

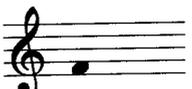
A ROOM

Performance Notes

This piece may also be performed with or without the preparations. The rhythmic structure is 2 (4, 7, 2, 5, 4, 7, 2, 3, 5). The piece is the third part of "SHE IS ASLEEP."

Table of Preparations

Objects may be placed between the strings of a grand piano, transforming the sounds with respect to all of their characteristics.

From damper in inches strings 2 - 3	Material	From bridge in inches strings 1 - 2	Material
2 	long bolt	near bridge 	rubber (over 2, under 1, 3)
8 	large bolt	5 $\frac{1}{4}$ 	bolt
2 	long bolt	1 $\frac{3}{8}$ 	bolt with rubber
6 	large bolt	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ 	medium bolt
6 $\frac{7}{8}$ 	penny (under 2, over 1, 3)	2 	medium bolt
8 	weather stripping (over 2, under 1, 3)		

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JOHN CAGE
(1943)

sempre una corda, ppp

The musical score consists of ten staves of music. The first staff begins with the instruction *sempre una corda, ppp*. The music is written in treble clef and features a variety of rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, rests, and slurs. The notation includes dynamic markings such as *ppp* and *mf*, and includes a fermata over a chord in the fifth staff. The overall style is characteristic of Cage's experimental and minimalist compositions.

This page contains ten staves of musical notation. The notation is written in a single system across the page. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The music consists of a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, often beamed together. The second staff through the sixth staff feature a complex rhythmic pattern with many beamed notes and some rests. The seventh staff includes a measure with a fermata over a whole note. The eighth staff has a measure with a fermata over a half note. The ninth staff continues the melodic line with various note values. The tenth staff concludes the piece with a double bar line and a final chord.