

Earwigs

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duration: six minutes

♩ = 88

Soprano

Alto 1
Your de - li - cious look - ing rum cake co - vered with al - monds was
mf

Alto 2
rum cake al - monds
mf

Tenor
rum cake al - monds was
mf

Bass
rum
mf

S
The dri - ver parked at the foot of the
mf

A 1
hand car - ried to my door this morn - ing, oh

A 2
hand door morn - ing, oh

T
hand to my door this morn - ing, oh oh oh oh

B
rum my door hand car - ried to my door, rum

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2/8

S
hill and climbed and climbed and climbed the _____

A 1
and climbed and climbed climbed the steep path No-thing else moved in that

A 2
No-thing else moved in that

T
and climbed and climbed climbed the steep path no - thing no - thing

B
hill and climbed and climbed and climbed _____ rum rum

12

S
I signed for it,

A 1
fro... _____ It was cold in-side and out

A 2
fro - zen land-scape I signed for it,

T
fro _____ It was cold in-side and out I signed for it,

B
No-thing else moved in that fro - It was cold in-side and out, so I signed for it,

16

S
thanked him in

A 1
went back in where I

A 2
thanked him

T
8 thanked him went in stripped off the hea - vy tape,

B
thanked him went back in, oh

19

S
and in-side found the ca-ni-ster — you'd filled with cake

A 1
cresc. in-side found the ca-ni-ster — you'd filled with cake *f*

A 2
cresc. tore the sta-ples from the bag, and in-side found the ca-ni-ster — cake *f* *mf*

T
8 tore the sta-ples from the bag, and in-side found the ca-ni-ster — you'd cake

B
filled with cake *f* *mf*

S
prized *mf* that

A 1
scratched ad-he-sive from the lid it o - pen that

A 2
scratched ad-he-sive from the lid rum

T
8 ad - he - sive o - pen fold-ed back the a-lu-mi-num foil to catch that
mf

B
scratched ad-he-sive from the lid, o - pen rum

S
sweet

A 1
first whiff of sweet - ness It was then that the ear-wig ap-peared

A 2
first whiff of rum rum rum rum rum rum
mp

T
8 first whiff of sweet - ness rum rum rum rum rum rum
mp

B
sweet - ness rum rum rum rum rum rum
mp

30

S from the moist depths an ear - wig stuffed on your cake _____ drunk from it

A 1

A 2 rum rum rum rum rum rum rum rum

T rum rum rum rum rum rum rum rum rum rum rum

B rum rum rum rum rum rum rum rum rum rum rum

mp

33

S do do do do do do do

A 1 He went o - ver the side of the can scur-ried wild -

A 2 do do da do do da do da do do da do do da do da

T He went o - ver the side of the can scur-ried wild -

B do do do da do do do da do do da do do do da do do do da do do da

mp

f

mf

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35

S do do do do do do do do

A 1 - ly, wild - ly, a - cross the ta - ble to take re - fuge in the

A 2 do do da do do da do da do do da do do da do da do do da do da

T - ly, wild - ly, a - cross the ta - ble to take re - fuge in the

B do do do da do do do da do do da do do do da do do da do do da do do da

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S do do fruit bowl kill kill kill kill fill fill fill fill

A 1 fruit bowl fruit bowl kill kill kill kill fill fill fill fill

A 2 do do da do do da fruit bowl kill kill kill kill fill fill fill fill

T fruit bowl oh dim.

B do do do da do do do da I did-n't kill it, not then filled as I was with

42

S
feel - ings feel - ings dis - gust of course but a - maze - ment oh, *mf* ad - mi -

A 1
feel - ings feel - ings dis - gust of course but a - maze - ment oh, *mf* ad - mi -

A 2
feel - ings feel - ings dis - gust of course but a - maze - ment

T
e - ven *mf*

B
con - flict - ing feel - ings dis - gust, of course but a - maze - ment ad - mi -

46

S
ra - tion, oh Your de - li - cious look - ing

A 1
ra - tion, oh dee - lish

A 2
thou - sand mile o - ver - night *mf*

T
ra - tion This crea - ture that'd just made a three thou - sand mile

B
ra - tion crea - ture that'd just made a three o - ver - night

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8
49

S
rum cake o-ver-night trip sur-round-ed by cake, oh shaved

A 1
rum cake by round cake al-monds

A 2
trip, three thou-sand thou-sand rum shaved al-monds,

T
rum cake round-ed by cake shaved al-monds

B
trip three thou-sand rum by cake shaved al-monds,

53

S
o-ver-powr-ing o-dor of rum car-ried then in a truck

A 1
and the oh rum car-ried then in a truck

A 2
oh oh rum

T
and the o-ver rum car-ried then in a truck

B
oh oh rum rum car-ry rum car-ry

57

S
o - ver a moun - tain road la la la la — la la

A 1
oh and packed up - hill in freez - ing wea - ther la la la la — la la

A 2
o - ver a moun - tain road

T
o - ver a moun - tain road packed up - hill la la — la

B
o - ver a moun - tain road packed up - hill la la — la

60

S
to a house o-ver-look-ing Pa-ci-fic O-cean do do do do do do do do An ear-wig I'll let him
cresc. **f**

A 1
o - ver-look - ing Pa-ci-fic O-cean do do do do ear - wig
cresc. **f**

A 2
o - ver-look - ing do do do do ear - wig
cresc. **f**

T
to a house o-ver-look-ing the O - cean An ear-wig I'll let him
f

B
the O - cean do do do do do do do do An ear-wig I'll let him
cresc. **f**

S live I thought I thought this one's spe - cial
mf *mp* *mf*

A 1 live I thought I thought What's one more or less in the world
mf *mp* *mf*

A 2 live I one less this one's spe - cial
mf

T live I thought I thought one more or less in the world
mf *mp* *mf*

B live I thought I thought What's the world
mf *mp* *mf*

S may - be bless - ings on its strange, strange head I lift - ed the cake

A 1 may - be oh, strange, strange head I lift - ed the cake

A 2 may - be bless - ings oh, strange, strange do do do do do ba
mp

T may - strange head do do ba
mp

B may - be strange head I do do do

73

S from its foil-wrap-ping and three more ear-wigs three more ear-wigs went o-ver the

A 1 from its foil-wrap-ping and three more ear-wigs three more ear-wigs went o-ver the

A 2 do do do do do ba do do do do do ba do do do do do ba

T do do ba do do ba do do do do do ba do do do ba

B do do do do do do do do do do do do

77

S side of the can of the can rum *mp* *dim.*

A 1 side of the side of the can of the can for a min-ute I was so *mp*

A 2 do do do do do ba can of the can rum *mf* *dim.*

T do do do ba do do do do do ba of the can can for a min-ute so *mf* *mp*

B do do do do ba do ba of the can can for a min-ute so *mp*

S
rum rum kill them.
mp *dim.*

A 1
ta - ken a - back I did - n't know if I should kill them or what.

A 2
should I kill them kill them
mp *dim.*

T
8 ta - ken, oh should I kill them kill them or what

B
ta - ken, oh should I kill them kill them or what

86

S
f Then rage seized me and I plas-tered them crushed the life from them

A 1
f Then rage seized me and I plas-tered them crushed the life from them

A 2
f Then rage seized me and I plas-tered them crushed the life from them

T
8 *f* Then rage seized me and I plas-tered them crushed the life from them

B
f do

88

S
be - fore a - ny could get a - way la la la la la la

A 1
be - fore a - ny could get a - way la la la la la la

A 2
be - fore a - ny could get a - way la la la la la la

T
be - fore a - ny could get a - way la la la la la la

B
do do

90

S
la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

A 1
la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

A 2
la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

T
la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

B
do do

S It was a mas-sa - cre rum *mf dim.*

A 1 It was a mas-sa - cre While I was at it I found and de-stroyed the *mf*

A 2 It was a mas-sa - cre rum *mf dim.*

T It was a mas-sa - cre rum *mf dim.*

B was a was a was a mas-sa - cre oh rum *mf dim.*

S o - ther ut - ter - ly o - ther one *mf*

A 1 o - ther one ut - ter - ly o - ther o - ther one ut - ter - ly o - ther ut - ter - ly o - ther

A 2 o - ther *mf* o - ther one ut - ter - ly o - ther ut - ter - ly o - ther one

T rum *mp* rum rum I *mf*

B rum *mp* rum rum I was *mf*

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S
was all

A 1
just be - gin - ning when it was all o - ver I'm say - ing

A 2
just it was o - ver I'm say - ing

T
just it was o - ver I could have gone on and on and

B
just be - gin - ning when it was o - ver

101

S
and on rend-ing them

A 1
on rend-ing them If it's true that man is wolf to man what,

A 2
on rend-ing them rum rum true man wolf man

T
on and on and on rend-ing them rum rum true man wolf man

B
on and on them rum rum true man wolf man

mp

S

A 1
what can mere ear-wigs ex-pect when blood-lust is up is up is up is up rum

A 2
what can ear - wigs when blood - lust is up is up is when blood-lust is

T
8 what can ear - wigs when blood - lust is up is up is rum

B
what can ear - wigs when blood - lust is up is up is rum

mf

109

S
I sat down try-ing to qui'-ten my heart, my heart I looked a - round _

A 1
I sat down, oh the breath rush-ing from my nose I looked a-round

A 2
up I looked round

T
8 I sat down try-ing to qui'-ten my the breath rush-ing from my nose looked a the

B
up down heart, my heart from my nose looked a - round _

113

S
rea-dy for a - ny - thing

A 1
slow - ly a - ny - thing do do do do do do do

A 2
round a - ny - thing do

T
8 ta - ble slow - ly oh a - ny - thing do

B
a - ny do do do do do do do

116

S
Mo - na, sor-ry to say this I but I could-n't eat

A 1
Mo - na, sor-ry to say but I but I could-n't eat a - ny of your

A 2
Mo - na, sor-ry to say this but I could-n't eat eat of your

T
8 Mo - na, oh, say this but I but I could-n't eat a - ny of your

B
Mo - na, I'm so say this but I but I could-n't eat eat your

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S
could-n't eat no could-n't no, I've put it for la - ter may-be

A 1
cake could-n't could-n't eat no could-n't no a - way for la - ter may-be

A 2
cake no could-n't no, I've put it way

T
8 cake I could-n't eat no could-n't could-n't eat no could-n't no a - way for la - ter may-be

B
cake your cake your_ cake no way for la - ter may

124

S
a - ny - way thanks win - ter

A 1
a - ny - way thanks you're sweet to re - mem - ber me out here a - lone this win - ter

A 2
a - ny - way thanks win
mp

T
8 thanks win win
mp

B
thanks win win
mp

