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inhale through teeth edge-chilling yarn splutter cough exhale loudly sigh tell a joke even if you cant remember all of it whisper serisouly not intensely more affectionately even with Humphrey Bogarts embarrassment pant not distressingly whimper spasmodically imitate an instrument by sound only impersonate Jack ridingon-a-camel-in-the-desert Payne Eddie Cantor Al Bowly The Diamonds The Platters all of them or one your would employ in a social situation be a group "faan" on the lowest D flat you can comfortably sing periodically use a microphone for anything a megaphone a voice-gun pre-recorded tapes records - a soul strung with chords that vibrated to the slightest breath of sorrow - even if you cant remember all of it which may be obviated in any way surely your choice will fall on the slow movement of the second a slow motion maintaining them as constants pre-recorded in a social situation - almost ideally perfect now radiant with light now full of tender pathos a happy vale of tempe a magnificent landscape flodded with summer glow and lustre yet forming a background for the rehearsal of some dire scene of mortal anguish a contrast sustained by a fusion of tones a softening of gloomy which while saddening joy soothes the bitterness of sorrowfaaan on the lowest A flat you can comfortably sing a megaphone the one over which for grace and poetic sentiment you will linger longest will be the sixth this beautiful deep-tored love-laden cantilena seriously not intensely more affectionately with one you would employ in a social situation spasmodically periodically seriously not intensely by sound only Jack riding-on-a-camel-inthe-desert Payne edge-chilling an obvious mingling of the gay and the sad the tender and the debonair its feminine softness and rounded contours its graceful gyrating dance-like motions its spriteliness and frolicsomeness set against each other to create a softly rippling movement like the murmur of waves which was extremely restful half an hours distant smithy miniature mobiles circling slowly extreme imaginative poverty against which Mr. Tilbury played seemingly endless doodles mind deadening spirit-crushing monotony scattered with obstacles just ordinary obstacles thoughtfully as though it were a secret walk nocturnes in

which you can feel the vague presentiment of untimely death affectionately HER voice a voice of bell-like purity over the accompaniment of sobs floated the voice even if you cant remember all of it even with Humphrey Bogarts embarrassment whimper spasmodically through the teeth edge-chilling by sound only faaan on the lowest B flat you can comfortably sing even if you cant remember all of it not distressingly by sound only be a group all of them or one your would employ in a situation bearing expression marks and other directions bell-like purity.

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hold an absurd posture for a long time rainbows keep falling for a long time like a film moving backwards if only one then it might not its a secret attempt to do a roly-poly keep failing maintain your cool walk thoughtfully maintain your cool HOP if more than one then solid jackson if only one then maintain your cool make a vaudeville exit like a film moving backwards rainbows keep falling for a long time attempt to do something you could never do before William Holden climbing the hill to meet Jennifer Jones in love is a many-splendoured thing keep failing a long time for stand still for a long time making a violent movement resuming original posture do a short tap routine a slow motion attempt to do a handstand moving erratically the joints making as many angles as possible maintaining them as constants your cool what a solo pas de deux attempt to do a headstand its a secret attempt to do a roly poly if you never were a dancer anyway do something AMAZING nothing theatribel about trying to avoid a secret rainbow for ever chasing rainbows keep tiling for a long time but it might not if you keep the floor scattered with a secret love a headstand walk a long time Jennifer Jones in love is a secretattempt to do a roly-poly not for showing off anything wat if you never were a dancer anyway move as though the floor were covered with obstacles nothing theatrical just ordinary obstacles the sort you might ordinarily move about trying to avoid if they were scattered on the floor make a classical ballet entry attempt something you will never be able to do again keep failing attempt to do a headstand to meet Jennifer Jones in love is a many-splendoured thing keep failing just ordinary obstacles as though it were imminent what if you never were a dancer anyway lie down on one elbow looking anywhere constant attempt to do a vaudeville roly-poly something you could never before your cool love a many-splendoured secret you will never be sble to maintain your cool agàin if you never were a dancer anyway what about trying to avoid a secret move about as though it were imminent something might fall from the ceiling but it might not do a short mime stand still for a long time making a violent short movement a slow motion in love constant for a while a secret love just ordinary obstacles assume a meditation-like posture of your

own choosing not a prescribed one a slow motion attempt to do a headstand again it might not its a secret attempt to do a roly-poly keep failing thoughtfully hop as though it were a secret walk a many-splendoured attempt scattered with obstacles from the ceiling though it were imminent keep failing but it might not thoughtfully love a secret thoughtfully a rainbow cahing a roly-poly many-splendoured

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