

Killing me softly with his song

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Chords: Cm Ab Bb Cm Ab Eb Fm G

Fl. share part between two flutes

Vln.

Vc.

Hp. guitar only tacet piano

Chords: Cm Ab Bb Fm Ab Eb Bb C

Fl.

Vln.

Vc.

Hp.

A Verse 1

Chords: Fm7 Bb Eb Ab Fm7 Bb Cm

MW

Fl.

Vln.

Vc.

Hp.

I heard he sang a good song, I heard he had a style, and so I came to see him to listen for a while.

26 **Fm⁷** **Bb** **Eb** **G**

MW *And there_ he was_ this young_ boy, a stran - ger to_ my eyes._*

Vln.

Vc.

Hp. **Fm⁷** **Bb** **Eb** **G**

B **Chorus**

30 **Cm** **Ab** **Bb** **Eb** **Cm** **F**

MW *Strum-ming my pain with his fin - gers, sing-ing my life with his words. Kill-ing me soft - ly with his song, kill-ing me soft*

Vln.

Vc.

Hp. **Cm** **Ab** **Bb** **Eb** **Cm** **F**

36 **Bb** **Ab** **Eb** **Ab** **Db**

MW *- ly with his song, tell-ing my whole life with his words kill-ing me soft - ly with his song.*

Vln.

Vc.

Hp. **Bb** **Ab** **Eb** **Ab** **Db**

C *add piano*
C **Cm** **A^b** **B^b** **Fm**

MW
 Fl.
 D. Rec.
 Vln.
 Vc.
 Hp.

A^b **E^b** **B^b** **C**

Fl.
 D. Rec.
 Vc.
 Hp.

D *Verse 2* *Add piano*
Fm⁷ **B^b** **E^b** **A^b** **Fm⁷** **B^b**

MW
 S.
 A.
 Fl.
 Vc.
 Hp.

I felt_ all flushed_ with fe - ver, em-bar-rased by_ the crowd. I felt_ he found_ my let - ters and

Mmm

59 Cm Fm⁷ B \flat E \flat G

MW read each one out loud. I prayed that he would fin - ish, but he just kept right on.

S. but he just kept right on.

A. but he just kept right on.

Fl.

Vc.

Hp.

E Chorus

65 Cm A \flat B \flat E \flat Cm F B \flat

MW Strumming my pain with his fingers, singing my life with his words. Kill - ing me soft ly with his song, kill ing me soft - ly with his

S. Strumming my pain with his fingers, singing my life with his words. Mmm ki lling me soft - ly Mmm

A. Strumming my pain with his fingers, singing my life with his words. Mmm ki lling me soft - ly Mmm

Fl.

Vln.

Vc.

Hp.

72 **Ab Eb Ab Db C**

MW *— song, tell ing my whole — life — with his — words kill ing me soft - ly — with his song.*

S. *ki lling me soft - ly Mmm whole life kill ing me soft - ly with his song.*

A. *ki lling me soft - ly Mmm whole life kill ing me soft - ly with his song.*

Fl.

D. Rec.

Vln.

Vc.

Hp.

79 **F Cm Ab Bb Eb Cm F Bb**

Fl.

D. Rec.

Vln.

Vc.

Hp.

86 $A\flat$ $E\flat$ $A\flat$ $D\flat$ C

Fl.

D. Rec.

Vln.

Vc.

Hp.

93 **G** Verse 3 Fm^7 $B\flat$ $E\flat$ $A\flat$ Fm^7 $B\flat$ Cm

MW

He sang as if ___ he knew me in all my dark ___ de spair. And then he looked ___ right through me as if I was n't there. ___

S. *pp*
Mmm Ooo Aah

A. *pp*
Mmm Ooo Aah

M. *pp*
Mmm Ooo Aah

Fl.

D. Rec.

Vc.

Hp.

101 **Fm⁷** **B \flat** **E \flat** **G**

MW But he___ was there___ this stran - ger, sing - ing clear___ and strong.---

S. Mmm sing - ing clear___ and strong.---

A. Mmm sing - ing clear___ and strong.---

M. Mmm Ooo Aah

Fl.

D. Rec.

Vc.

Hp.

H **Chorus**

105 **Cm** **A \flat** **B \flat** **E \flat** **Cm** **F** **B \flat**

MW *Strumming my pain with his fin - gers,___ sing ing my life with his words.___ Kill ing me soft - ly with his ___ song, kill ing me soft - ly ___ with his*

S. *Strumming my pain with his fin - gers,___ sing ing my life with his words.___ Kill ing me soft - ly with his ___ song, kill ing me soft - ly ___ with his*

A. *Strumming my pain sing ing my life ___ with his words Kill ing me soft - ly with his ___ song, kill ing me soft - ly ___ with his*

M. *Strumming my pain sing ing my life ___ with his words Kill ing me soft - ly with his ___ song, Aah*

Fl.

D. Rec.

Vln.

Vc.

Hp.

112 $A\flat$ $E\flat$ $A\flat$ $D\flat$ C

MW
 — song, tell-ing my whole — life — with his — words kill-ing me soft - ly — with his song. —

S.
 — song, tell-ing my whole — life — with his — words kill-ing me soft - ly — with his song. —

A.
 — song, tell-ing my whole — life — with his — words kill-ing me soft - ly — kill-ing me soft - ly with his song. —

M.
 — Ooo — kill-ing me soft - ly — with his song. —

Fl.
 D. Rec.
 Vln.
 Vc.
 Hp.

tacet piano

119 Fm^7 $B\flat$

MW
 He sang as if — he knew me

Fl.
 $E\flat$ $A\flat$ Fm^7 $B\flat$ C Cm

Vln.
 Vc.
 Fm^7 $B\flat$ $E\flat$ $A\flat$ Fm^7 $B\flat$ C Cm

Hp.
 tacet piano