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for SATB Voices (min. 9 SSSAATTBB) a cappella

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Performance Instructions

Formation of choir

Movements one and two should be sung without a break between the two. In order to assist with the division of spoken voices in movement two, it is suggested the choir arrange themselves in this formation for the first two movements:

S1 T1 A1 B1 | S2 S3 A2 T2 B2

And then, at the preference of the conductor, move to a formation of trhe conductor's choosing Movements three through to the end should run without a break.

Spoken text

Should always feel fairly natural. Whilst this a piece about AI, the voices are the voices of real humans. Sometimes rhythms need to be strictly adhered for ensemble reasons (movement two through four, for example), sometimes not (movements one and five). Refrain from theatricality. Loud and quiet dynamics should feel within normal speaking range. If a note value feels unusually long to speak it either should be shortened to replicate natural speech, or act as a pivot, a pause, as if the speaker is contemplating their next thought/word/phrase. When speaking the same material as another singer, find your own natural intonation and intention rather than replicating one another.

Inotation is not marked, but should be natural and at the discretion of the performer and/or conductor. Text should not be performed in monotone.

Ellipses in spoken text can indicate either a continuation of thought, ie an unfinished phrase, or a vocal stumble (ie erm). Either way ellipses indicate an unfinished spoken phrase.

Movement One: Beginning

It is suggested the sung pitches (B2 and A2) should be on a neutral/mid central vowel (schwa), but can be any vowel that is unobtrusive and easy to produce an aspirate sound as well as move from pitch to a breath sound again.

Movement Two: Training

Text is intentionally jumbled so the speakers may be changing thought mid-sentence due to the amalgamation of two different text sources. Regardless of this, keep speech natural even if the intention of the words feels unclear.

Movement Three: Trust

IPA is used to indicate the vowel sounds required for the accompanying texture, but - for ease - the words that these sounds are derived from are also given. Exact replication of the IPA is not important here. The desired effect is thet sung voices are a sort of 'vocal residue' from the speech material.

Movement Five: End

/ indicates a short pause. // indicates a slightly longer pause.

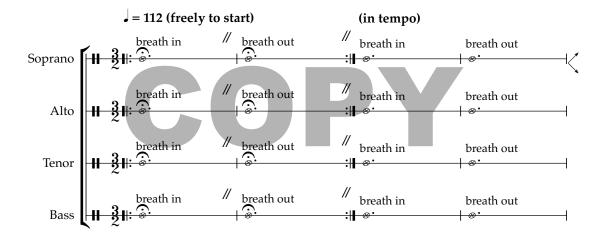


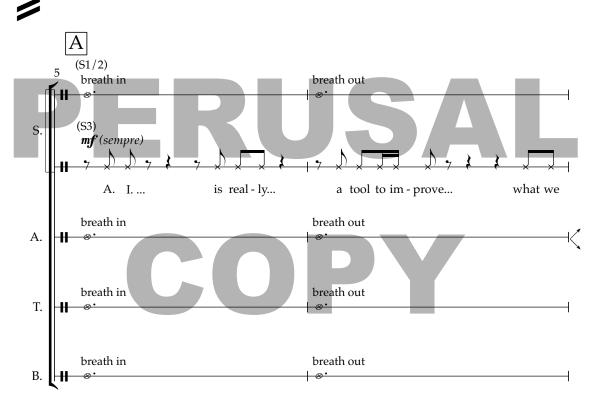
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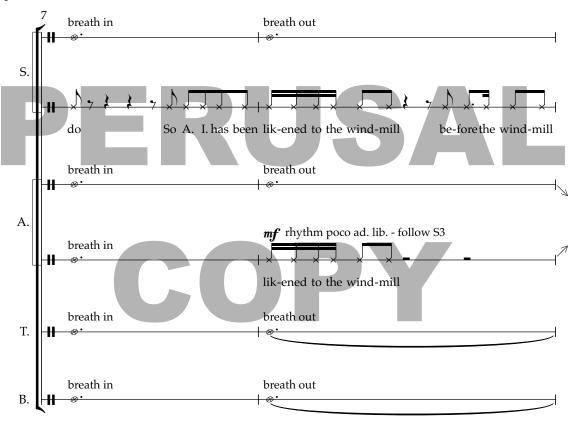
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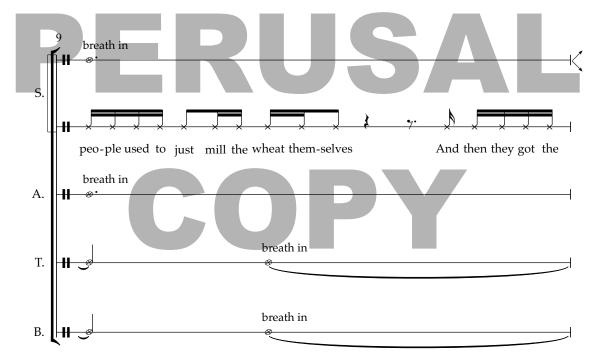
Movement One: Beginning

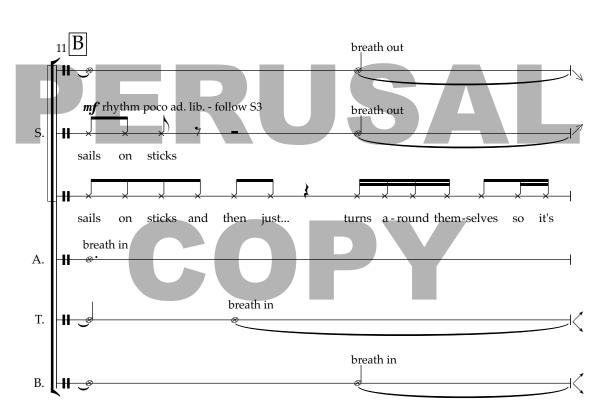


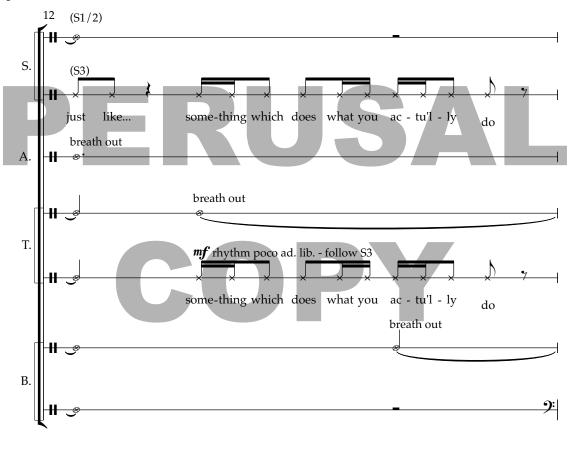


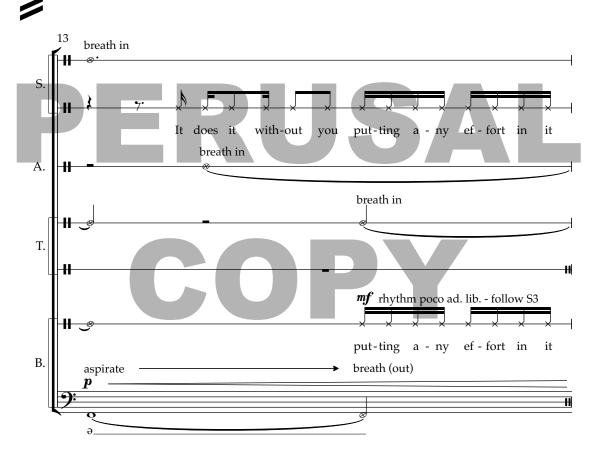


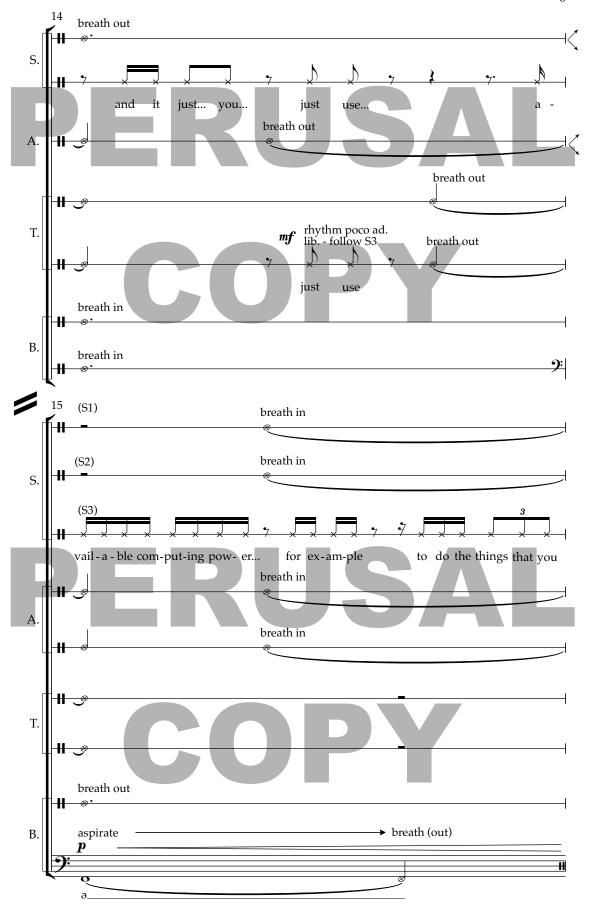




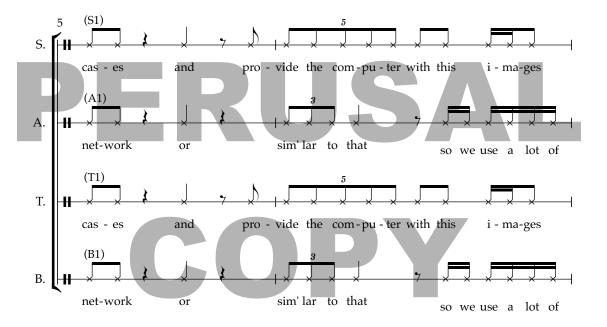




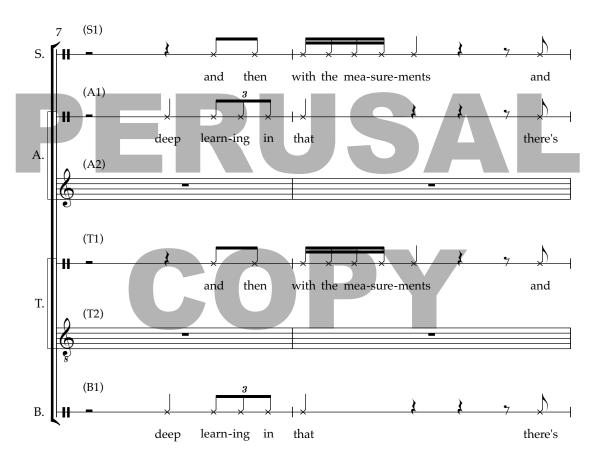


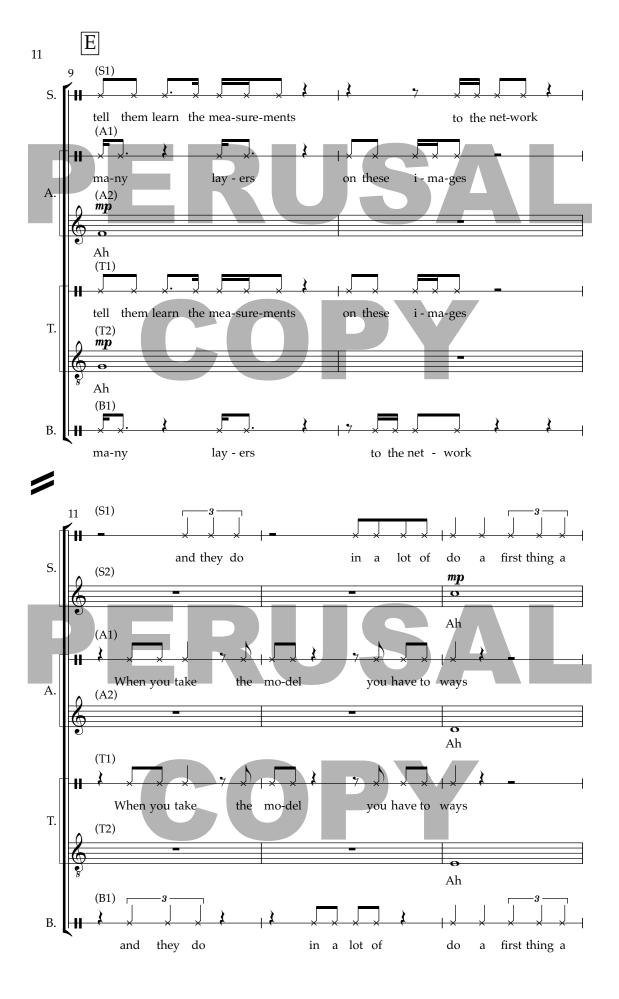


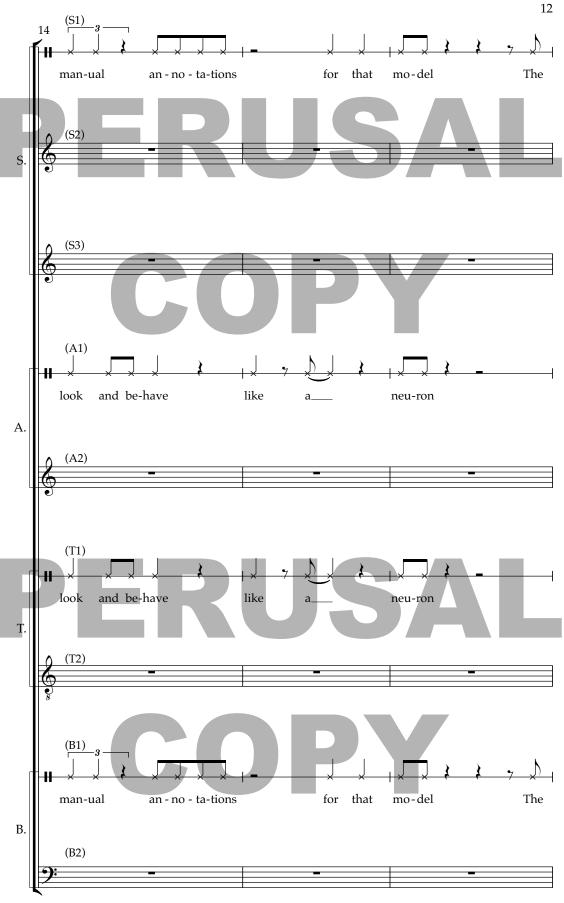








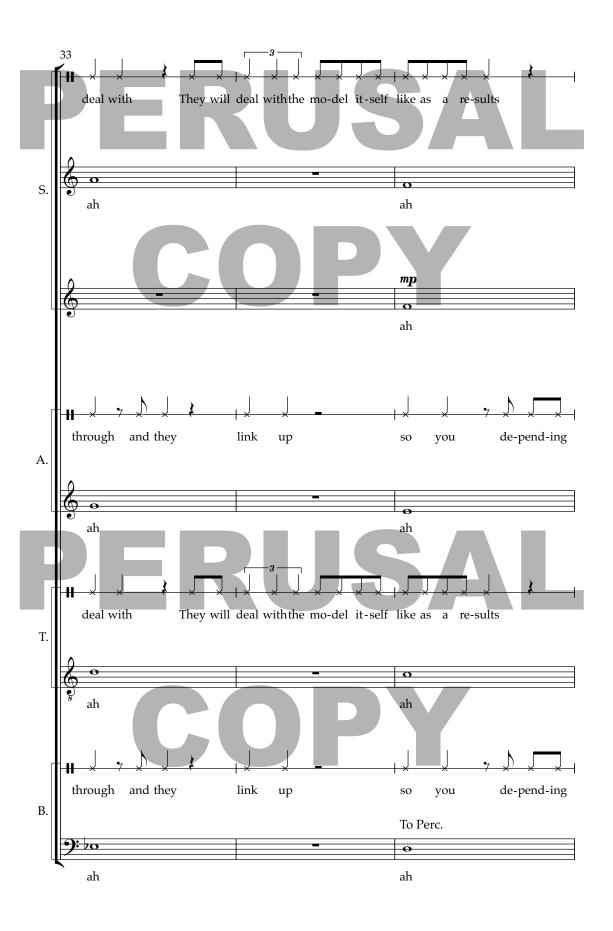


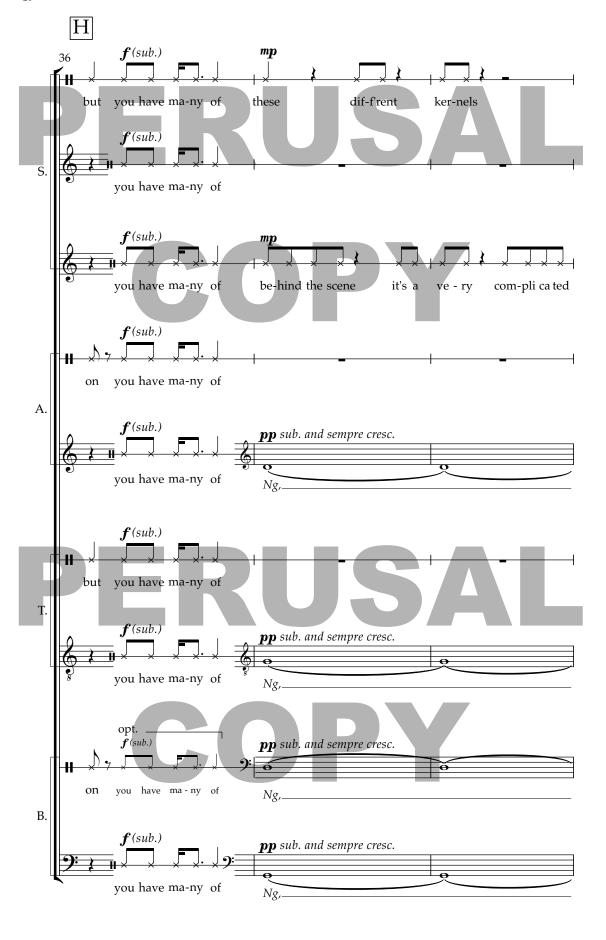


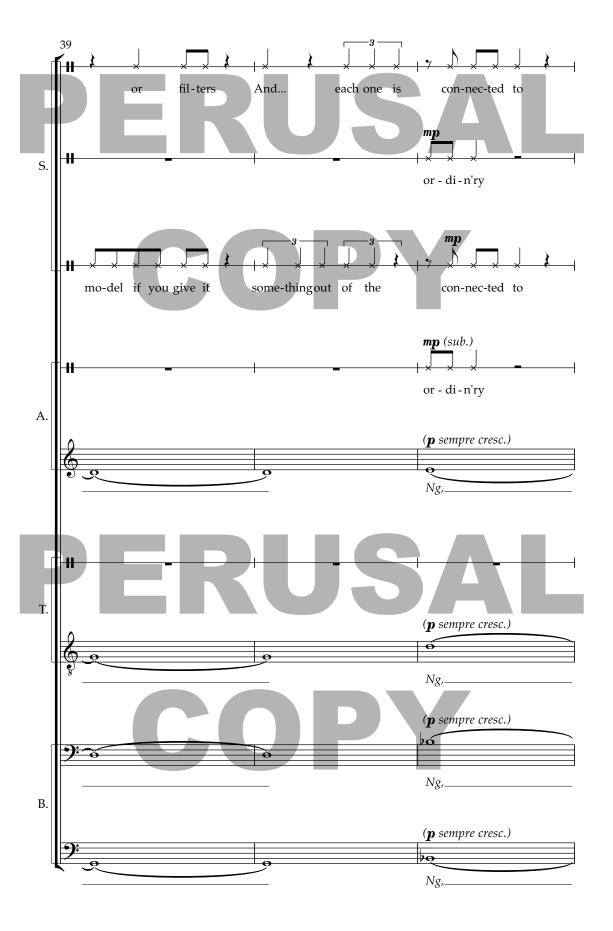


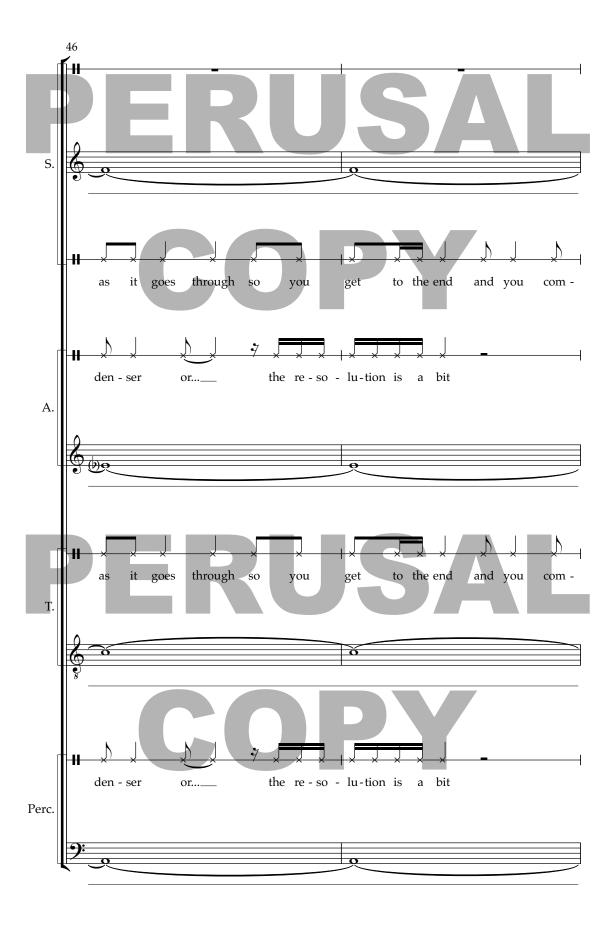




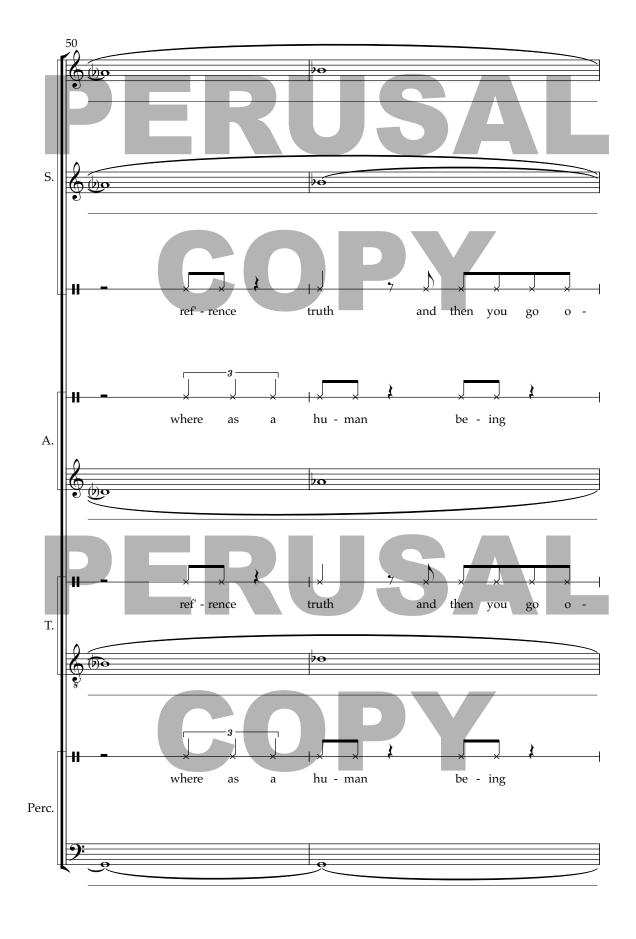




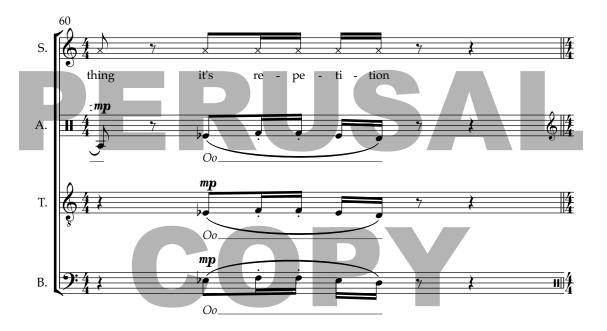






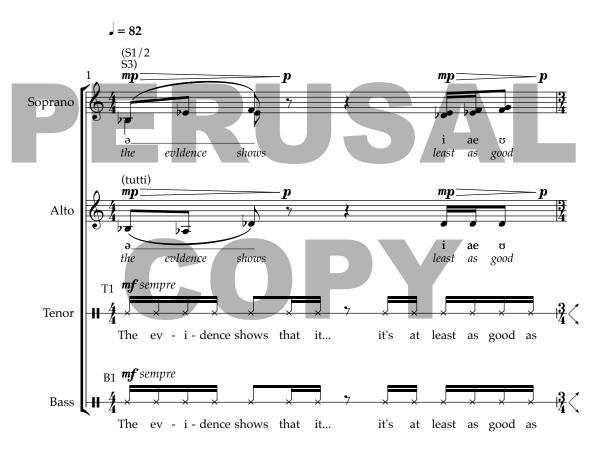








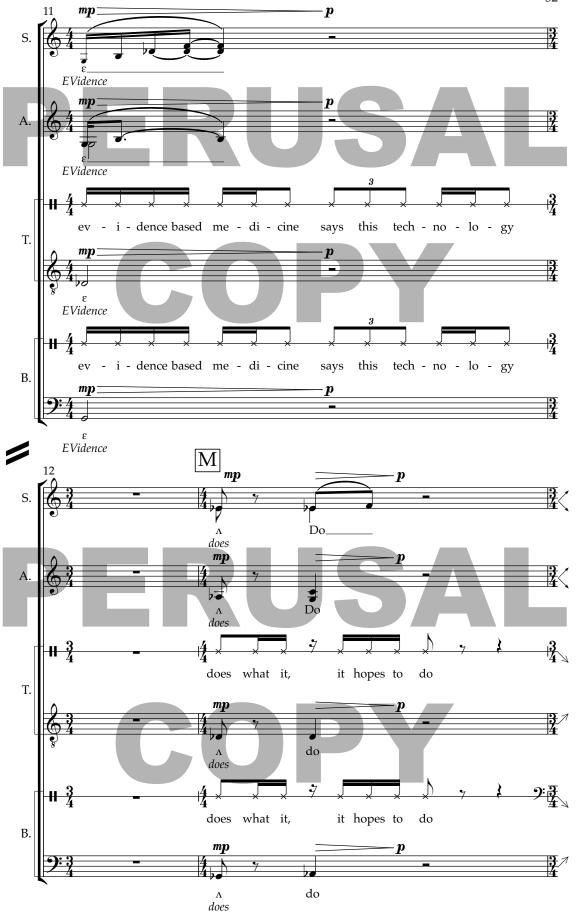
Movement Three: Trust



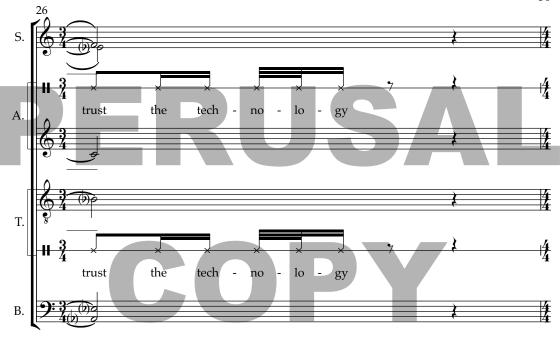








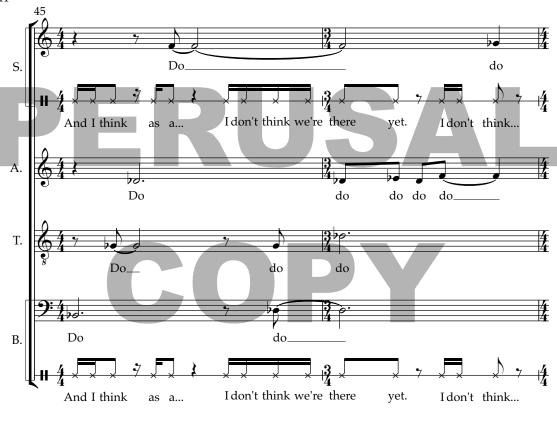


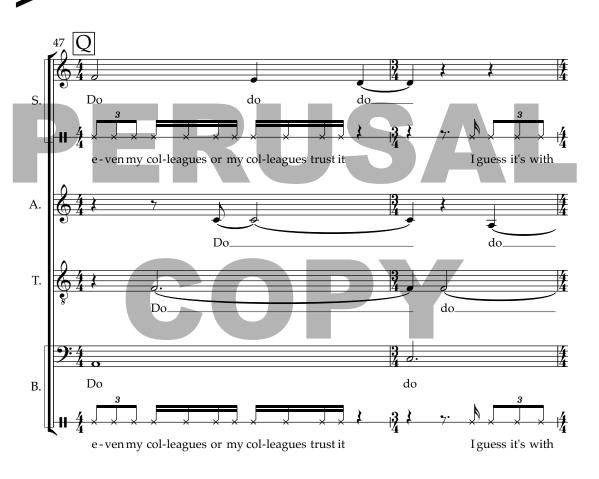


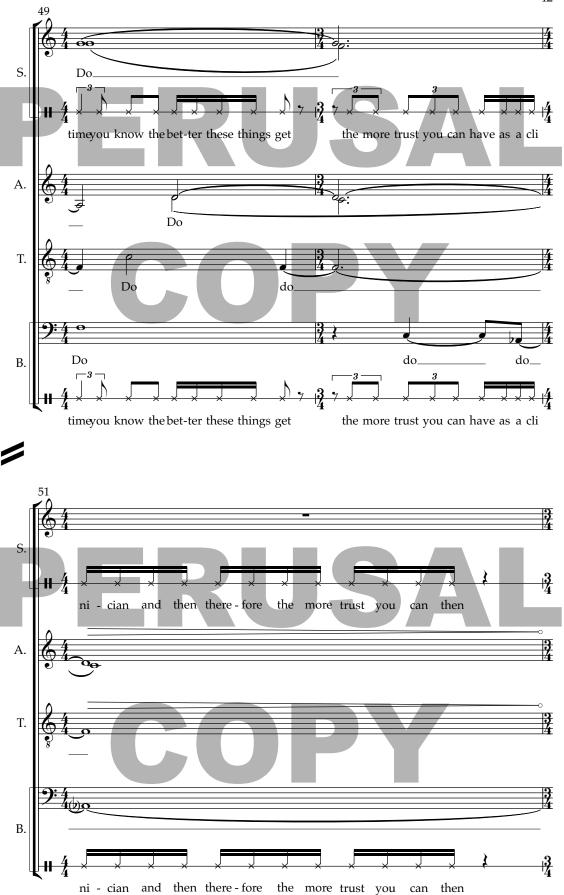


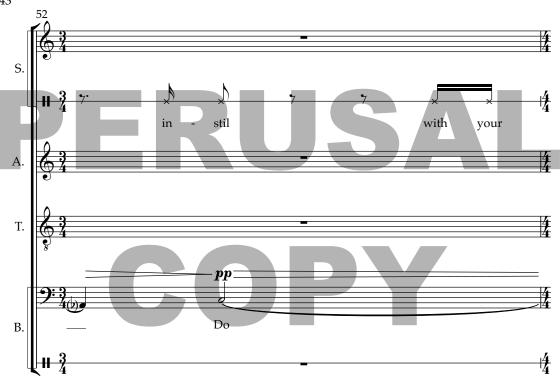




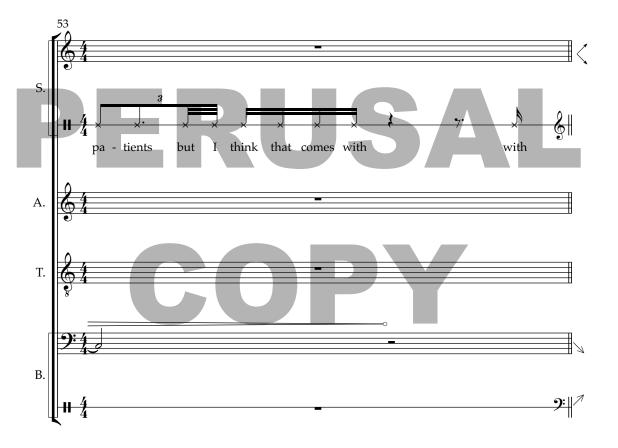




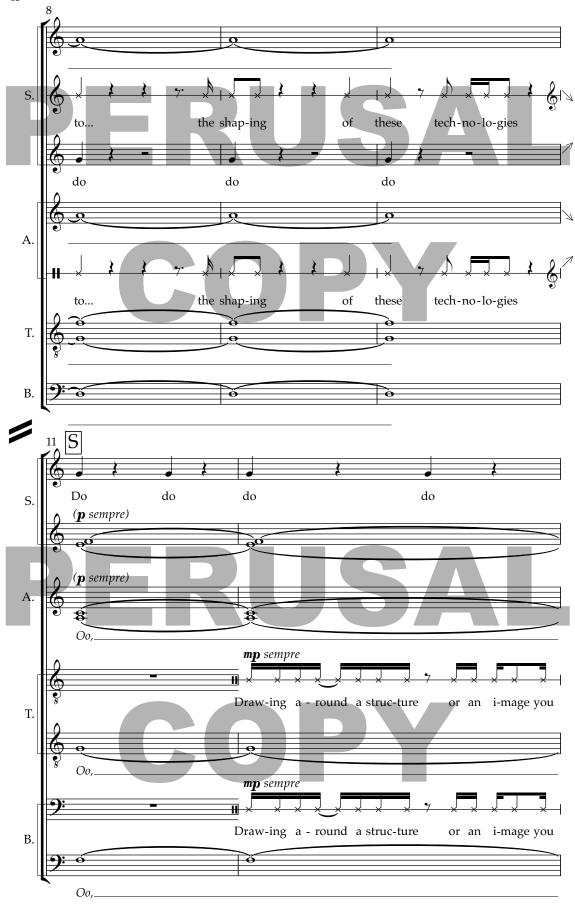


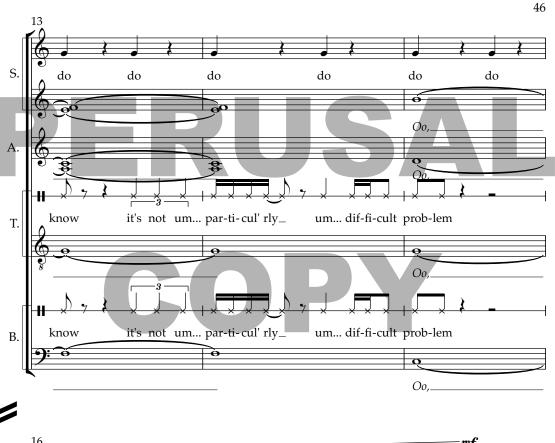




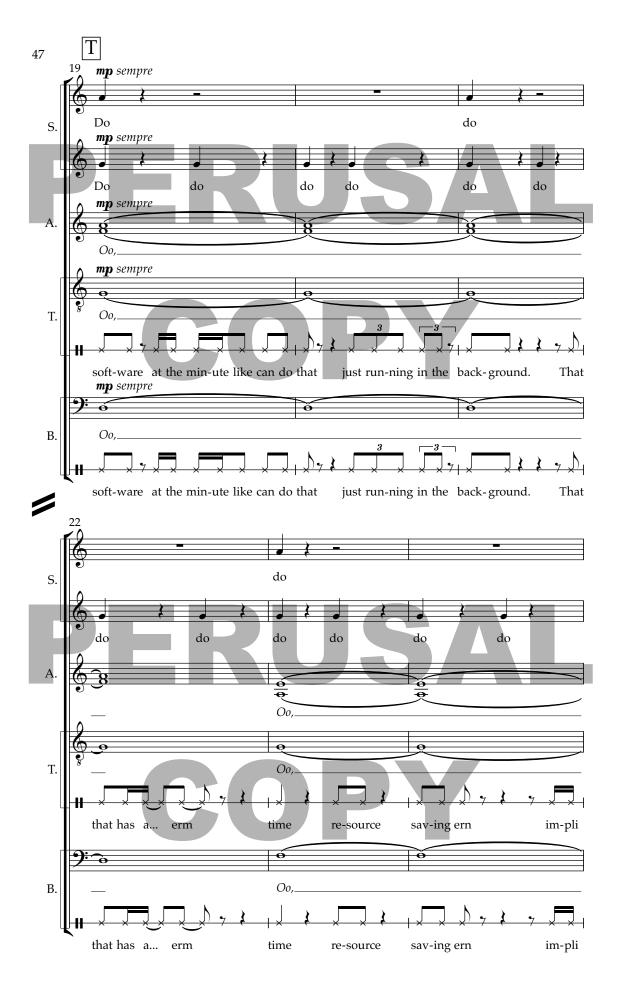




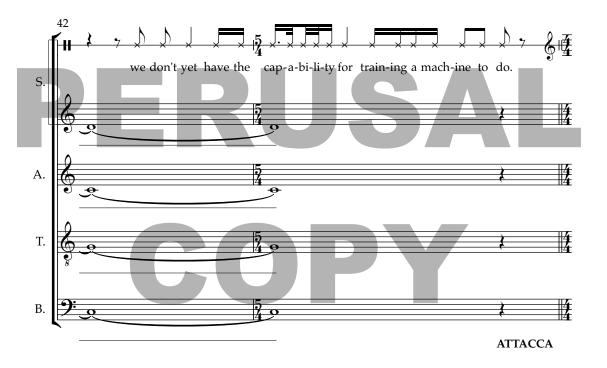














Movement Five: End

