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The Obvious Child

music and lyrics by Paul Simon
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lively without rushing, $\text{♩} = 165$

solos/
duet/
trio

mf

solo from shoe: Well I'm ac-cus-tomed to a smooth ride,— or may-be I'm a dog who's lost— his bite — I don't ex-pect to be treat-

T1

mf ooh

T2

mf ooh

Bari

mf hoo

Bass

mf hoo

6

ed like a fool— no more, I don't ex-pect to sleep— through the night.

ooh

ooh

hoo

hoo

Some peo-ple say a lie is just a lie,

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Some peo-ple say a lie is just a lie

hoo

Some peo-ple say a lie is just a lie

11

— but I — say, hoo why — de-ny the ob-vi-ous chi - ild why — de-ny the ob-vi-ous chi - ild

— but I — say, hoo why — de-ny the ob-vi-ous child — why — de-ny the ob-vi-ous child —

— but I — say hoo doo why — de-ny the ob-vi-ous chi - ild why — de-ny the ob-vi-ous chi - ild

— but I — say doo n doo why — the ob-vi-ous child — de-ny the ob-vi-ous chi - ild

17 snaps start on 4 of 17, continue on beats 2 and 4 through 23

solo: And in re-mem-ber-ing a road sign — I am re-mem-ber-ing a girl when I — was young

hey! hoo re-mem-ber-ing a road sign hoo re-mem-ber-ing a girl when I — was a

hey! hoo re-mem-ber-ing a road sign hoo re-mem-ber-ing a girl when I — was a

hey! hoo re-mem-ber-ing a road sign hoo re-mem-ber-ing a girl when I — was a

hey! doo doo ba doo — doo doo — doo re-mem-ber-ing doo ba doo — doo a girl when I — was

22 no snaps

and we said, "These songs — are true, — these days — are ours, — these tears — are free,"

girl when I — was young — and we said — and we said, "These songs — are true, — these days — are ours, — these tears — are free,"

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doo ba doo — doo doo — and we said, — "These days are

27 restart snaps beats 2 and 4

hey — now; cross — is in the ball-park, cross — is in the ball-park.

hey — now hoo — doo doo doo doo — doo —

hey — now hoo — doo doo doo doo — doo —

hey — now hoo — doo doo doo doo — doo —

free" hey — now doo ba doo ba doo — doo doo — doo ba doo n doo doo ba doo — doo ba doo — doo ba doo n doo doo ba doo — doo doo —

48

restart snaps beats 2 and 4

by day— by day. Well I've been wak-ing up at

by n day— by day hoo

by n day— by n day hoo

by day— by day hoo

day day— by day— ba doo— doo doo— doo the ob- vi- ous doo ba doo— doo doo— doo been wak-ing up

53

sun - rise — I've been fol-low-ing the light a - cross my room — I watched the light re - ceive the room

hoo been wak-ing up at sun - rise hoo been fol-low-ing the light a - cross my room

hoo been wak-ing up at sun - rise hoo been fol-low-ing the light a - cross my room

hoo been wak-ing up at sun - rise hoo been fol-low-ing the light a - cross my room

doo ba doo— doo doo— doo been fol-low-ing doo ba doo— doo the light a - cross my doo ba doo— doo doo—

58

f no snaps through beat 3 of 62

snap beat 4!!!

of my — day. Some peo-ple say the sky is just the sky — but I — say

doo doo — *f* Some peo-ple say the sky is — just — the sky

doo doo — *f* Some peo-ple say the sky is — just — the sky

doo doo — *f* Some peo-ple say the sky is — just — the sky

doo doo — *f* Some peo-ple say the sky is — just — the sky

doo ba doo n doo doo ba doo— doo doo— Some peo-ple say the sky is — just — the sky doo

63 restart snaps beats 2 and 4

why de-ny the ob-vi-ous child, why de-ny the ob-vi-ous child?

hoo doo doo doo doo

hoo doo doo doo doo

hoo doo doo doo doo

doo ba doo— doo doo— doo ba doo n doo doo ba doo— doo doo— doo ba doo n doo doo ba doo— doo doo—

68 no snaps this measure snap on 2 and 4 no snaps this measure snap on 2 and 4 no snaps through 76

mf doo doo doo doo hoo

mf doo doo doo doo hoo

mf doo doo doo doo hoo

mf doo doo doo doo hoo

doo ba doo ba doo— doo doo— doo ba doo ba doo— doo doo— doo ba doo— doo doo—

74 calypso feel, snaps on beat 3 measures 77 through 92

Son-ny sits by his win-dow and thinks to him-self, Son-ny sits by his win-dow hoo

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doo ba doo ba doo— doo doo— doo ba doo n doo doo ba doo doo ba doo doo doo ba doo doo

80 welcome to da island, man!

how it's strange that some rooms are like — ca - ges Son - ny's year - book from
 hoo ooh — that some rooms are like ca - ges hoo Son - ny
 hoo ooh — that some rooms are like ca - ges ca - ges hoo Son - ny
 hoo ooh — that some rooms are like ca - ges ca - ges hoo Son - ny
 doo doo doo ba doo doo ba doo n doo doo ba be doo doo doo ba doo doo doo ba doo doo

86

high school is down from the shelf, — and he i - die - ly thumbs through the pa
 can't get a date now hoo — hoo ooh — keep on thumb - ing those — pa -
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 ba doo doo doo ba doo doo doo doo doo ba doo doo ba doo doo

91

no snaps through 100

ges. some have died, — *mp* some have fled from them - selves, — or
 ges — doo — fled —
 ges pa - ges doo *mp* doo — fled —
 ges pa - ges doo *mp* doo — fled —
 doo ba be doo doo doo ba doo doo doo — fled —

97

f

mf

restart snaps beat 3 through 104

strug - gled from here to get there; Son - ny wan - ders bey - ond his in - ter - i - or walls.

strug - gled from here to get there hoo

strug - gled from here to get the re hoo

strug - gled from here to get there hoo

strug - gled from here to get the - - re doo doo doo ba doo doo ba doo doo doo ba doo doo

104

snaps on beats 2 and 4 through 112

runs his hands through his thin - ning brown hair.

hoo

hoo

hoo

doo doo doo doo ba - be doo doo doo ba doo doo doo ba be doo doo doo ba doo doo doo ba be doo doo

110

no snaps through 129

ba doo bop Well I'm ac - cus - tomed to a

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ba doo bop

ba doo bop

doo ba doo doo doo ba be doo doo doo ba doo doo doo ba ba doo bop

115

smooth ride or may-be I'm a dog who's lost - his bite - I don't ex-pect to be treat-ed like a fool - no - mo-

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hoo ac-cus-tomed to a smooth ride or may-be I'm a dog who's lost - his bite - I don't ex-pect to be treat-ed treat-ed like a fool

hoo ac-cus-tomed to a smooth ride or may-be I'm a dog who's lost - his bite - I don't ex-pect to be treat-ed like a fool - treat-

120

- re I don't ex-pect to sleep - through the night some peo-ple say - a lie is just a lie but I - say cross-

- re I don't ex-pect to sleep - through the night some peo-ple say - a lie is just a lie but I - say cross-

no more - I don't ex-pect to sleep - through the night some peo-ple say - a lie is just - a lie is just I - say cross-

ed like a fool - I don't ex-pect to sleep - through the night some peo-ple say - a lie is just - a lie is just I - say cross-

125

restart snaps beats 2 and 4 through beat 2 of 136; descant starts third repeat

is in the ball - park hoo why - de-ny the ob - vi-ous child

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is in the ball-park a doo doo doo - why de - ny - de-ny the ob - vi-ous child why - de-ny the ob - vi-ous child

is in the ball-park a doo doo doo - why de - ny - de-ny the ob - vi-ous child ba doo - doo doo - doo the ob - vi-ous

131

why—de-ny the ob-vi-ous child why—de-ny the ob-vi-ous chi-ild why—de-ny the
 why—de-ny the ob-vi-ous child why—de-ny the ob-vi-ous chi-ild why—de-ny the
 why—de-ny the ob-vi-ous child why—de-ny the ob-vi-ous chi-ild why—de-ny the
 doo ba doo—doo doo—doo the ob-vi-ous doo ba doo—doo doo—doo the ob-vi-ous doo ba doo—doo doo—

136

1.-3. 4. end snaps beat 3 measure 137
 ob-vi-ous chi-i- ob-vi-ous child the ob-vi-ous chi-ild hey!
 ob-vi-ous chi- ob-vi-ous child the ob-vi-ous child hey!
 ob-vi-ous chi- ob-vi-ous child the ob-vi-ous child the ob-vi-ous chi-ild hey!
 doo ba doo ba doo n doo ba doo doo n doo doo the ob-vi-ous the ob-vi-ous chi-ild hey!