Measure 3: Eighth-note patterns. Measure 4: Sixteenth-note patterns. Lyrics: cause it might rain.

Piano (Pno.) staff: Four measures of rests.

Flute (Fl) staff: Four measures of rests.

Double Bass (Vc.) staff: Four measures of rests.

Bass staff: Measures 1-2: Rests. Measures 3-4: Sixteenth-note patterns. Bassoon part: Measures 3-4: Sixteenth-note patterns.

Percussion (Perc) staff: Measures 1-4: Eight-note patterns.

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) staff: Measures 1-4: Rests.

Programmable Synthesizer (PSG) staff: Measures 1-2: Rests. Measures 3-4: Eight-note patterns.

## The Voices In My Head

5

Soprano (S) 17

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) 17

Tenor (T) 17

Bassoon (B) 17  
strength and refuse to get the um-brel-la still the voices. don't let you for-get that you dis - o -

Piano (Pno.) 17

Flute (Fl.) 17

Cello (Vc.) 17

Bass 17

Percussion (Perc) 17

Mod Synth 17

PSG 17

A

A musical score page for a vocal and instrumental ensemble. The page includes ten staves: Soprano, Mezzo-Soprano, Tenor, Bassoon, Piano, Flute, Cello, Bass, Percussion, Mod Synth, and PSG. The score is marked with measure numbers 17 at the beginning of each line. The vocal parts sing a melody with lyrics: "strength and refuse to get the um-brel-la still the voices. don't let you for-get that you dis - o -". The Bassoon staff shows a melodic line with grace notes. The Percussion staff uses 'X' marks to indicate strikes. The Mod Synth and PSG staves show rhythmic patterns with eighth-note heads. A small square box labeled 'A' is positioned above the Tenor staff.

## The Voices In My Head

from offstage

The Voices In My Head

from offstage

Soprano (S) 6  
Mezzo (Mezzo)  
Tenor (T)  
Bass (B)  
Piano (Pno.)  
Flute (Fl.)  
Violoncello (Vc.)  
Bass  
Percussion (Perc)  
Mod Synth  
PSG

You should have got-ten the um - brel-la. Why did-n't you?  
from offstage  
You should have got-ten the um - brel-la. Why did-n't you?  
from offstage  
You should have got-ten the um - brel-la. Why did-n't you?

- beyed them e-spec' - lly \_\_\_\_ if it rains. They'll say—

21

Musical score for 'The Voices In My Head' section B. The score consists of eight staves:

- Soprano (S):** Stays silent throughout the section.
- Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo):** Stays silent throughout the section.
- Tenor (T):** Stays silent throughout the section.
- Bass (B):** Starts with eighth-note rests. From measure 25, it plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note pairs. The lyrics begin at measure 25: "I don't ex - pect you to un - der - stand what it's like".
- Piano (Pno.):** Stays silent throughout the section.
- Flute (Fl.):** Stays silent throughout the section.
- Cello/Bass (Vc.):** Stays silent throughout the section.
- Bassoon (Bass):** Starts with eighth-note rests. From measure 25, it plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note pairs.
- Percussion (Perc):** Starts with eighth-note rests. From measure 25, it plays a continuous pattern of eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note pairs.
- Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth):** Starts with eighth-note rests. From measure 25, it plays a continuous pattern of eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note pairs.
- Programmable Synthesizer (PSG):** Starts with eighth-note rests. From measure 25, it plays a continuous pattern of eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note pairs. It features a sustained note on the eighth note of each measure.

# The Voices In My Head

8  
29

Soprano (S) - - - - -

Mezzo - - - - -

Tenor (T) - - - - -  
8

Bass (B) - - - - -  
having voi - ces in your head tell-ing you what to do. But it's a night-mare I live with all the

29

Piano (Pno.) - - - - -

29

Flute (Fl) - - - - -

29

Cello (Vc) - - - - -

29

Bass - - - - -

Percussion (Perc) - - - - -

29

Mod Synth - - - - -

29

PSG - - - - -

Soprano (S) - Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) - Tenor (T) - Bass (B) - Piano (Pno.) - Flute (Fl.) - Violoncello (Vc.) - Bassoon (Bass)

time. Right now, for in-stance the voi-ces are tell-ing me to go back and change the word night-mare

Pno. (Measure 33)

Fl. (Measure 33)

Vc. (Measure 33)

Bass (Measure 33)

Perc (Measure 33)

Mod Synth (Measure 33)

PSG (Measure 33)

The Voices In My Head

head to the stage in a conga-line:

10

37

Soprano (S) liv-ing hell!

Mezzo-soprano (Mezzo) head to the stage in a conga-line:  
Get up \_\_\_ and  
liv-ing hell!

Tenor (T) head to the stage in a conga-line:  
Get up \_\_\_ and  
liv-ing hell!

Bass (B) — to      The voi - ces\_\_ tor - ment me from the time I wake up.      They'll say

Piano (Pno.) 37

Flute (Fl.) 37

Cello (Vc.) 37

Bassoon (Bass) 37

Percussion (Perc) 37

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) 37

Programmable Synthesizer (PSG) 37

## The Voices In My Head

11

41

S. go to the bath-room and pee. Get some food. Brush your teeth.

Mezzo. go to the bath-room and pee. Get some food. Brush your teeth.

T. 8 go to the bath-room and pee. Get some food. Brush your teeth.

B. Through-out the day they ne-ver let up:

Pno.

Fl.

Vc.

Bass.

Perc.

Mod Synth.

PSG.

12

## The Voices In My Head

45

S Eat some more. Why did you bo-ther to brush your teeth?

Mezzo Eat some more. Why did you bo-ther to brush your teeth?

T 8 Eat some more. Why did you bo-ther to brush your teeth?

B On and on. Some-times the

Pno.

Fl.

Vc.

Bass

Perc

Mod Synth

PSG

The musical score consists of ten staves. The vocal parts (Soprano, Mezzo-Soprano, Tenor) sing a repetitive phrase: "Eat some more. Why did you bo-ther to brush your teeth?". The Bass part provides harmonic support with sustained notes and rhythmic patterns. The Piano, Flute, Cello, and Bassoon provide melodic and harmonic support with various patterns. The Percussion and Modulated Synthesizer parts add rhythmic complexity with cross-staff notation and eighth-note patterns. The PSG part remains silent throughout the section.

## The Voices In My Head

13

Musical score for "The Voices In My Head" featuring ten staves. The vocal parts (Soprano, Mezzo-Soprano, Tenor) are silent (rests). The Bass part contains lyrics: "voi ces \_ e - ven talk to me in my sleep. tell - ing me to get up and ur - i-nate." The piano part is silent. The flute part ends with a melodic flourish. The cello part is silent. The bass part has rhythmic patterns. The percussion part consists of a continuous pattern of eighth-note pairs. The modulated synthesizer part has a steady eighth-note pulse. The PSG part is silent.

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S

Mezzo

T

B  
8

voi ces \_ e - ven talk to me in my sleep. tell - ing me to get up and ur - i-nate.

49

Pno.

49

Fl.

49

Vc.

49

Bass

49

Perc

49

Mod Synth

49

PSG

## The Voices In My Head

Soprano (S) - Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) - Tenor (T) - Bass (B) - Piano (Pno.) - Flute (Fl.) - Violoncello (Vc.) - Bass (Bass) - Percussion (Perc) - Mod Synth - PSG

My fear is that the voice - es will tell me to do some-thing cra-zzy like go look for a job.

53 Ukelele

53

53

53

53

53

53

53

E

## The Voices In My Head

Soprano (S) - Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) - Tenor (T) - Bass (B) - Piano (Pno.) - Flute (Fl.) - Cello (Vc.) - Bass - Percussion (Perc) - Modulated Synthesizer (Mod Synth) - PSG

baritone and tenor exchange costumes

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57

gliss up and down freely on low roto tom

3 3

57

57

# The Voices In My Head

16

61

A musical score for ten instruments or voices. The instruments listed from top to bottom are: Soprano (S), Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo), Tenor (T), Bass (B), Pno. (Piano), Fl. (Flute), Vc. (Violoncello), Bass, Perc (Percussion), Mod Synth (Modular Synthesizer), and PSG (Programmable Sound Generator). The score consists of four measures of music. Measures 1-3 are mostly rests, with some eighth-note patterns in the Bassoon and Violoncello. Measure 4 begins with eighth-note patterns in the Bassoon and Violoncello, followed by eighth-note patterns in the Percussion and Modular Synthesizer, and finally eighth-note patterns in the Programmable Sound Generator.

## The Voices In My Head

17

65

S continue conga line on stage

Mezzo continue conga line on stage

T used to think that drink - ing would calm the voices, but it usually makes them worse. They'll say things like  
continue conga line on stage

B

65 piano

Pno. strum strings

65

Fl.

65

Vc.

65

Bass

65

Perc

65

Mod Synth

65

PSG

## The Voices In My Head

69

S. Go tell that guy what you real - ly think of him. Get up on that tab-le and do your fun-ny cow-boy dance.

Mezzo. Go tell that guy what you real - ly think of him. Get up on that tab-le and do your fun-ny cow-boy dance.

T. 8 Or—

B. Go tell that guy what you real - ly think of him. Get up on that tab-le and do your fun-ny cow-boy dance.

Pno. 69

Fl. 69

Vc. 69

Bass. 69

Perc

Mod Synth. 69

PSG. 69

The musical score consists of eight staves. The top two staves are for vocal parts: Soprano (S.) and Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo.). The third staff is for Tenor (T.) with a tempo marking of 8. The fourth staff is for Bass (B.). The fifth staff is for Piano (Pno.). The sixth staff is for Flute (Fl.). The seventh staff is for Violin (Vc.). The eighth staff is for Bassoon (Bass.). The ninth staff is for Percussion (Perc.). The tenth staff is for Modulated Synthesizer (Mod Synth.). The eleventh staff is for PSG. The score includes lyrics for the vocal parts: "Go tell that guy what you real - ly think of him. Get up on that tab-le and do your fun-ny cow-boy dance." These lyrics appear in measures 18 and 69. The piano part features sustained notes with grace notes. The bassoon part has a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. The percussion part uses various symbols like 'x' and 'z'. The synthesizer and PSG parts have simple note patterns. Measure numbers 18 and 69 are marked above the staves.

Soprano (S) vocal line:

Mezzo-soprano (Mezzo) vocal line:

Tenor (T) vocal line:

Bass (B) vocal line:

Piano (Pno.) vocal line:

Piano (Pno.) dynamic: Ped.

Piano (Pno.) tempo: 73

Piano (Pno.) lyrics: Go buy Serg-eant Pep-pers

Flute (Fl.) vocal line:

Violoncello (Vc.) vocal line:

Bass (Bass) vocal line:

Percussion (Perc) vocal line:

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) vocal line:

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) vocal line:

Text lyrics: The voi-ces used to talk to me \_\_ a - bout the Beat-les When I was young they'd tell me Go buy Serg-eant Pep-pers

Normal performance instruction: normal

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## The Voices In My Head

Soprano (S) - - - - mow some laws to earn the mon-ey.

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) - - - - mow some laws to earn the mon-ey.

Tenor (T) 8 But I don't have a - ny mon-ey But that's a lot of work.

Bass (B) - - - - mow some laws to earn the mon-ey.

Piano (Pno.) 77 strum strings

Flute (Fl.) - - - -

Cello (Vc.) - - - -

Bass (Bass) 77 - - - -

Percussion (Perc) 77 - - - -

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) 77 - - - -

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) 77 - - - -

The musical score consists of ten staves, each representing a different instrument or voice part. The instruments include Soprano, Mezzo-Soprano, Tenor, Bass, Piano, Flute, Cello, Bass, Percussion, Modular Synthesizer, and Programmable Sound Generator. The score is set in common time (indicated by '77') and features lyrics in parentheses above certain staves. The piano part includes a dynamic marking 'strum strings'. The tenor part has a vocal line with lyrics: 'But I don't have a - ny mon-ey' followed by 'But that's a lot of work.' The bass part has a dynamic marking '77'. The percussion part has a dynamic marking '77'. The modular synthesizer part has a dynamic marking '77'. The programmable sound generator part has a dynamic marking '77'.

## The Voices In My Head

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Soprano (S) 81  
Well, do you want the al-bum \_\_\_\_ or not?

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) 81  
Well, do you want the al-bum \_\_\_\_ or not?

Tenor (T) 81  
Wait. That might have been my fath-er

Bass (B) 81  
Well, do you want the al-bum \_\_\_\_ or not?

Piano (Pno.) 81  
81  
81  
81

Flute (Fl.) 81  
81

Violoncello (Vc.) 81  
81

Bass (Bass) 81  
81

Percussion (Perc) 81  
81

Modulated Synthesizer (Mod Synth) 81  
81

Polyphonic Sound Generator (PSG) 81  
81

## The Voices In My Head

Soprano (S) - 4 measures of rests.

Mezzo-soprano (Mezzo) - 4 measures of rests.

Tenor (T) - 4 measures of rests, followed by lyrics: "Some-times I go for hou - rs with-out the voi - ces \_\_\_\_ talk-ing \_\_\_\_ to me. such as when I'm watch-ing".

Bass (B) - 4 measures of rests.

Piano (Pno.) - Measures 85-88: Four measures of sustained notes (two octaves apart) with slurs.

Flute (Fl.) - Measures 85-88: Sixteenth-note patterns.

Cello (Vc.) - Measures 85-88: Four measures of rests.

Bassoon (Bass) - Measures 85-88: Eight measures of eighth-note patterns.

Percussion (Perc) - Measures 85-88: Sixteenth-note patterns with X marks.

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) - Measures 85-88: Notes on G4, A4, and B4.

Programmable Synthesizer (PSG) - Measures 85-88: Four measures of rests.

Soprano (S) and Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) sing eighth-note rests throughout.

Tenor (T) sings a melodic line starting at measure 89:

T V, or watch-ing ants, or ly-ing on the floor and try-ing to blow lint balls in - to

Bass (B) sings eighth-note rests throughout.

Piano (Pno.) plays sustained eighth-note chords (F major) from measure 89 to the end.

Flute (Fl.) sings eighth-note rests throughout.

Cello (Vc.) sings eighth-note rests throughout.

Bass (Bass) plays eighth-note patterns with grace notes throughout.

Percussion (Perc) plays eighth-note patterns with 'x' marks throughout.

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) plays sustained eighth-note notes (C) throughout.

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) sings eighth-note rests throughout.

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## The Voices In My Head

93

Soprano (S) - 4 measures of rests.

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) - 4 measures of rests.

Tenor (T) - 4 measures of rests, followed by lyrics:

one big herd of lint.      or      see-ing which one \_\_\_ of my cats is most a-fraid of      pill-ow case head.

Bassoon (B) - 4 measures of rests.

Piano (Pno.) - Measures 1-4: sustained chords (G major). Measure 5: dynamic 93, eighth-note patterns.

Flute (Fl.) - Measures 1-4: rests. Measure 5: eighth-note patterns.

Cello (Vc.) - Measures 1-4: rests.

Bass (Bass) - Measures 1-4: eighth-note patterns.

Percussion (Perc) - Measures 1-4: sixteenth-note patterns with X and cross marks.

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) - Measures 1-4: sustained notes (D, E, F#).

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) - Measures 1-4: rests.

Soprano (S) - Treble clef, no key signature.

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) - Treble clef, no key signature.

Tenor (T) - Treble clef, one sharp (F#).  
8 But these golden moments are fleeting and soon the voices return.

Bass (B) - Bass clef, no key signature.

Pno. (Piano) - Treble clef, four sharps (F# G# C# D#).  
97 Ukelele - Treble clef, four sharps (F# G# C# D#).

Fl. (Flute) - Treble clef, no key signature.  
97

Vc. (Cello) - Bass clef, no key signature.  
97

Bass - Bass clef, one sharp (F#).  
97

Perc - Treble clef, no key signature.  
97

Mod Synth - Treble clef, no key signature.  
97

PSG - Treble clef, no key signature.  
97

The Voices In My Head  
switch from conga line to a limbo contest

Soprano (S) vocal line consists of short dashes.

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) vocal line consists of short dashes.

Text: tenor and mezzo exchange costumes

Text: tenor takes part in the limbo contest

Tenor (T) vocal line consists of short dashes.

Bass (B) vocal line consists of short dashes.

Piano (Pno.) dynamic 101: vocal line consists of short dashes.

Flute (Fl.) dynamic 101: vocal line consists of short dashes.

Violoncello (Vc.) dynamic 101: vocal line consists of short dashes.

Bass dynamic 101: vocal line consists of sixteenth-note patterns.

Text: gliss up and down freely on low roto tom

Percussion (Perc) dynamic 101: sixteenth-note patterns with a 3 over 3 feel.

Mod Synth/PSG dynamic 101: vocal line consists of short dashes.

## The Voices In My Head

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Musical score for "The Voices In My Head" at measure 105. The score includes parts for Soprano (S), Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo), Tenor (T), Bass (B), Piano (Pno.), Flute (Fl.), Violoncello (Vc.), Bass (Bass), Percussion (Perc), Modulated Synthesizer (Mod Synth), and Polyphonic Sound Generator (PSG). The vocal parts sing eighth-note patterns of "- - - -". The piano, flute, and cello also play eighth-note patterns. The bass part has sixteenth-note patterns. The percussion part consists of eighth-note patterns on a single note. The modulated synthesizer and PSG parts provide harmonic support.

105

S

Mezzo

T

B

Pno.

Fl.

Vc.

Bass

Perc

Mod Synth

PSG

## The Voices In My Head

109

S - - - -

Mezzo just wish the voices would tell me some-thing use-ful once in a whi-le like how to say things in French

T - - - -

B - - - -

Pno. piano  
109 heavily muted for a dry percussive sound  
maybe use a light sheet or towel to mute

Fl. - - - -

Vc. - - - -

Bass - - - -

Perc - - - -

Mod Synth - - - -

PSG - - - -

## The Voices In My Head

29

Soprano (S) - Treble clef, 4/4 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -

Mezzo-soprano (Mezzo) - Treble clef, 4/4 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -  
lyrics: or where my gloves went. But they hard-ly e - ver do. in fact ma-ny time the voic-es

Tenor (T) - Treble clef, 8/8 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -

Bass (B) - Bass clef, 4/4 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -

Piano (Pno.) - Treble clef, 4/4 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -  
lyrics: - - - -

Flute (Fl.) - Treble clef, 4/4 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -

Cello/Bassoon (Vc.) - Bass clef, 4/4 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -  
lyrics: - - - -

Bass (Bass) - Bass clef, 4/4 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -

Percussion (Perc) - Percussion symbols, 4/4 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) - Treble clef, 4/4 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -  
pitch: C, D, E, F#

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) - Treble clef, 4/4 time, dynamic II/3. Notes: - - - -

A musical score page for 'The Voices In My Head' at measure 30. The score includes parts for Soprano (S), Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo), Tenor (T), Bass (B), Piano (Pno.), Flute (Fl.), Violoncello (Vc.), Bass (Bass), Percussion (Perc), Modulated Synthesizer (Mod Synth), and Polyphonic Sound Generator (PSG). The vocal parts sing lyrics: "like to taunt me tell-ing me for in-stan-cto turn left at an in-ter sec-tion when I clear-ly should have turned right." The piano part features a continuous eighth-note chordal pattern. The flute and cello parts play eighth-note patterns. The bass part has a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. The percussion part consists of eighth-note patterns with 'x' marks. The synthesizer and PSG parts provide harmonic support with sustained notes.

Soprano (S) - Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) - Tenor (T) - Bass (B) - Piano (Pno.) - Flute (Fl.) - Violoncello (Vc.) - Bass (Bass) - Percussion (Perc) - Modulated Synthesizer (Mod Synth) - Polyphonic Sound Generator (PSG)

lyrics: like to taunt me tell-ing me for in-stan-cto turn left at an in-ter sec-tion when I clear-ly should have turned right.

Measure 30 starts with a piano introduction followed by vocal entries. The vocal parts sing the lyrics mentioned above. The piano part continues throughout the section. The flute and cello parts play eighth-note patterns. The bass part has a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. The percussion part consists of eighth-note patterns with 'x' marks. The synthesizer and PSG parts provide harmonic support with sustained notes.

## The Voices In My Head

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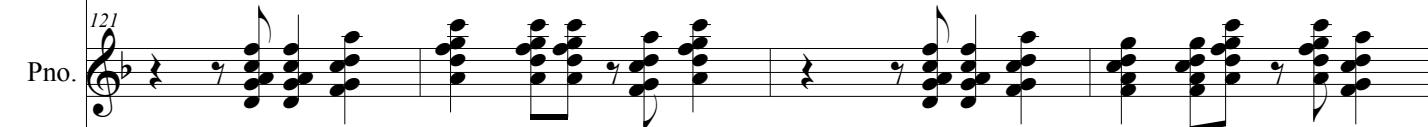
S - - - -

Mezzo   
Or tell-ing me to wear a tie that looks ri - dic - u - lous e-ven worse, some-time the voi-ces

T - - - -

B - - - -

121

Pno. 

121

Fl. - - - -

121

Vc. - - - -

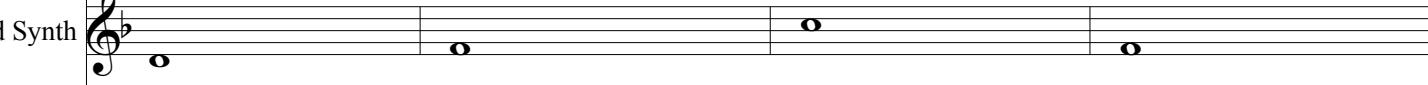
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Bass 

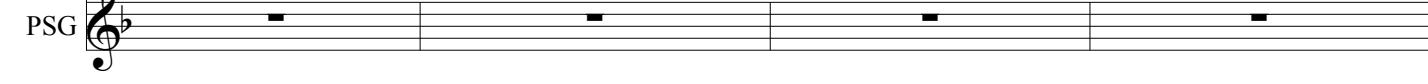
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Perc 

121

Mod Synth 

121

PSG 

Soprano (S) - 1st staff: Rests throughout.

Mezzo-soprano (Mezzo) - 2nd staff: Starts with eighth-note pairs, followed by eighth-note pairs with sixteenth-note grace notes, then eighth-note pairs with eighth-note grace notes, and finally eighth-note pairs with sixteenth-note grace notes. Includes lyrics: "them-selves don't know what they want. They'll tell me to go up \_\_\_\_\_ and talk to \_\_\_\_\_ a pret-ty wom-an then they'll say".

Tenor (T) - 3rd staff: Rests throughout.

Bass (B) - 4th staff: Rests throughout.

Piano (Pno.) - 5th staff: Playing eighth-note chords in a repeating pattern.

Flute (Fl.) - 6th staff: Rests throughout.

Cello/Bassoon (Vc.) - 7th staff: Playing eighth-note pairs with slurs and grace notes.

Bassoon (Bass) - 8th staff: Playing eighth-note pairs with grace notes.

Percussion (Perc) - 9th staff: Playing eighth-note patterns with 'x' marks above the notes.

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) - 10th staff: Playing open circles (dots).

Programmable Synthesizer (PSG) - 11th staff: Rests throughout.

## The Voices In My Head

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Soprano (S)      No, wait, she's too pret-ty \_\_\_ for you.      Oh, go a-head

Mezzo-soprano (Mezzo)      Then they'll say then they'll say

Tenor (T)      No, wait, she's too pret-ty \_\_\_ for you.      Oh, go a-head

Bass (B)      No, wait, she's too pret-ty \_\_\_ for you.      Oh, go a-head

Piano (Pno.)      129

Flute (Fl.)      129

Cello/Bassoon (Vc.)      129

Bassoon/Bass (Bass)      129

Percussion (Perc)      129

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth)      129

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG)      129

Soprano (S) starts with a single note followed by six eighth notes. The lyrics "What if your wife finds out?" are written below the staff.

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) begins with a rest, followed by a series of eighth notes. The lyrics "Man! Make up your mind!" and "when you tell people you have" are written below the staff.

Tenor (T) starts with a single note followed by six eighth notes. The lyrics "What if your wife finds out?" are written below the staff.

Bass (B) starts with a single note followed by six eighth notes. The lyrics "What if your wife finds out?" are written below the staff.

Piano (Pno.) starts with a rest, followed by a series of eighth-note chords. The tempo mark "133" is written above the staff.

Flute (Fl.) starts with a rest, followed by a series of eighth notes.

Violoncello (Vc.) starts with a rest, followed by a series of eighth notes. The tempo mark "133" is written above the staff.

Bass (B) continues with a series of eighth notes. The tempo mark "133" is written above the staff.

Percussion (Perc) starts with a rest, followed by a series of eighth notes marked with an "X".

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) starts with a rest, followed by four open circles.

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) starts with a rest, followed by four open circles. The tempo mark "133" is written above the staff.

## The Voices In My Head

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137

Soprano (S) - Rests throughout.

Mezzo (Mezzo) - Starts with eighth-note pairs, followed by lyrics: "voi - ces in your head they think you're cra - zy. But when you don't say a ny thing at all and you".

Tenor (T) - Rests throughout.

Bassoon (B) - Rests throughout.

Piano (Pno.) - Playing eighth-note chords.

Flute (Fl.) - Rests throughout.

Cello (Vc.) - Rests throughout.

Bass (Bass) - Playing eighth-note patterns.

Percussion (Perc) - Playing eighth-note patterns.

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) - Playing eighth-note patterns.

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) - Rests throughout.

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## The Voices In My Head

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Soprano (S) - Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) - Tenor (T) - Bass (B) - Piano (Pno.) - Flute (Fl.) - Violoncello (Vc.) - Bass (Bass) - Percussion (Perc) - Modulated Synthesizer (Mod Synth) - PSG (PSG)

just sit there and stare at them they al-so think you're cra - zy so you can't win. I thought a - bout

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145

S

Mezzo  
go-ing to a psy - cho-lo - gist to get \_ rid of the voic - es \_\_ but the voic-es said

T

B

Pno.

Fl.

Vc.

Bass

Perc

Mod Synth

PSG

## The Voices In My Head

Soprano (S) vocal line:

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) vocal line:

Tenor (T) vocal line:

Bass (B) vocal line:

Piano (Pno.) harmonic line:

Flute (Fl.) harmonic line:

Cello (Vc.) harmonic line:

Bass (Bass) harmonic line:

Percussion (Perc) rhythmic line:

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) harmonic line:

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) rhythmic line:

The vocal parts sing the lyrics:

it would be ex-pen-sive and would pro-ba-bly take a long time  
and I'd have to put on my pants and  
it would be ex-pen-sive and would pro-ba-bly take a long time

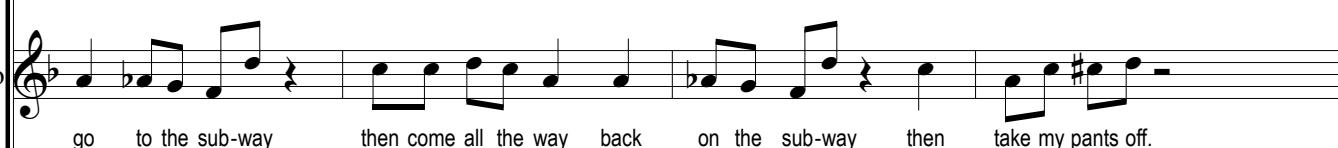
Measure numbers 149 are indicated above the piano and bass staves.

## The Voices In My Head

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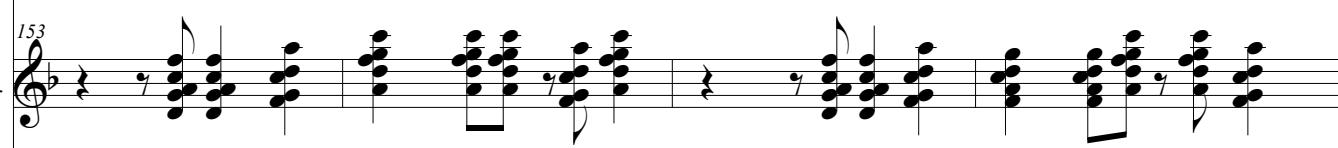
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S - - - - -

Mezzo   
go to the sub-way then come all the way back on the sub-way then take my pants off.

T - - - - -

B - - - - -

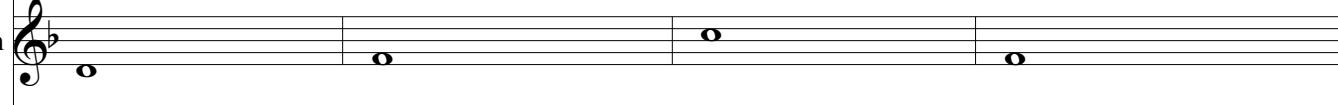
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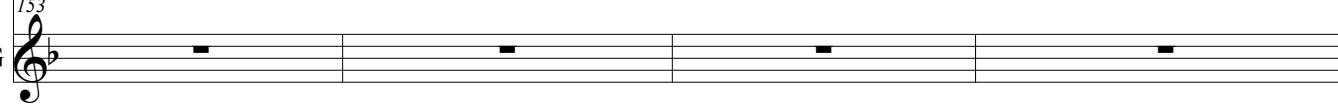
153 Fl. - - - - -

153 Vc. - - - - -

153 Bass 

153 Perc 

153 Mod Synth 

153 PSG 

Soprano (S) staff: Empty staff.

Mezzo-soprano (Mezzo) staff: Shows lyrics: "and who knows if \_\_\_\_ it would e - ven work? Some-time the voi - ces \_\_\_\_ have a point." The vocal line consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns with slurs.

Tenor (T) staff: Empty staff.

Bass (B) staff: Empty staff.

Piano (Pno.) staff: Starts at measure 157. Shows a rhythmic pattern of eighth-note chords in G major, followed by eighth-note chords with accidentals (F# major, C# major, G major, D major).

Flute (Fl.) staff: Starts at measure 157. Empty staff.

Cello/Bassoon (Vc.) staff: Starts at measure 157. Empty staff.

Bass staff: Starts at measure 157. Shows a bass clef and a single eighth note on the fourth line.

Percussion (Perc) staff: Starts at measure 157. Shows a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes and rests.

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) staff: Starts at measure 157. Empty staff.

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) staff: Starts at measure 157. Empty staff.

Ukelele staff: Located above the piano staff, indicating a part for the Ukelele.

Soprano (S) - mezzo and soprano exchange costumes

Mezzo-soprano (Mezzo) - mezzo hula hoops

Tenor (T) - switch from limbo contest to hula hooping

Bass (B) - switch from limbo contest to hula hooping

Piano (Pno.) - dynamic 161

Flute (Fl.) - dynamic 161

Cello (Vc.) - dynamic 161

Bass - dynamic 161

Percussion (Perc) - gliss up and down freely on low roto tom

Mod Synth/PSG - dynamic 161

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## The Voices In My Head

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Musical score for "The Voices In My Head" featuring ten staves of music. The staves are:

- Soprano (S): Stays silent throughout.
- Mezzo-Soprano: Stays silent throughout.
- Tenor (T): Stays silent throughout.
- Bass (B): Stays silent throughout.
- Piano (Pno.): Stays silent throughout.
- Flute (Fl.): Playing eighth-note patterns.
- Violoncello (Vc.): Stays silent throughout.
- Bass: Playing eighth-note patterns.
- Percussion (Perc): Playing sixteenth-note patterns.
- Mod Synth: Playing sustained notes.
- PSG: Stays silent throughout.

The tempo is marked as 165 BPM throughout the score.

Soprano (S) vocal line:

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) vocal line:

Tenor (T) vocal line:

Bass (B) vocal line:

Piano (Pno.) dynamic 169, instruction: lightly toss balls into piano, pedal down.

Flute (Fl.) vocal line:

Cello (Vc.) dynamic 169, pizzicato (pizz.)

Bassoon (Bass) dynamic 169, rhythmic pattern.

Percussion (Perc) dynamic 169, rhythmic pattern.

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) dynamic 169, sustained notes.

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) dynamic 169, rhythmic patterns.

# The Voices In My Head

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173

S once and for all. But I coul-n't fig-ure out how to do that, so I ne-ver did.

Mezzo

T 8

B

Pno.

Fl.

Vc.

Bass

Perc

Mod Synth

PSG

This musical score page contains eight staves of music. The vocal parts (Soprano, Mezzo-soprano, Tenor, Bass) are on the top four staves. The piano (Pno.) is on the fifth staff. The woodwind (Flute) and brass (Cello) parts are on the sixth staff. The bassoon (Bass) and percussion (Perc.) are on the seventh staff. The electronic parts (Mod Synth and PSG) are on the eighth staff. The vocal parts sing a line of lyrics: "once and for all. But I coul-n't fig-ure out how to do that, so I ne-ver did.". The piano part consists of eighth-note patterns. The woodwind part has a sixteenth-note flourish at the end. The brass part has a sixteenth-note flourish at the end. The bassoon part has a sixteenth-note pattern. The percussion part has a sixteenth-note pattern. The electronic parts have sustained notes. The tempo is marked as 173 BPM.

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: "May-be the ans-wer \_ is not to try to get rid of \_\_\_\_ the voic-es but to learn to live with them".

Mezzo-soprano (Mezzo) vocal line.

Tenor (T) vocal line.

Bass (B) vocal line.

Piano (Pno.) dynamic 177, eighth-note patterns.

Flute (Fl.) dynamic 177, sixteenth-note patterns.

Cello (Vc.) dynamic 177, eighth-note patterns.

Bassoon (Bass) dynamic 177, eighth-note patterns.

Percussion (Perc) dynamic 177, sixteenth-note patterns.

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) dynamic 177, sustained notes.

Programmable Synthesizer (PSG) dynamic 177, eighth-note chords.

# The Voices In My Head

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Soprano (S)      I don't really think that. I'm just saying that for the voices.  
[stage whisper]

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo)

Tenor (T)      8

Bass (B)

Piano (Pno.)

Flute (Fl.)

Cello (Vc.)

Bass (Bass)

Percussion (Perc)

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth)

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG)

Detailed description: This musical score page contains ten staves, each representing a different instrument or voice part. From top to bottom, the parts are: Soprano (S), Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo), Tenor (T), Bass (B), Piano (Pno.), Flute (Fl.), Cello (Vc.), Bass (Bass), Percussion (Perc), and Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth). The PSG part is at the bottom. The vocal parts (S, Mezzo, T, B) have lyrics written below them. The piano part has a dynamic marking '181' above it. The bass and percussions provide harmonic support. The modular synthesizer and PSG add electronic textures. The score is set against a grid of measures, with vertical bar lines dividing the measures and horizontal lines representing the staff for each instrument.

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: will I ev - er be a-ble to con - tol the voi - ces in my head.

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) vocal line.

Tenor (T) vocal line.

Bass (B) vocal line.

Piano (Pno.) dynamic 183, instruction: lightly toss balls into piano, pedal down.

Flute (Fl.) dynamic 183.

Cello (Vc.) dynamic 183.

Bass (Bass) dynamic 183.

Percussion (Perc) dynamic 183.

Modular Synthesizer (Mod Synth) dynamic 183.

Programmable Sound Generator (PSG) dynamic 183.

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Soprano (S) vocal line:

Mezzo-Soprano (Mezzo) vocal line:

Tenor (T) vocal line:

Bass (B) vocal line:

Piano (Pno.):

Flute (Fl.):

Violoncello (Vc.):

Bass (Bass):

Percussion (Perc):

Modulated Synthesizer (Mod Synth):

PSG:

## The Voices In My Head

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Soprano (S) vocal line: voices are not a threat to me or others? But I'm not

Mezzo-soprano (Mezzo) vocal line: a - gain the ans-<sup>3</sup>wer is no.

Tenor (T) vocal line: a - gain the ans-<sup>3</sup>wer is no.

Bass (B) vocal line: a - gain the ans-<sup>3</sup>wer is no.

Pno. (Piano) dynamic: 191

Fl. (Flute) dynamic: 191

Vc. (Cello) dynamic: 191

Bass (Bassoon) dynamic: 191

Percussion (Perc) dynamic: 191

Mod Synth (Modular Synthesizer) dynamic: 191

PSG (Programmable Sound Generator) dynamic: 191

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## The Voices In My Head

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Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: rea-dy to throw in the tow'l just yet be-cause one thing I have learned is this:

Mezzo (Mezzo) vocal line (rests)

Tenor (T) vocal line (rests)

Bass (B) vocal line (rests)

Pno. (Pno.) piano line (rests)

Fl. (Fl.) flute line (rests)

Vc. (Vc.) cello/bassoon line (rests)

Bass (Bass) bassoon line (rests)

Perc (Perc) percussion line (crosses)

Mod Synth (Mod Synth) modulated synthesizer line (dots)

PSG (PSG) sequencer/guitar line (dots)

## The Voices In My Head

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Musical score for "The Voices In My Head" featuring ten instrumental parts. The vocal parts (Soprano, Mezzo-Soprano, Tenor) sing the lyrics: "the voic - es may be boss-y but they're real-ly stu-pid." The piano part provides harmonic support with chords. The flute, cello, bass, and percussions provide rhythmic and harmonic depth. The modulated synthesizer and PSG (Programmable Sound Generator) add electronic elements to the composition.

The score includes the following parts:

- Soprano (S): Vocal line with lyrics.
- Mezzo-Soprano: Vocal line.
- Tenor: Vocal line.
- Bass: Vocal line.
- Piano (Pno.): Harmonic support with chords.
- Flute (Fl.): Melodic line.
- Cello (Vc.): Melodic line.
- Bass (Bass): Melodic line.
- Percussion (Perc.): Rhythmic patterns.
- Modulated Synthesizer (Mod Synth): Electronic sound.
- Programmable Sound Generator (PSG): Electronic sound.

Measure numbers 199 are indicated above most staves. The vocal line starts at measure 199 with the lyrics: "the voic - es may be boss-y but they're real-ly stu-pid."