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# Peter Jaeger MIDAMBLE

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#### **NOTES FOR EDITORS**

#### About the book

Midamble is a long poem that concerns Peter Jaeger's interest in walking practice; in particular his travels on a variety of pilgrimage routes. A prose poem, it comprises two bands of text: the top level is a list of walking experiences whilst the bottom reappropriates materials from comparative religion texts. Midamble is a poem that is clearer than crystal, and possesses a musical quality that is comparable to seminal and contemporary minimalist music.

The poem also has a life in durational performance. When read live *Midamble* demonstrates its consistency as well as its diversity. In such performances listeners are invited into a collective experience in which they can engage with ideas for as little as a moment or as long as several hours. Indeed, perhaps its most enduring feature is its quality of having no fixed entry or exit point.

## **About the poet - Peter Jaeger**

Peter Jaeger is a Canadian poet, literary critic and text-based artist now living in the UK. His recent publications include John Cage and Buddhist Ecopoetics (Bloomsbury 2013) and 5404 (University of London Veer Press 2014). He has also published A Field Guide to Lost Things with if p then q. Jaeger is Professor of Poetics at Roehampton University in London.

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www.ifpthenq.co.uk – James Davies' experimental poetry publishing house, including David Berridge, Tom Jenks, P. Inman, Lucy Harvest Clarke, Tim Atkins, Holly Pester, Philip Terry, Chrissy Williams, seekers of lice, nick-e Melville, Michael Basinski, Joy as Tiresome Vandalism, Peter Jaeger, Stephen Emmerson, derek beaulieu and Geof Huth. Matchbox (archived at Poetry Magazines http://www.poetrymagazines.org.uk/)–James Davies' poetry publishing object which ran 2006-8.

www.otherroom.org – Home to *The Other Room*, Manchester's premier bi-monthly experimental poetry night associated strongly with *if p then q*.

www.jamesdaviespoetry.com – The editor's website.

