



What is not Said is a Mime: A Rap

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It's a piece of music without rendition
A spell but no magician
Stagefright at the start of an audition
An engine with clear emissions
Not a film - just the intermission
A hushed plot behind a partition
Teargas to quell sedition
Subtraction in a formula of addition
The doubt in your ambition
(Gasp) "Your disease is in remission"
Empty boxes on a petition
Nil points at Eurovision
A break in the transmission
Blight before fruition
A glass eye on the desk of the optician's
Denial of permission

Deep breath before an admission
A ball of wires with no technician
A month before the next edition
A statement with a glaring omission
The empty cap of a busking musician
Where synapses pause before cognition
A wet match with no ignition
The right parts in the wrong position
A bowed head before submission
The shock that prompts a humanitarian mission
A muted video of nuclear fission
Why is silence so worthy of suspicion?
It is part of the human condition.