

# Sound Of Silence

Simon & Garfunkel

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- Ami** **G**  
1. Hello darkness my old friend  
**Ami**  
I've come to talk with you again  
**F C**  
Because a vision softly creeping  
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Left its seeds while I was sleeping.  
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And the vision that was planted in my brain  
**Ami G Ami**  
Still remains within the sound of silence.
2. In restless dreams I walked alone,  
Narrow streets of cobble-stone,  
'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 spilt the night and touched the sound of silence.
3. 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 dare disturb the sound of silence.
4. "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.
5. 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 whisper'd in the sound of silence.