

# Van Der Graaf Generator - Sleepwalkers

tom:

Intro: Dm C Bb C

Dm C Bb C  
At night, this mindless army  
Ranks unbroken by dissent  
Dm C Bb  
Is moved into action  
Am Bb C  
And their pace does not relent

Dm C Bb C  
In step, with great precision  
Dm C Bb C  
These dancers of the night  
Dm C Bb C  
Advance against the darkness -  
Am  
How implacable their might!  
Bb  
Eyes undulled by moon  
Am Bb F  
Their arms and legs akimbo  
Am Bb  
They walk and live, hoping soon  
Am Bb C Dm  
To surface from this limbo

Am G F  
Their minds, anticipating the dawn of the day  
G F Em  
Shall never know what's waiting mere insight away  
F Dm  
Too far, too soon

Dm C Bb  
Senses dimmed in semi-sentience  
Dm C Bb  
Only wheeling through this plane  
Dm C Bb  
Only seeing fragmented images  
Am Bb C  
Prematurely curtailed by the brain

Dm C Bb  
But breathing, living, knowing  
Dm C Bb  
In some measure at least  
Dm C Bb  
The soul which roots the matter  
Am  
Of both Beauty and the Beast

Am Bb  
From what tooth or claw does murder spring  
Am Bb F  
From what flesh and blood does passion?  
Am Bb  
Both cut through the air with the pendulum's swing  
Am Bb C Dm  
In deadly but delicate fashion

Am G F  
And every range of feeling is there in the dream  
G F Em  
And every logic's reeling in the force of the scream  
F Dm  
The senses sting

Am G F  
And though I may be dreaming and reality stalls  
G F Em  
I only know the meaning of sight and that's all  
F E Dm D  
And that's nothing

D A Dm A Am Ab

The columns of the ni-ght ad-van-ce  
D A Dm A Am Ab  
Infectiously, their cryp-tic dan-ce  
D A Ab Am Ab  
Gathers converts to the fold -  
Ab G Ab G  
In time the whole raw world will pace these same steps  
Ab  
On into the same bitter end

( Eb Eb7 Ab Db Ab )  
( Eb Eb7 Ab Fm G )  
( G7 Cm Dm F Am C B )

D Am Ab G  
Somnolent muster now the dancing dead  
D Am Ab G  
Forsake the shelter of their secure beds  
D Am Ab G  
Awaken to a slumber whose depths they dread  
Ab G  
As if the ground they tread would give way  
C E Ab G  
Beneath the solemn weight of their conception

C  
I'd search the hidden corners  
E  
Of all this world  
A D  
Make reason of the sensory whorl  
Dbm Am  
If I only had time  
B Am  
But soon the dream is en-ded

( Dm G F D )  
( Dm D C Bb )  
( D C D Bb C )

Dm C Bb C  
Tonight, before you lay down  
Dm C Bb C  
To the sweetness of your sleep  
Dm C Bb  
Do you question your surrender  
A Bb C  
To the drop from Lover's Leap  
Dm C Bb C  
Or does the anaesthetic darkness  
Dm C Bb C  
Take hold on its very own?  
Dm C Bb  
Does your body rise in service  
A Bb C  
With not one dissenting groan?

A Bb  
These waking dreams of life and death  
A  
In the mirror  
Bb F  
Are twisted and buckled  
A Bb  
Lashes flicker, a catch of breath  
A Bb C Dm  
Skin whitening at the knuckles

Am G F  
The army of sleepwalkers shake their limbs and are loose  
G F E  
And though I am a talker, I can phrase no excuse  
F D  
Not to rise again

D A Dm A Am Ab  
In the chorus of the night-time I belong  
D A Dm A Am Ab  
And I, like you, must dance to that moonlight song  
D A Ab G Ab G

And in the end I too must pay the cost of this life

Ab G  
If all is lost none is known

C E A D  
And how could we lose what we've never owned?

C E  
Oh, I'd search out every knowledge that I could find

A D  
Unravel all the mysteries of mind

Dbm  
If I only had time

Am  
If I only had time

Bm A  
But soon my time is ended

## Acordes

Chord diagrams for the following chords:

- D
- Dm
- C
- Bb
- Am
- F
- G
- Em
- E
- A
- Ab
- Eb
- Eb7
- Db
- Fm
- G7
- Cm
- B
- Dbm
- Bm