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PREFACE

The Action Score Generator is a website that runs a JavaScript code. The code produces a text of six words in length for six seconds. Every six seconds the six word text is replaced by another six word text and so on and so, the six word texts disappear.

If you want to enact the instructions, interpret the score, perform it or even imagine performing it then six seconds might not be long enough.

If you want to read the texts aloud as poems or even read them silently in your head then six seconds might not be long enough.

The Action Score Generator is short and fast but sometimes short and fast might not be long enough.

I decided to record the texts, to document the generators' performance of random math and chance procedure on the 1st July 2014.

What follows is a six-minute performance by a machine writing ten six second texts every minute using only six words at a time. They are ordered as they were produced and remain unedited.

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SLATE INTO EYE RUB OUTSIDE LIPS

CURTAIN TO HEEL EXPLAIN IN PAVEMENT

PLANTS INSIDE NAILS LISTEN OUTSIDE OCEAN

POLYTHENE BESIDE SHOE WRITE TO OBSERVER

DIRT OVER BAG RUB INSIDE PEOPLE

SLATE INTO EARS LISTEN BETWEEN HOUSES

PHOTOS ON PALMS PLACE INSIDE ENTRANCE

SOCK TO CHAIR TRACE BESIDE TOWN

PLANTS BELOW STEP PULL INTO HOME

NAIL OUTSIDE EYE PIERCE TOWARDS FLOOR

WOOD TO PANTS DROP BELOW SKY

PLACARDS TOWARDS STEP OPEN WITHIN BARRIERS

ROPE OVER HEAD FOLD IN CAR

TOWEL OVER FOREHEAD TOUCH UNDER DOOR

PAPER TOWARDS SWAN RUB LIKE CONCRETE

SOCK INSIDE ARM ERASE ONTO FLOOR

TYPEWRITER INSIDE BEARD SCRIBBLE ON WINDOW

SPONGES LIKE SWAN SCATTER WITHIN ENTRANCE