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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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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
TYPEWRITER INSIDE BEARD SCRIBBLE ON WINDOW
SPONGES LIKE SWAN SCATTER WITHIN ENTRANCE