

a prelude

part for narrator

Adam Scott Neal, 2017

each section is 15 seconds

each line is approximately 2 seconds

perform to a stopwatch with rest of ensemble

0:00 (like a student presentation)

a prelude

an introductory piece of music

an introduction to something more important

0:15 (like a yoga teacher)

a prelude

prelude to the afternoon of a faun

named Shaun, who was

eating prawns fighting a yawn

before mowing the lawn

0:30 (like an infomercial)

a prelude

prelude to a kiss, view to a kill,

fit to a T -- tea or coffee,

Mac or PC, chicken or beef,

boxers or briefs

0:45 (like a news anchor)

a prelude

in fact, a Honda Prelude

sorry, this just in --

a Honda Civic -

Civic unrest and civil disobedience

1:00 (like Matthew McConaughey)

a prelude

high on quaaludes

all the young dudes (and Huey Lewis)

carry the news

1:15 (like a reporter in an old movie)

a prelude

lewd comments about lubrication,

mastication of tubers,

and eradication of tumors

read all about it!

1:30 (abstract - NOT poking fun at stutterers)

a prelude

ah puh

purr pray

ray rail

lude duh

1:45 (first line normal, the rest as fast as you can)

a prelude

a preliminary primer for preppy preschoolers

reciting "Peter Piper Picked a Peck of Pickled Peppers"

2:00 (like a movie trailer)

a prelude

praying to a god

Shiva or Allah

praying mantis, prey and predator,

Alien vs. Predator

Predator vs. Arnold or Danny Glover

2:15 (like a TED Talk)

a prelude

a preapproved, prepackaged

premarital parenthetical

paranoid paramour

2:30 (like a rap MC)

a prelude

apropos po-boy probate court ruling class

dismiss-demeanor than a junkyard dog whisperer

sweet nothing compares to U,

no-THING compares...

to U

2:45 (like a valley girl/brah)

a prelude?

uh, um,

so, yeah, like,

you know? know-wha'm-sayin'?,

ya feel me?

3:00 (like a judgmental old hippie)

a prelude

hey prude,

lay nude!

eat.

pray.

love.

snooze.

3:15 (like a student presentation)

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an introductory piece of music

an introduction to something more important

3:30 (an interior monologue)

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should you be doing something more important?

3:45 (increasingly existential interior monologue)

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what's next?

what's more important?

4:00 (interior monologue resolved?)

a prelude

to something more important

4:15 (with quiet confidence)

something important