

The Listeners - Mrs. Moreno Excerpt

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Act I: Scene 4

Poco più mosso

G ♩ = 76 [The tension immediately dissipates and Claire falls into her chair.]

Claire

49 ah _____ (howl) _____ ow _____

mf p

[The students clear out. Mrs. Moreno, the principal, enters to have a private conversation with Claire.]

H

Faster ♩ = 100

54

legato

(p)

Mrs. Moreno: *Star*

58 Claire, — what is go-ing on with you?

(p) f

I

61

Claire: *mp exhausted*

[Mrs. Moreno cuts Claire off.]

Claire: Noth - ing, a sleep-less night.

Mrs. Moreno: You screamed pro-fan-i-ty at your

(p) f p

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Claire

I... I lost it, for a mo - ment... *trailing off*

Mor.

class, Claire.

(p) *f* *p*

67

Claire

Mor.

And there are al - le-ga-tions you were in - ap-pro-pri-ate with one of your stu-dents!

mf *f* *ff* *mp*

70

Claire

Could-n't be fur - ther ___ from the truth.

mp *f* *p* [Mrs. Moreno takes her time, sits back in her chair.]

f *p*

74

Claire

Mor.

p *ff*

I...
Col - lect your things. —

78

Claire

Mor.

mp *ff*

I... I'm in so much pain. —
Col - lect — your — things, —

81

Claire

Mor.

colla voce *f*

Sleep?! —

mp offhand, flippant

and get some sleep.

[Claire stares in disbelief as Mrs. Moreno returns to her desk and starts shuffling papers.]