

No. 1090

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Not Worth

for voice, two bass clarinets, viola, cello, bass

1999



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Not Worth was commissioned by the New York ensemble Sequitur for an evening of songs devoted to the theme of money.

The text is from the **Analects** of Confucius. The translation is my own.

Riches and glory,
everyone loves riches and glory.
But if you can't get them the right way
They're not worth winning.

Poverty and obscurity,
everyone hates poverty and obscurity.
But if you can't get rid of them the right way
They're not worth losing.

not worth

music by eve beglarian
text by confucius

♩ = 66

Bass Clarinet 1 *mp*

Bass Clarinet 2 *mp*

Voice

Viola

Cello *legato*

Contrabass *pizz.* *mp*

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

Rich - es and glor - y, glor - - - y.

vla *5 legato* *mf*

vc

cb

9

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

rich - es and glor - y, and glor - - - y.

vla

vc

cb

13

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

Ev - - - ry one loves

vla

vc

cb

17

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox *sub mp*

rich - es and glor - - - y, rich - es and glor - - - y. But if you

vla

vc

cb

21

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

can't get them the right

vla

vc

cb

24

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

way, they're not worth not worth not worth not worth not

vla

vc

cb

27

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

worth not worth not worth winn - ing.

vla

vc

cb

sub mp

mp

mp

easy swing

33

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

Pov - er - ty ³ and ob - scur - i - ty, Pov - er - ty ³ and ob - scur - i - ty.

vla

vc

cb

37 *easy swing*

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

Ev - ry - one hates, ev - ry - one hates

vla

vc

cb

41

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

pov - er - ty and ob - scur - i - ty. But if you

vla

vc

cb

45

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

can't get rid of them the right way, they're

vla

vc

cb

49

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

not worth los - ing.

sub mp

vla

vc

cb

53

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

Improvise a relaxed scat to the end. You might use the phrases "poor and obscure" and "not worth losing", or perhaps just go with an easy vocalise, whatever works for you.

vla

vc

cb

57

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

vla

vc

cb

61

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

vla

vc

cb

65

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

vla

vc

cb

69

bscl 1

bscl 2

vox

vla

vc

cb