

The Coup

a play in 60 seconds, by Ken Nickels

THE RESIDENTS: in order of appearance

Commander Kate
Audio/Video Guys
Dr. Damage
Gloomy Sarah
Mr. Freeline
Paranoid Pam
Delusional Dan
Bad Bad Girl
Cynical Nurse
Alfred

THE ENSEMBLE:

4 Violas
6 Cellos
3 Contrabasses
Prepared Piano
The Sun (noise generator)

Psych Ward, Rm. 215

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Lento ♩=60

Commander Kate	IS THERE OR IS THERE NOT LIFE WITHIN THE RANGE OF YOUR INSTRUMENTS?					
Audio/Video Guys	(WE HAVEN'T TIME FOR CHANNELS! TURN ON THE TAPE!)					
Dr. Damage		I REQUIRE MORE DATA TO DETERMINE WHETHER THIS UNUSUAL INSTABILITY RATIO IS AN ABORANT REACTION OR IS NORMAL SURVIVAL ORIENTED				
Gloomy Sarah			YOU DON'T HAVE TO FEEL THE RESPONSIBILITY OF KEEPING THE HUMAN RACE GOING.	(PLEADING) GET ME THE SUN!	THERE'S NO SUN IN THE SKY!	
Mr. Freeline				I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT	IN A WEEK WITH A PROCURATOR!	
Paranoid Pam						
Delusional Dave						
Bad Bad Girl						
Cynical Nurse						
Alfred						

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The Sun (noise generator)

Viola

Violoncello

Violoncello

Contrabass

mf

mf

mf

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Commander Kate				
Audio/Video Guys	■			
Dr. Damage	■			
Gloomy Sarah	■	I WANT THE SUN! I WANT THE SUN!		
Mr. Freeline	■			
Paranoid Pam	■		ANY MINUTE FROM ANYWHERE A BULLET CAN COME CRASHING INTO ME!	
Delusional Dave	■		OK, WELL JUST TAKE A TIP FROM ME - STAY AWAY FROM HOMICIDAL MICROSCOPES!	
Bad Bad Girl	■			I DON'T CARE, MR. FREELINE, I'M A BAD BAD GIRL.
Cynical Nurse	■			...THE REST OF WHOM, SARAH? THE REST OF THE DIGUSTING ANIMALS THAT LIVE ON EARTH?
Alfred	■			
P. Pno.				
The Sun (noise generator)	■			
Vla.				
Vc.				
Vc.				
Cb.				

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Commander Kate		WE HAVE COME TO BOARD YOUR SHIP - NAKED
Audio/Video Guys		
Dr. Damage		
Gloomy Sarah		BRING ME THE SUN!
Mr. Freeline	THERE ARE OTHERS ...	
Paranoid Pam		
Delusional Dave		
Bad Bad Girl	(SCREAM)	ALFRED, PLEASE DON'T GO!
Cynical Nurse		
Alfred	HELLO? WHO'S THERE? THERE'S SOMEBODY IN THERE!	

P. Pno.

The Sun (noise generator)

Vla.

Vc.

Vc.

Cb.

tenuto molto vib.

f *pp*

f *pp*

f *pp*