

An Elegy for the Past

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Score for Voice, Cello, and Piano.

Voice: It will be dark - er soon, cold - er. —

Cello: *p* *8va*

Piano: *mp* *8va*

Vo.: 4 You see the corn - er where you will turn, and you

Pno.: 4 *8va*

Leo.

7

turn. The house you think is yours, the

Vc.

p

Pno.

p

8^{va}

10

door, wait in the sha-dows to be cho - - - sen, and you

Vc.

10

Pno.

8^{va}

10

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13

choose _____ them, _____ and

Vc.

13

Pno.

8^{va}

15

en - ter. _____ and slow - ly peel _____ the lay - ers off

Vc.

p

Pno.

pp *mp*

that held close an ex-tra part of the world: the one you en-tered when your

17

Vc.

17

Pno.

cresc. poco a poco

20

pla-net sud-den-ly ex-plo-ded. Some-one died, and then the

Vc.

20

Pno.

pp

f

pp

23



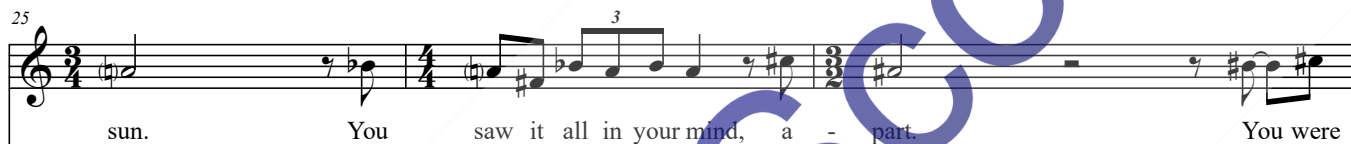
Vc.



Pno.



25



Vc.



Pno.



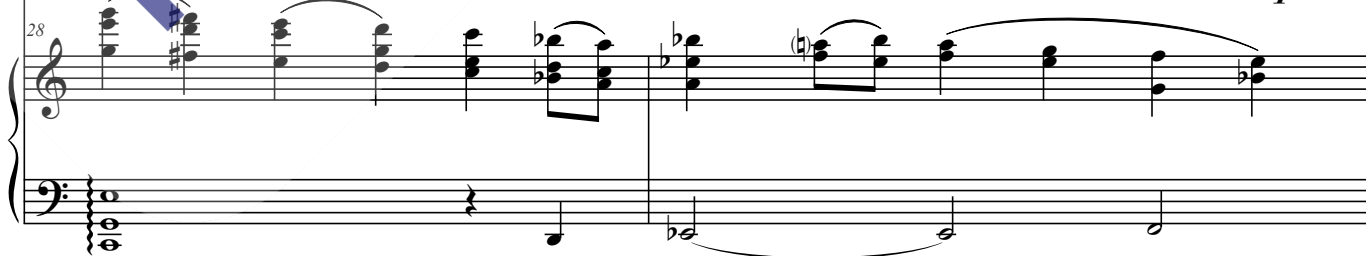
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Vc.



Pno.



30 *rit.*

All you had to do _____ was wait, and

Vc.

30 *rit.*

Pno.

30 *p* *rit.* *8va*

32 *a tempo*

ev' - ry - thing was time. _____

Vc.

32 *p* *pp*

Pno.

32 *a tempo* *(8va)*

Cello

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8

14

19

23

28

33

p

p

p

f

pp

mp

pp

mp

rit.

p

pp