

Full Score

Gwyneth Walker

By Walden Pond

A celebration of the writings of Henry David Thoreau,
for Orchestra and Narrator

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Duration: 16 minutes

Instrumentation

Piccolo
2 Flutes
2 Oboes
2 Clarinets in B flat
2 Bassoons

4 Horns in F
3 Trumpets in C (B flat parts available)
3 Trombones
Tuba

Percussion (Three Players)

High and Low Bongos, Tenor Drum, Wood Block, Temple Blocks,
Triangle, Suspended Cymbal, Glockenspiel, Medium and Low Tom-Toms,
Tambourine, Crash Cymbals, Bass Drum

Violin 1
Violin 2
Viola
Violoncello
Contrabass

Program Notes

BY WALDEN POND, subtitled “a celebration of the writings of Henry David Thoreau, for Orchestra and Narrator,” brings Thoreau’s words to the concert stage, through readings and musical expression. As the Narrator presents Thoreau’s observations on Nature, the orchestra provides a musical commentary to the “expedition.”

The texts are taken from Thoreau’s Walden and the Journals, dating from the 1850s. These writings chronicle the writer’s sojourns in the woods of Massachusetts. But, Thoreau’s exploration is beyond a geographic location. He is seeking the depths of life’s meaning, the truth that comes when one chooses to “live deliberately, to live deep and suck out all the marrow of life.” He wishes to know “an entire heaven and an entire earth!”

His writings are sincere, and often ecstatic – a reverence for the beauty of the woods; a delight in the small berries and cobwebs; the fresh energy of “mornings of creation.” Seeking eternity, he writes: “I would drink deeper; fish in the sky, whose bottom is pebbly with stars.”

BY WALDEN POND comprises ten short movements, framed by a Prologue and Epilogue. These outer sections portray the young writer heading off into the woods, and later returning home. Marked “at a jaunty tempo, as if setting out on a walk into the woods,” the Prologue introduces the “setting forth” theme in the Clarinet, a theme that will later return when Thoreau prepares to head home (right before the Epilogue).

The central movements are brief observations on Nature. The listener might choose to hear these as “journal entries,” rather than complete movements. The readings and music focus on a few images or perceptions:

- “Remember Thy Creator” – let the thunder rumble
- “I Seek Acquaintance With Nature” – I wish to know and entire heaven, and an entire earth
- “I Perceive the Spring in the Softened Air” – the softened air of Spring
- “Mornings” – a coffee percolator (!)
- “Interlude” – more morning joy, and the percolator
- “Dry, Hazy June Weather” – heaviness, exhaustion from summer heat
- “Dew on the Cobwebs” – dropped from the fairy shoulders that danced on the grass last night!
- “The First Star is Lit” – evening sky, a single star

This is the world of Henry David Thoreau – a world of beauty and imagination for those who sojourn *BY WALDEN POND*.

-notes by the composer

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1. Prologue

At a jaunty tempo $\text{♩} = 126$
as if setting out on a walk into the woods

Piccolo

Flutes 1
2

Oboes 1
2

B Clarinets 1
2

Bassoons 1
2

Horns in F 1
2
3
4

Trumpets in C 1
2
3

Trombones 1
2
3

Tuba

Percussion

Bongo w/ sticks
p

Violins 1
2

Viola

Violoncello

Contrabass

At a jaunty tempo $\text{♩} = 126$
as if setting out on a walk into the woods

tip of bow

p lightly

tip of bow

p lightly

tip of bow

p lightly

5

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cl. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Perc.

Tambourine

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

pizz.

p

A

Cl. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Perc.

Triangle

p

A

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

13

Fls.
Clrs.
Bsns.
Perc.
Vlns.
Vla.
Vlc.
Cb.

17 **B**

Fls.
Obs.
Clrs.
Vlns.
Vla.
Vlc.
Cb.

2I

Picc.

Fls. 1
2 *mf*

Obs. 1
2 *mf*

Cls. 1
2 *mf*

Bsns. 1
2

Perc.

Bongo w/ sticks *p*

Vlns. 1
2 *mf*

Vla. *mf*

Vlc. *pizz.*
mf

Cb. *pizz.*
mf

arco

arco

The score consists of ten staves. The first five staves (Picc., Fls., Obs., Cls., Bsns.) are grouped together with measure lines. The Perc. staff is below them. The last four staves (Vlns., Vla., Vlc., Cb.) are grouped together with measure lines. Measure 1: Picc. rests. Fls. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Obs. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Cls. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Bsns. 1 and 2 rest. Perc. rests. Measure 2: Fls. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Obs. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Cls. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Bsns. 1 and 2 rest. Perc. rests. Measure 3: Fls. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Obs. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Cls. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Bsns. 1 and 2 rest. Perc. rests. Measure 4: Fls. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Obs. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Cls. 1 and 2 play eighth-note pairs. Bsns. 1 and 2 rest. Perc. rests. Measure 5: Vlns. 1 and 2 play sixteenth-note patterns. Vla. plays sixteenth-note patterns. Vlc. plays eighth-note pairs. Cb. plays eighth-note pairs. Measures 6-7: Continue from measure 5. Measure 8: Vlns. 1 and 2 play sixteenth-note patterns. Vla. plays sixteenth-note patterns. Vlc. plays eighth-note pairs. Cb. plays eighth-note pairs. Measure 9: Vlns. 1 and 2 play sixteenth-note patterns. Vla. plays sixteenth-note patterns. Vlc. plays eighth-note pairs. Cb. plays eighth-note pairs. Measure 10: Vlns. 1 and 2 play sixteenth-note patterns. Vla. plays sixteenth-note patterns. Vlc. plays eighth-note pairs. Cb. plays eighth-note pairs.

25 **C**

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Cl. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

Perc.

C

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

f

non div.

div.

Tri.

29

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2 *(+2.)* *f*

Cls. 1 2 *a2* *f*

Bsns. 1 2

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2 *unis.*

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

33

Clss. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

p



NARRATOR walks on stage dressed in simple outdoor clothing.

NARRATOR reads (*while Solo Violin and Violoncello play unobtrusively in the background*):

I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what I had to teach, and not, when I came to die, discover that I had not lived.

37 **D** Solo

Vlns. 1

p

repeat figure until cued to continue

Vlc.

p

repeat figure until cued to continue

E Solo

Vlns. 1

(**p**)

repeat figure until cued to continue

Vlc.

(**p**)

p



I do not wish to live what was not life, living is so dear, nor did I wish to practice resignation, unless it was quite necessary.

38 **E** Solo

Vlns. 1

(**p**)

repeat figure until cued to continue

Vlc.

(**p**)

repeat figure until cued to continue

I wanted to live deep and suck out all the marrow of life, to live sturdily and Spartan-like as to put to rout all that was not life, to cut a broad swath and shave close, to drive life into a corner, and reduce it to its lowest terms, and if it proved to be mean, why then to get the whole and genuine meanness of it, and publish its meanness to the world;

repeat figure until cued to continue

F

Vlns. 1 (p) repeat figure until cued to continue

Vlc. (p)

or if it were sublime, to know it by experience, and be able to give a true account of it in my next excursion.

repeat figure until cued to continue

G

Vlns. 1 (p) repeat figure until cued to continue

Vlc. (p)

H

Picc. Fls. 1 2 Obs. 1 2 Cls. 1 2 Bsns. 1 2

Bongo w/ sticks Tenor Drum Tri. f

Perc.

H

(Solo) Tutti non div.

Vlns. 1 2 Vla. Vlc. Cb.

(Solo) Tutti f

45

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cls. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

div. \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark *unis.*

49

Picc. *p*

Fls. 1 2 *p*

Obs. 1 2 *p*

Cls. 1 2 *p* 2. *o*
(1.)

Bsns. 1 2 *p*

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2 *p*

Vla. *p*

Vlc. *pizz.* *arco*

Cb. *pizz.* *arco*

rit.

This musical score page contains two systems of music. The top system includes parts for Picc., Fls., Obs., Cls., and Bsns. The Picc. part has a melodic line with grace notes. The Fls. and Obs. parts play eighth-note patterns in triplets. The Cls. and Bsns. parts provide harmonic support. The bottom system includes parts for Perc., Vlns., Vla., Vlc., and Cb. The Vlns. and Vla. parts play eighth-note patterns with vertical stems. The Vlc. and Cb. parts play eighth-note patterns with horizontal stems. The Cb. part also indicates *pizz.* and *arco* dynamics. Both systems conclude with a ritardando, indicated by the *rit.* instruction.

2. Remember Thy Creator

NARRATOR:

Remember thy creator in the days of thy youth.
 Rise free from care before the dawn and seek adventures.
 Let the noon find thee by other lakes,
 and the night overtake thee everywhere at home.
 Grow wild according to thy nature.
 Let the thunder rumble.
 Take shelter under the cloud.
 Enjoy the land, but own it not.

(begin music)

Ominously ♩ = 100
as a thunderstorm approaching

5 drums of differing pitches

Perc.

B. D. *p ff*

Cr. Cyms. *ff*

Bsns. 1 2 *accel. a2 ff*

Hns. 1 2 3 4 *p ff*

Tpts. 1 2 3 *p ff*

Tbns. 1 2 3 *p ff*

Tuba *p ff*

Perc. *p ff ff ff ff*

Cb. *p ff*

A Faster ♩ = 120

9

Bsns. 1 2 *p* — *ff*

Hns. 1 2 *p* — *ff*

Tpts. 1 2 3 *p* — *ff*

Tbns. 1 2 *p* — *ff*

Tuba *p* — *ff*

Perc.

Cb. *p* — *ff*

13 *with building energy*

Bsns. 1 2 **p sub.** **f** **p sub.** **rit.**

Hns. 1 2 *a2* **p sub.** **f** *a2* **p sub.** *a2* **p sub.** *a2* **p sub.**

Tpts. 1 **f** **p sub.** *a2* **p sub.** *a2* **p sub.** *a2* **p sub.**

Tbns. 1 2 *a2* **p sub.** **f** **p sub.** *a2* **p sub.** *a2* **p sub.**

Tuba 3 **p sub.** **f** **p sub.**

Perc. Susp. Cym. **p** **f** **p**

Cb. **p sub.** **f** **p sub.**

B Grandly $\text{♩} = 100$

17

Bsns. 1
Bsns. 2

Hns. 1
Hns. 2
Hns. 3
Hns. 4

Tpts. 1
Tpts. 2
Tpts. 3

Tbns. 1
Tbns. 2
Tbns. 3

Tuba

Perc.

Low Tom-Tom

Cb.

22

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2 3 4

Tpts. 1 2 3

Tbns. 1 2

Tuba

Perc.

Cb.

Bongo

f

mp

NARRATOR (*read slowly*):
Enjoy the land... but own it not.

D With motion $\text{J} = 120$

C 27

Cl. 1 2
Bsns. 1 2
Hns. 1 2 3 4
Tpts. 1 2 3
Tbns. 1 2 3
Tuba
Perc.
Tri.
Cb.

30 (1.)

Cl. 1 2
Vla.

rit.

(+2.)

mf

con sord.

3. I Seek Acquaintance With Nature

Flowing ♩. = 108

Fls. 1 2
Clrs. 1 2
Bsns. 1 2
Vlns. 1 2
Vla.
Vlc.
Cb.

Flowing ♩. = 108
con sord.

1.

2.

3.

(reading synchronizes approximately with the music – words in bold come on downbeats)

NARRATOR: I want to go soon and live away by the

Fls. 1 2
Clrs. 1 2
Bsns. 1 2

A

1.

2.

3.

4.

Vlns. 1 2
Vla.
Vlc.
Cb.

A

pizz.

1.

2.

3.

4.

p
pizz.

p
pizz.

p
pizz.

p
pizz.

p
pizz.

pond,

where I shall hear only the wind

7

p

a2 *a2*

p

p

(1.)

arco

pizz.

p *pizz.*

p *pizz.*

p *pizz.*

p *pizz.*

p *pizz.*

p

whispering among the reeds.

10

a2 *a2*

p

p

arco

arco

arco

arco

arco

arco

arco

It will be enough if I shall leave myself behind.

13 [B]

13 [B]

Obs. 1
2

Clrs. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

—quaintance with nature, to know her moods and her manners.

17

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Clrs. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

(p)

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

(reading begins in middle of measure)

I wish to know
an entire heaven, and an entire earth!

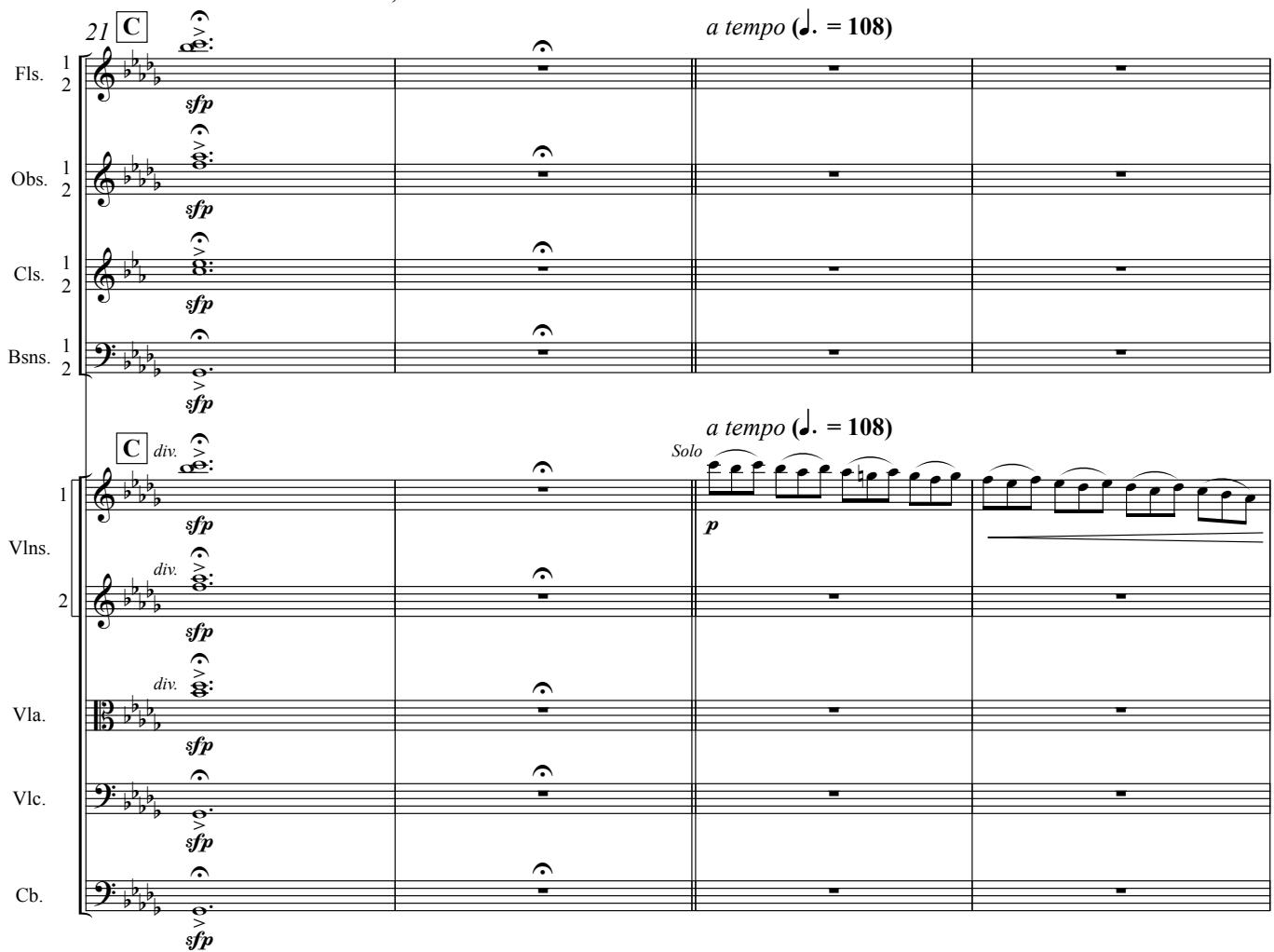
21 [C] 

a tempo (♩. = 108)

Fls. 1 2 
Obs. 1 2 
Cl. 1 2 
Bsns. 1 2 

Vlns. 1  
Vlns. 2 
Vla. 
Vlc. 
Cb. 


Solo 



25 **D**

Fls. 1 2 *f* —

Obs. 1 2 —

Cl. 1 2 —

Bsns. 1 2 *f* —

D *Tutti, unis.*

Vlns. 1 2 *f* *unis.* —

Vla. 1 2 *f* *unis.* —

Vlc. 1 2 *f* —

Cb. 1 2 *f* —

28 —

Fls. 1 2 — *p* *f*

Obs. 1 2 — *p*

Cl. 1 2 — *p*

Bsns. 1 2 — *p* *f*

Vlns. 1 2 — *p* *f*

Vla. 1 2 — *p* *f*

Vlc. 1 2 — *p* *f*

Cb. 1 2 — *p* *f*

31

Fls. 1 2
Obs. 1 2
Cl. 1 2
Bsns. 1 2

E

Vlns. 1 2
Vla. 1 2
Vlc. 1 2
Cb. 1 2

35

Fls. 1 2
Obs. 1 2
Cl. 1 2
Bsns. 1 2

Vlns. 1 2
Vla. 1 2
Vlc. 1 2
Cb. 1 2

I wish to know
an entire heaven,

39

Fls. 1 2 rit.

Obs. 1 2 *sfp*

Cls. 1 2 *sfp*

Bsns. 1 2 *sfp*

Vlns. 1 2 *sfp*

Vla. *sfp*

Vlc. *sfp*

Cb. *sfp*

F *sfp*

rit.

F *div. sfp*

42 and an entire earth!

Fls. 1 2 *a tempo*

Obs. 1 2 *mf*

Cls. 1 2 *mf*

Bsns. 1 2 *mf*

rit.

p

a tempo

Vlns. 1 2 *mf*

Vla. 1 2 *mf*

Vlc. 1 2 *mf*

Cb. 1 2 *mf*

unis.

rit.

div. sfp

p

p

p

p

p

p

p

via sord.

4. I Perceive the Spring in the Softened Air

Lively ♩ = 132

Perc.

Woodblock *p*

Hi & Low Bongos
(played w/ hands)

Fls. 1 2 *p* 5 18

Obs. 1 2 *p*

Cls. 1 2 *p* 8 18 8

Perc.

(con sord.)

Vlns. 1 *p* very smoothly, as the "softened air" of spring

Vlns. 2 *p* very smoothly, as the "softened air" of spring

(con sord.)

Vla. *p* gente tremolo, at the tip

Vlc. *p* gente tremolo, at the tip

NARRATOR: I perceive the Spring in the

8

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cl. 1 2

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

A

softened air,

II

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cl. 1 2

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

softened air.

14

Fls. 1 2
Obs. 1 2
Clz. 1 2

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2
Vla.
Vlc.

B Looking through the transparent vapors, all surfaces look more

B

17

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2
Vla.
Vlc.

The harshness of winter

vivid.

20

Fls. 1
2
(*p*)

Obs. 1
2
(*p*)

Cls. 1
2
(*p*)

Perc.



is relaxed.

rit.

23

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2
bassoon

Cls. 1
2
bassoon

Perc.

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

rit.

(start reading in middle of measure)

C

26

(ecstatically) I do not know that the woods
are ever more beautiful,

or affect me more.

Perc.

Musical score for measures 26-27. The score includes two staves: Percussion and Violin 1. Both parts play eighth-note patterns. Measure 26 starts with a single eighth note followed by a sixteenth note rest. Measure 27 continues with eighth-note patterns.

C

1

Vlns.

2

Vla.

Vlc.

Musical score for measures 27-28. The score includes four staves: Violin 1 (1), Violin 2 (2), Cello (Vla.), and Bassoon (Vlc.). All parts play eighth-note patterns. Measure 27 starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth note rests. Measure 28 continues with eighth-note patterns.

D a tempo

rit.

How silent are the footsteps of Spring!

Fls.

1

2

Obs.

1

2

Cls.

1

2

Perc.

Tri.

pp

D a tempo

rit.

Vlns.

1

2

Vla.

Vlc.

pp

pp

pp

pp

E
31 *a tempo* ($\text{♩} = 132$)

Perc. Woodblock



35 *with excitement for the joy of Spring*

Fls. 1
2 *p*

Obs. 1
2 *p*

Cls. 1
2 *p*

Perc.

with excitement for the joy of Spring
unis.

Vlns. 1 *p*
unis.

2 *p*
unis.

Vla. *p*
unis.

Vlc. *p*
unis.

39

Fls. 1 2 *cresc.*

Obs. 1 2 *(+2.)* *cresc.*

Clz. 1 2 *tr.* *cresc.*

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2 *cresc.*

Vla. *cresc.*

Vlc. *cresc.*

rit. *div.*

How silent are the
footsteps of Spring!

F

43

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Clz. 1 2

Perc.

Vlns. 1

Vla.

Vlc.

Tri.

pp

[keep bows held high
into next movement]

5. Mornings

Quickly ♩ = 160
with the energy of morning

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cls. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

3 4

Tpts. 1 2

3 4

Tbns. 1 2

3 4

Tuba

Hi & Low Bongos
 (played w/ sticks)

Perc.

(as a coffee percolator)

Quickly ♩ = 160
with the energy of morning

[bows remain high from previous movement]

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

[lower bows, via sord.]

senza sord.,
 pizz.

arco

p

7

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cl. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

3 4

Tpts. 1

2 3

Tbns. 1 2

3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1

2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

A

A *senza sord.,
pizz.*

B *p
senza sord.,
pizz.*

p

II

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cl. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

3 4

Tpts. 1 2

3 4

Tbns. 1 2

3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

poco cresc.

mp

B*spoken in rhythm – with the energy of morning***NARRATOR:** | ♩ ♩ ♩ | ♩ ♩ ♩ | ♩ ♩ ♩ ♩ ♩ |

There are from time to time.

15

Picc.
Fls. 1
Fls. 2
Obs. 1
Obs. 2
Cls. 1
Cls. 2
Bsns. 1
Bsns. 2
Hns. 1
Hns. 2
Hns. 3
Hns. 4
Tpts. 1
Tpts. 2
Tpts. 3
Tpts. 4
Tbns. 1
Tbns. 2
Tbns. 3
Tuba
Perc.
Vlns. 1
Vlns. 2
Vla.
Vlc.
Cb.

B

18

Narr. - | ⋮ morn - ⋮ ings, ⋮ | - ⋮ both in

Picc. *p*

Fls. 1 2 *p*

Obs. 1 2 *p*

Cls. 1 2 *p*

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

3 4

Tpts. 1 2 3

Tbns. 1 2 3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

21

Narr. Sum - mer and in Win - ter, | - | morn - - - ings,- |

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Cls. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

3
4

Tpts. 1
2
3

Tbns. 1
2

3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

24

C
with excitement

Narr. - { when es - pec - ial - ly the world | seems to be - gin a -

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Cls. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

3
4

Tpts. 1
2
3

Tbns. 1
2

3

Tuba

Perc. { (p)

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

C

arco
(p)
arco
(p)
arco
(p)
arco
(p)

Narr. d
new.

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Cl. 1
2 *a2*

Bsns. 1
2 *p*

Hns. 1
2 *p*

3
4 *p*

Tpts. 1
2 *p* *a2*

3
4 *p*

Tbns. 1
2

3
4 *p*

Tuba *p*

(Hi & Low Bongos w/ sticks)

Perc.

Med. and Low Tom-Toms

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

31 [D]

Narr. | . morn - ings! | . morn - ings!

Picc. | f | | f | |

Fls. 1 | f | | | |

Obs. 1 | f | | | |

Cl. 1 | f | | | |

Bsns. 1 | a2 | | | |

Hns. 1 | f | | | |

Tpts. 1 | f | | | |

Tbns. 1 | f | | | |

Tuba | f | | | |

Perc. | f > > > | | p | f | | p | |

Vlns. 1 | f | | | |

Vla. | f | | | |

Vlc. | f > > > | | v | > > > | |

Cb. | f > > > | | v | > > > | |

rit.

Narr. morn - ings! morn - ings!

Picc. (f)

Fls. 1 2 (f)

Obs. 1 2 (f)

Cls. 1 2 (f)

Bsns. 1 2 (f) >

Hns. 1 2 (f)

3 4 (f)

Tpts. 1 2 (f)

3 (f) >

Tbns. 1 2 (f)

3 (f) >

Tuba (f)

Perc. (f) > > >

f p f p rit.

Vlns. 1 (f)

2 (f)

Vla. (f)

Vlc. (f) > > >

Cb. (f) > > >

39 [E]

Narr. The world has been
recreated in the night

[F]

Mornings of creation,
I call them.

[G]

| It is the poet's hour.
Mornings when we are newborn,
we who have the seeds of life in us.

Picc. 1 2

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cl. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

Tpts. 1 2 3

Tbns. 1 2 3

Tuba

Perc.

Tri.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

[E]

[F] Solo

[G]

42 Start slowly and accel.

H Celebratory ♩ = 160

43

Narr. - - - morn - ings!

Picc. - - - -

Fls. 1 2 a2 p f f f f

Obs. 1 2 - - - -

Cls. 1 2 1. p f f f f

Bsns. 1 2 - - - -

Hns. 1 2 - - - -

Tpts. 1 2 3 - - - -

Tbns. 1 2 - - - -

3 - - - -

Tuba - - - - f >

Hi Bongo p - - - -

Med. and Low Tom-Toms f - - - -

Perc. - - - - - - - -

Start slowly and accel.

H Celebratory ♩ = 160

Vlns. 1 2 Tutti, (arco) p div. f f f f

Tutti, pizz. arco f f f f

Vla. 1 2 Tutti, pizz. arco f f f f

Vlc. 1 2 p f > > >

Cb. 1 2 - - - - f > > >

46

Narr. morn - ings! morn - ings! morn - ings!

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Cls. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tpts. 1
2
3

Tbns. 1
2
3

Tuba

Perc. > > >

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

accel.

50

Music score for orchestra and narrator. The score consists of two systems of four measures each. The instrumentation includes Narr., Picc., Fls. 1 & 2, Obs. 1 & 2, Cls. 1 & 2, Bsns. 1 & 2, Hns. 1 & 2, Tpts. 1 & 2, Tbns. 1 & 2, Tuba, Perc., Vlns. 1 & 2, Vla., Vlc., and Cb. The vocal part "morn - ings!" is written above the Narr. staff. Measure 1 starts with a fermata on the Narr. followed by eighth-note pairs on Picc., Fls., Obs., Cls., Bsns., Hns., Tpts., Tbns., and Tuba. Measures 2-4 show eighth-note pairs on Picc., Fls., Obs., Cls., Bsns., Hns., Tpts., Tbns., and Tuba. Measure 5 starts with eighth-note pairs on Picc., Fls., Obs., Cls., Bsns., Hns., Tpts., Tbns., and Tuba, followed by eighth-note pairs on Vlns. 1 & 2, Vla., Vlc., and Cb. The dynamic is *attacca*. Measure 6 continues with eighth-note pairs on Picc., Fls., Obs., Cls., Bsns., Hns., Tpts., Tbns., and Tuba, followed by eighth-note pairs on Vlns. 1 & 2, Vla., Vlc., and Cb. The dynamic is *fl**.

6. Interlude

Quickly, with much energy $\text{♩} = 168$

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Cls. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2 (f)

Hns. 1
2

3
4

Tpts. 1

2
3

Tbns. 1
2

3 (f)

Tuba (f)

Perc. (f) Hi Bongo

Quickly, with much energy $\text{♩} = 168$

Vlns. 1

2

Vla.

Vcl. (f)

Cb. (f)

> div.

unis.

> div.

unis.

A

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Cl. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tpts. 1

Tbn. 1
2

Tba.

Perc.

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

A

unis.

(*f*)

unis.

>

> *div.*

unis.

> *div.*

unis.

> *div.*

unis.

II

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cl. 1 2 *a2*

Bsns. 1 2 *a2*

Hns. 1 2

3 4

Tpts. 1

Tpts. 2 3

Tbns. 1 2

Tuba

Perc. (Temple Blocks)

Vlns. 1

Vlns. 2

Vla. *div.*

Vlc. *div.*

Cb.

The musical score consists of ten staves of music. The top five staves are woodwind instruments: Piccolo (Picc.), Flutes (Fls.), Oboe (Obs.), Clarinet (Cl.), and Bassoon (Bsns.). The middle five staves are brass and percussion: Horn (Hns.), Trombones (Tpts.), Tuba, Percussion (Perc.), and Temple Blocks. The bottom five staves are strings: Violin (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello (Cv.), and Double Bass (Cb.). The score is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. Measure 1 starts with eighth-note patterns in the woodwinds and bassoon. Measures 2-5 show more complex patterns with sixteenth notes and rests. Measures 6-10 continue the rhythmic patterns, with some dynamic markings like accents and slurs. The percussion part includes sustained notes and eighth-note patterns. The strings provide harmonic support with sustained notes and eighth-note patterns.

B

16

Med. and Low Tom-Toms

B

div.

Vlns.

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

Conductor keep baton raised
until start of next movement.

21

Picc.

Fls.

Obs.

Clz.

Bsns.

Hns.

Tpts.

Tbns.

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns.

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

Low Bongo

Low Tom

f

p

f

div.

snap pizz.

snap pizz.

7. Dry, Hazy June Weather

NARRATOR (*read slowly*):

[conduct in one]

It is dry, hazy June weather.

**Played limply, with the exhaustion of hot summer weather*

We are more of the earth, farther from heaven these days.

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Clz. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2 *p*

Hns. 1 2 *p*

Tpts. 1 2 3

Tbns. 1 2 *p*

Tuba 1 2 *p*

B. D. - muffled (dead sound)

Perc. *p*

Played limply, with the exhaustion of hot summer weather

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc. *arco, div.* 1 2 *p*

Cb. *arco* 1 2 *p*

***Note to Conductor:** The length of the “played” measure(s) should be approximately the same length as the “spoken” measures.”

Walker / By Walden Pond / 7. Dry, Hazy June Weather

We are getting deeper into
the mists of the earth.

The season of hope
and promise is past;

5 **A**

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cl. 1 2 *p*

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

Tpts. 1 2 3

Tbns. 1 2 3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla. *div.* *p*

Vlc.

Cb.

already the season of
small fruits has arrived,

the season when
berries are ripe.

9 **B**

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2 *p*

Cls. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

3 4

Tpts. 1 2 *a2* *p*

2 3

1 2

Tbns. 1 2

3

Tuba

Perc. **B**

Vlns. 1

2 *div.* *p*

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

The prospect of the
heavens is taken away,

and we are presented with
only a few, small berries.

13 [C]

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

p

Obs. 1 2

Cls. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

Tpts. 1 2

Tbns. 1 2

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

p

Vla.

Vlc. div.

(play an octave higher if necessary)

Cb.

D Quickly, *ad lib.*
suggestive of a few small berries

17

f

rit.

8. Dew On the Cobwebs

Joyfully $\text{d.} = 72$

Picc.

Perc.

Vlns. 1
pizz., unis.

Vlns. 2
pizz., unis.

Vla.
pizz., unis.

Vlc.
pizz.

Cb.
pizz.

5 **A** 1.

Obs. 1
mf

Obs. 2

Tamb.

Perc.

Vlns. 1
pizz.

Vlns. 2
pizz.

Vla.
pizz.

Vlc.

Cb.

9

Obs. 1 2 *mf* *p*

Perc. *p* *mf* *p* *mf*

Vlns. 1 *pizz.* *p* *mf* *arco*
2 *pizz.* *p* *mf* *arco*
Vla. *pizz.* *p* *mf* *arco*
Vlc. *pizz.* *p* *mf* *arco*
Cb. *pizz.* *p* *mf* *arco*



13

Obs. 1 2

Perc. *p*

Vlns. 1 *pizz.* *pizz.* *pizz.*
2 *pizz.* *pizz.* *pizz.*
Vla. *pizz.* *pizz.* *pizz.*
Vlc. *pizz.* *pizz.* *pizz.*
Cb. *pizz.* *pizz.* *pizz.*

(reading is approximately synchronized with the music)

NARRATOR: Everywhere there is dew on the cobwebs,

little gossamer veils,

17 **B**

Obs. 1 2 Perc.

Vlns. 1 2 Vla. Vlc. Cb.

B

p p p p



and scarfs as big as your hand.

22 Obs. 1 2 Perc.

Vlns. 1 2 Vla. Vlc. Cb.

Solo arco *gliss.* *Tutti (pizz.)* *Altri (pizz.)* *Tutti (pizz.)* *Altri (pizz.)* *Solo arco* *gliss.* *Tutti (pizz.)* *Altri (pizz.)* *Tutti (pizz.)* *Altri (pizz.)*

Tri.

They were dropped from the fairy shoulders that danced on the grass last night.

26

Obs. 1 2 Hi & Low Bongos (played w/ hands)

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

p p p p p

31 [C]

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Perc.

Tamb.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

mf mf mf mf

[C] arco
arco
mf arco
mf arco
mf arco
mf arco

[During this section NARRATOR might "explore" the stage, looking for cobwebs.]

D Celebratory

35

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cl. 1 2 *a2*

Bsns. 1 2 *a2*

Hns. 1 2 *f* *a2*

Tpts. 1 2 *f* *a2*

Tbns. 1 2 *f*

Tuba *f*

Perc.

Susp. Cym.

D Celebratory

Vlns. 1 2

Vla. *f*

Vlc. *f*

Cb. *f*

39

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Cl. 1
2 *a2*

Bsns. 1
2

Hns. 1
2 *a2*

Hns. 3
4 *a2*

Tpts. 1
2 *a2*

Tpts. 3
4 *a2*

Tbns. 1
2

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

43 [E] (spoken rhythmically and joyfully)

Narr. Ev - 'ry - where, ev - 'ry - where, cob - webs!

Picc. *f* joyfully *p*

Fls. 1 2 *f* joyfully *p*

Obs. 1 2 *f* joyfully *p*

Cls. 1 2 *f* joyfully *p*

Bsns. 1 2 *f* joyfully *p*

Hns. 1 2 *f* joyfully *p*

3 4 *f* joyfully *p*

Tpts. 1 2 *f* joyfully *p*

3 *f* joyfully *p*

Tbns. 1 2 *f* joyfully *p*

3 *f* joyfully *p*

Tuba *f* joyfully *p*

Hi Bongo w/ hands

Perc. *f*

Vlns. 1 *p* sub. *pizz.*
2 *p* sub. *pizz.*

Vla. *p* sub. *pizz.*

Vlc. *p* sub. *pizz.*

Cb. *p* sub.

Narr. Ev - 'ry-where, ev - 'ry-where, cob - webs!

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cls. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2 3 4

Tpts. 1 2 3

Tbns. 1 2 3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

rit.

51 *a tempo*

Narr. They were dropped from the fairy shoulders
that danced on the grass last night! | | | ||

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.



9. The First Star Is Lit

Peacefully ♩ = 80

Cl. 1 2

Vlns. 1

*Use a few players through letter E.

7

A

Cl. 1
Cl. 2

Perc.

Susp. Cym.

A

Vlns.
Vlns. 2
Vla.
Vlc.
Cb.

con sord.*
pp
con sord.*
pp
con sord.*
pp
con sord.*

pp

13

Fls.
Fls. 2

Cl. 1
Cl. 2

Perc.

p quietly flowing

pp

Vlns.
Vlns. 2
Vla.
Vlc.
Cb.

*Use a few players through letter E.

[NARRATOR reads as music continues in the background.]

NARRATOR: Everyday a new picture is painted and framed, held up for half an hour in such lights as the Great Artist chooses,

Fls. 18

B repeat figure until cued to continue

Vlns. 1

mp



Fls. 21

C

Vlns. 1

pp

Vlns. 2

repeat figure until cued to continue

Vla.

repeat figure until cued to continue

Vlc.

repeat figure until cued to continue

Cb.

pp



Vlns. 1

mp

Vlns. 2

3 3 3 3

Vla.

3 3 3 3

Vlc.

3 3 3 3

Cb.

3 3 3 3

24 via sord.

pp

And then the damask curtains
glow along the western window.

And then the first
star is lit.

And I go home.

28 **D**

Perc.

Vlns. 1 *via sord.*
repeat figure until cued to continue

Vlns. 2 *repeat figure until cued to continue*

Vla. *repeat figure until cued to continue*

Vlc. *repeat figure until cued to continue*

Cb. *via sord.*

E **Quickly, with energy** $\text{♩} = 126$
[same tempo as 1. Prologue]

Fls. 1 2 *p*

Obs. 1 2 *a2*

Cls. 1 2 *p*

Perc. *Bongo w/ sticks*

E **Quickly, with energy** $\text{♩} = 126$
[same tempo as 1. Prologue]

Vlns. 1 *senza sord.*

Vlns. 2 *senza sord.*

Vla. *senza sord.*

Vlc. *senza sord.*

Cb. *senza sord.*

F Jaunty

34

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cls. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

3 4

Tpts. 1 2 3

Tbns. 1 2

3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1

2

div.

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

F Jaunty

1

2

mf

unis.

mf
arcō

mf
arcō

mf

37

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Clz. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

3
4

Tpts. 1

2
3

Tbns. 1
2

3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

rit.

40

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Cl. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

3
4

Tpts. 1
2

3

Tbns. 1
2

3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

10. Epilogue

Gently flowing $\text{♩} = 108$

a2

Cl. 1
2
Bsns. 1
2
Hns. 1
2
3
4
Tbn. 1
2
Tbsn. 3
Tuba

Gently flowing $\text{♩} = 108$

Vlns. 1
2
Vla.
con sord.
Vlc.
p
con sord.
con sord., pizz.
Cb. *p*

NARRATOR: (approximately synchronized with music)

Time is but a stream I go a-fishing in.

I drink at it, but while I drink I see the

5 **A**

tip of bow
con sord.

Vlns. 1
2
Vla.
pp in the background
tip of bow
con sord.
Vlc.
arco
Cb.

sandy bottom and detect how shallow it is.

9

Vlns.
2
Vla.
Vlc.
Cb.



Its thin currents slide away, but eternity remains.

13 [B]

Fls.
2
Obs.
1 2
Perc.
Temple Blocks
p
Vlns.
2
Vla.
Vlc.
Cb.

B ord.
p

rolled pizz.
pizz.

I would drink deeper,
fish in the sky,
whose

17 [C]

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cls. 1 2

p

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

p

Tpts. 1 2 3

Tbns. 1 2 3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1

p

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

bottom is pebbly with stars.

p

a2
p
a2

p

p
fl (soft flutter or trill)

p
a2
fl (soft flutter or trill)

p

p

p

p

p

3 3 3 3
Vlns. 3 3 3 3
Vla. 3 3 3 3
Vlc. 3 3 3 3
Cb. 3 3 3 3

I would drink deeper,
fish in the sky,
whose bottom is pebbly with stars.

25 **D**

Picc.
Fls. 1
Fls. 2
Obs. 1
Obs. 2
Cls. 1
Cls. 2
Bsns. 1
Bsns. 2

Hns. 1
Hns. 2
Hns. 3
Hns. 4
Tpts. 1
Tpts. 2
Tpts. 3

Tbns. 1
Tbns. 2
Tbns. 3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1
Vlns. 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

[During this closing section, the NARRATOR wanders to the edge of the stage, gazing upward at the sky filled with stars.]

E Gently flowing $\text{♩} = 108$

to depict stars in the sky

28

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Obs. 1
2

Clz. 1
2

Bsns. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Fls. 3
4

Tpts. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

E Gently flowing $\text{♩} = 108$

to depict stars in the sky

pizz.

Vlns. 1
2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

32 [F]

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cls. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

3 4

Tpts. 1

2 3

Tbns. 1 2

3

Tuba

Glock. - w/ sft. mlts.

Perc.

Vlns. 1

(p) 3

+ arco 3

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

arcō

Tutti

p 3

pizz.

p

36 [G]

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cls. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

3 4

Tpts. 1

2 3

Tbns. 1 2

3 4

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1

2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

40

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Obs. 1 2

Cls. 1 2

Bsns. 1 2

Hns. 1 2 3 4

Tpts. 1 2 3

Tbns. 1 2 3

Tuba

Perc.

Vlns. 1 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

rit.

pp

p mp pp

3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3

rit.

div. pp div. pp

pp div. pp

pp div. pp

pp div. pp

pp

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