The Enemy Within



For Brass Band

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"In the Falklands we had to fight the enemy without. Here is the enemy within." Margaret Thatcher

The Miners' Strike of 1984-5 marked a turning point in the history of the UK, and in particular for the industrial regions in the north of England and South Wales. It was a time of great conflict, not only for the unions battling against government, workers against employers and striking pickets versus the police, but during this bitter dispute family members were turned against one another and communities were crushed: it is a human story as well as a political one.

My music cannot take sides or change history but, using the brass band – the musical voice of the miners – it aims to capture something of the mood and spirit of that dark time.

The piece is in two large-scale movements:

Part 1: 6.5 minutesPart 2: 10.5 minutesTotal: 17 minutes

Percussion (3 players)

- Timpani, concert bass drum, water drum*
- Vibraphone, 3 stand-mounted cow bells, tam-tam, water drum
- Concert bass drum, drum kit, water drum

*water drum – large rigid plastic containers used to deliver drinking water to offices, to be player with heavy wooden sticks (such as snare drum sticks reversed).

At rehearsal letter E (Part 2) the water drums begin a very slow rhythmic pulse, not conducted but playing together and making a very gradual *crescendo* and acceleration. When the pulse has achieved some sense of momentum the conductor directs the trombone entry which is to be played in strict time but independent of the drums, with no *accel*.

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muted (cup) Soprano Cornet muted (cup) Solo Cornet 1 & 2 muted (harmons) Solo Cornet 3 & 4 Repiano Cornet muted (cups) 2nd Cornet muted (cups) 3rd Cornet muted (cup) Flugel Solo Horn 1st Horn pp 2nd Horn muted 1st Baritone 2nd Baritone muted (cup) 1st Trombone muted (cup) 2nd Trombone muted (cup) Bass Trombone Euphonium pp Euphonium E♭ Bass B♭ Bass Timpani tam-tam: Percussion 1 vibraphone (motor off): ·O-

Percussion 2

bass drum















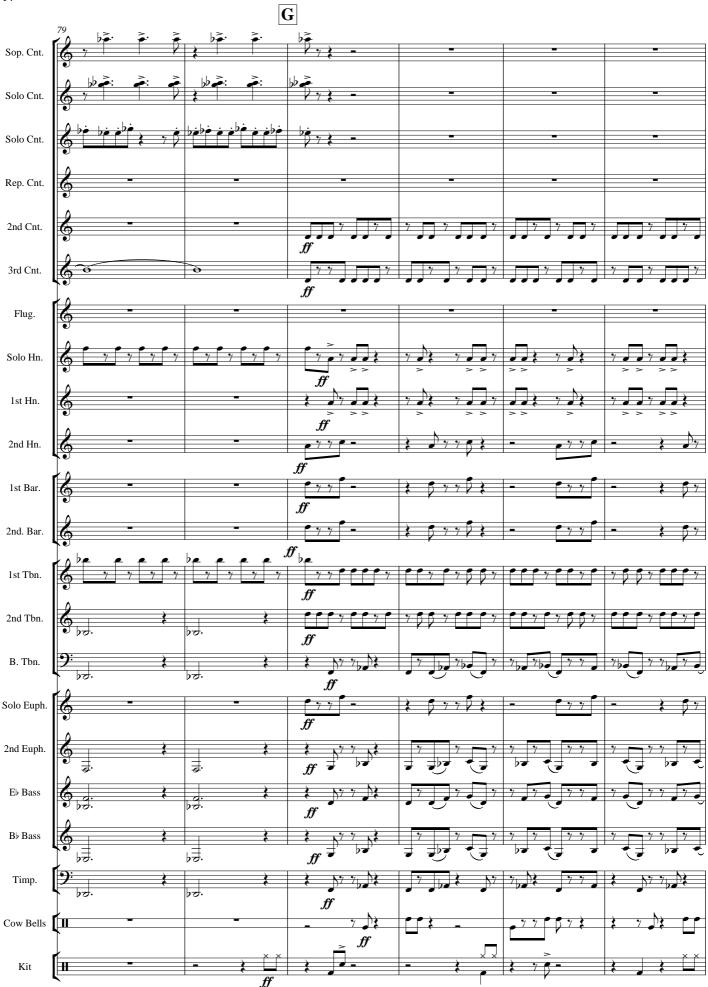




















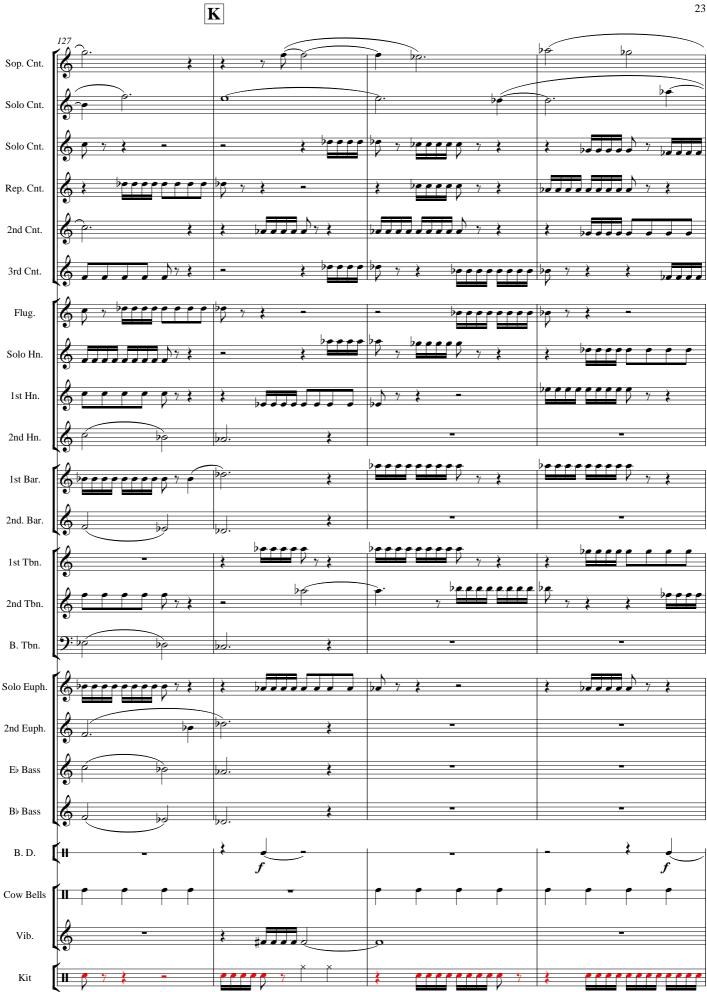






















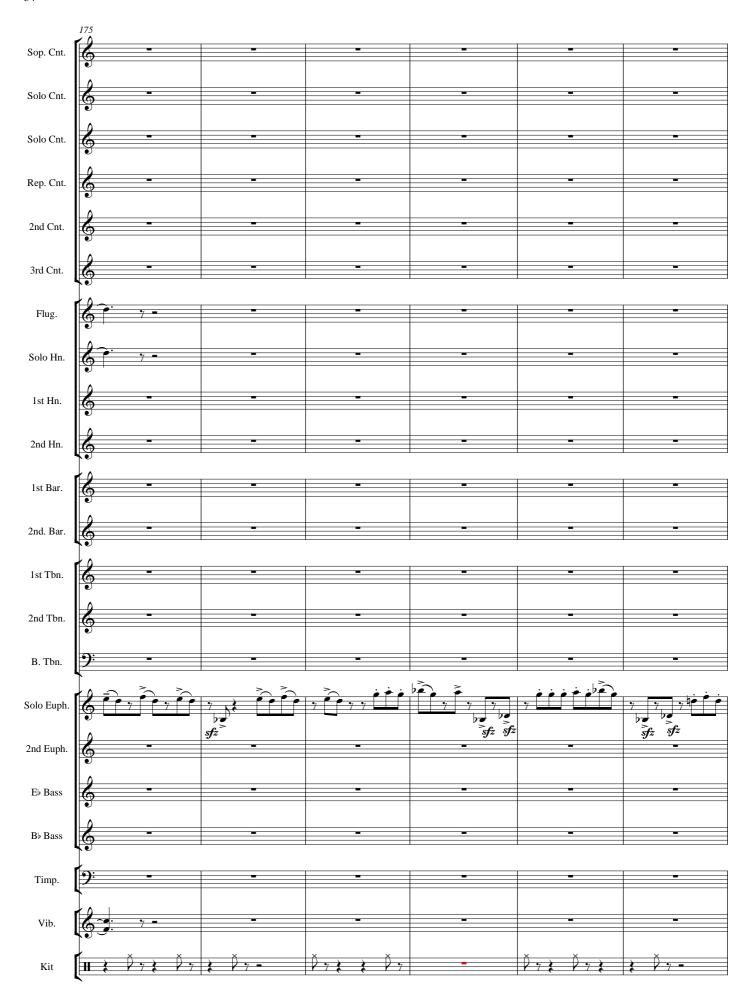


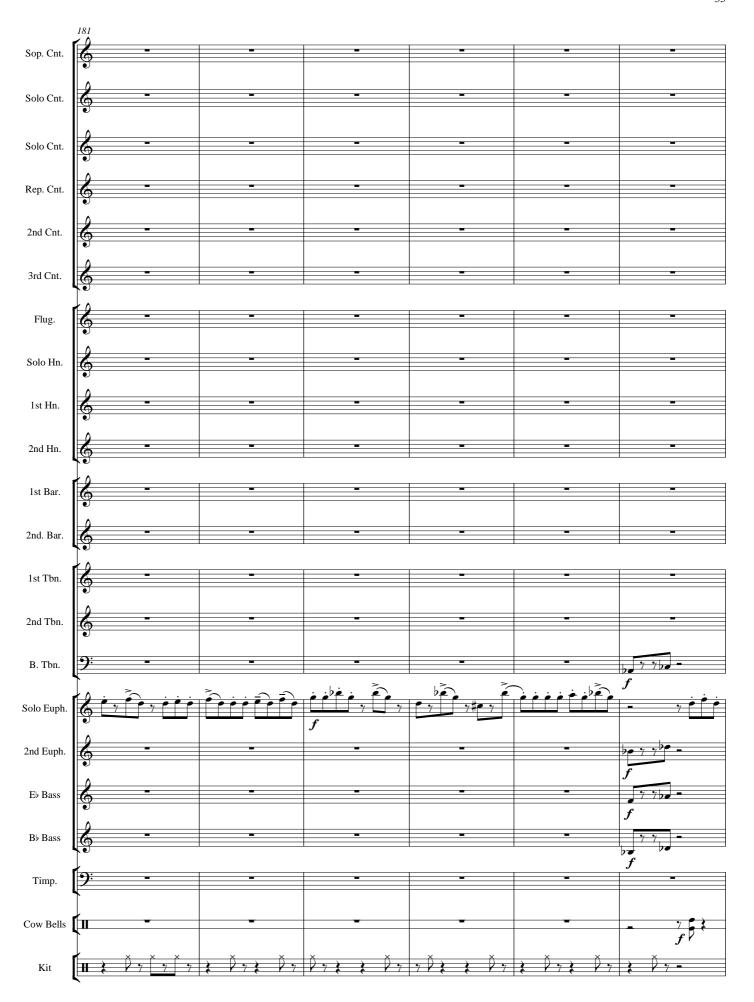


































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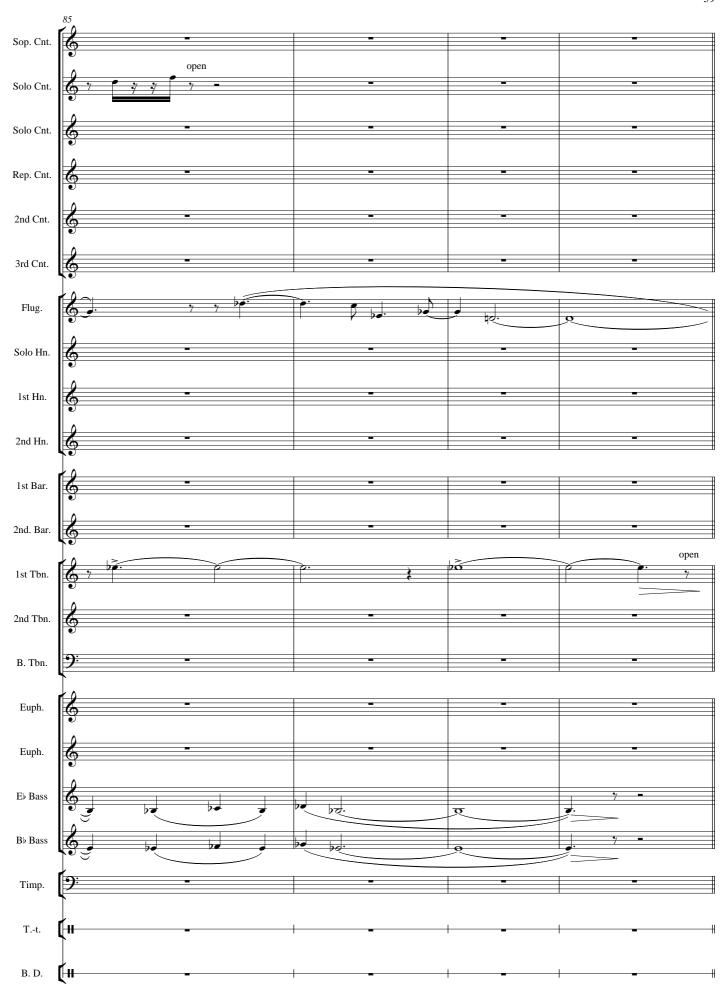




















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