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# The Equivocation

'I have never lied.'  
This way my devout uncle  
Equivocated.

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# Determination

Dogs shall keep barking;  
Still, never let them vex you;  
It's your life, for sure.

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# Free And Found

Stardom caused me scars;  
I'm happy with what I have;  
No paparazzi.

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# The Uncanny Fact

The more you envy,  
The better will I become,  
It sounds strange although.

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# The Moody Sky

The sky cries at times;  
He emits fire, when needed;  
Angry with a heart...

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# Numbness

My heart felt so numb  
That I had to die, I had to,  
Before death, becoming dumb,  
In a trance to seek what's true.

Everything is so scattered;  
Everyone is so pretentious;  
My existence feels flattered  
Amidst all to be prestigious.

We contaminate our globe;  
We desecrate our within;  
In all things, we do probe;  
Our hearts remain unclean.

Well, we keep seeking sooth,  
But don't we equivocate?  
We try to distort the truth;  
Hence, the numbness we do mandate.

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# Lost But Lessoning

The lost Wonderland

Made me break down all at once,

But I learnt what's real.

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# A Gift To The World's Best Dad

Like an umbrella,  
You protect all of us;  
Every little corolla  
Is saved from the fuss.

This world may change a lot,  
But your affection never;  
Life is a battle to be fought;  
You teach me so forever.

When it comes down to quarrel,  
You become silent, so silent;  
Overflows your barrel  
Of pain and sentiment.

I know I cause you pain;  
I do get over remorse;  
If it happens time and again,  
There remains no love, but force.

I tell you 'sorry',  
A word too little to say;  
It all becomes a different story,  
As atonement's told 'nay'.

As I hurt you a lot, Dad,  
My heart, too, does, does bleed;  
My temper turns me as if mad;  
I commit another ill deed.

Still, you keep blessing me,  
Though I don't change, Dad;  
I tread on the path of memory  
To find the best dad.

I wish to control my wrath;  
I do wish to stay calm;  
To return to the right path,  
I need you, Dad, my true chum.

As the worst sinner,  
I blame you, I blame mum;  
I try to be cleaner,  
But my sins snatch my hum.

Life is so uncanny  
That I don't think a bit;  
I make my destiny  
Worse by staying unlit.

I disgrace myself the most  
By blaming you and mum;  
Two angels from a host,  
You both remain so calm.

We go to watch magic;  
We pay pennies for that;  
Our lives become more tragic  
As we ignore your magic, O Dad.

My voice is getting choked  
With the lump in my throat;  
Whom I must have evoked  
Keeps me afloat.

Anyway, Dad, anyway,  
It's time to light a candle;  
A very happy birthday  
From us, whom you fondle.

No more tears; only smile;  
Many happy returns of the day;  
Bereft of any phony style,  
We wish you again, 'Happy Birthday! '

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# A Walk Down The Tunnel

"Darkness does embalm;  
All things, getting calm,  
Produce an eerie feeling;  
Can it serve with a healing? "

"Aye, aye, sure, sure!  
Such feelings do us lure,  
To approach its end."  
"Can we reach, my friend?

The tunnel's too long;  
With the bats' screeching song,  
It does sound so strange."  
"We can't fathom its range.

The tunnel's so profound  
With the sorrowing sound  
Of a wailing woman at a distance;  
Hush! You can't at her glance."

"Is she visible? Is she? "  
"Take some time for her to see.  
You'll know everything;  
Hence, you have to cling."

"Such a sooty place! "  
"Don't disgrace, pal, don't disgrace."  
"Where is she now? "  
"You'll know the knowhow."

"I sneeze and cough, sneeze and cough.  
Whoa! Was that not a female laugh? "  
"Yes, it is! Yes, it is!  
Here you'll find eternal bliss."

"Eternal bliss? What does it mean?  
You were supposed to guide me clean."  
'Of course, I do. Oh! Sure!  
Let's see how much you can endure.'

'Then why such things, my friend? '  
&quot;Don't you expect to behold the end? &quot;  
&quot;Wait! Stop! Who are you? &quot;  
&quot;I'm likewise as you view.

Here is your healing, here!  
My service to you is so sheer!  
Here you'll find divine bliss!  
Ha! Now behold your Mephistopheles.&quot;

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# The Intruder

Don't pile up anger;  
Don't let it change your story;  
It isn't the author.

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# The Coronation

The golden sunshine  
Adorns the hilltops with such  
Royal coronets...

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# No Room For Fatigue

Never feel fatigued,  
For there is more to explore  
Always in this world.

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# Self-Deceived

My heart's torn apart  
Not by any, but by me,  
The worst deceiver.

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## Light Needed Within (Senryu)

There's light everywhere;  
Still, our hearts are full of murk;  
We need light indeed.

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# False Insanity

No need to hurry;  
No need to hustle;  
The waves do carry  
Our each sandcastle.

Life contains a measured beat;  
We need to accept all;  
Freedom has a deep seat,  
As we're given the call.

All things seem pointless;  
What is the truth then?  
Of all things regardless,  
We falsely become insane.

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# Bleed To Succeed

The way to success

Is stony and full of thorns;

We've to bleed, for sure.

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# The Best Moment

The moment we do

Perceive that we're imperfect,

We try to succeed.

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# Unintelligible Words

The ocean behind  
Seems to speak a lot of things;  
We can't understand.

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# The Measureless Motion (Haiku)

The river flows on,  
Though there are murky forests  
On its either side.

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# The Vanity Of Vanity (Senryu)

Boast not of money;  
It elevates to destroy  
Our human nature.

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## Needful (Senryu)

A bold strong mettle  
Do we need to speak the truth;  
That we need to know.

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## Pristine Forever (Senryu)

O, your affection  
Gives me new birth every day;  
How pure you are, Mom!

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## A Presage (Tanka)

The scorching sunbeams  
Envelop this atmosphere  
In no time, for sure,  
As if Nature is about  
To blow her bugle of war.

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## Unconcealable (Haiku)

None can hide your flair;  
The gunpowder must catch fire  
And make you shine through.

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# The Voice Of The River (Haiku)

The murmuring sound  
Of the gushing clear river  
Speaks to enjoy life.

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# The Short Word (Haiku)

'Life' is a short word,  
But it means just everything;  
It goes on and on.

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## For Tomorrow's Gain (Haiku)

Embrace today's pain;  
There's no doubt that you'll succeed;  
It's tomorrow's gain.

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## Like A Diamond (Haiku)

Give me more pressure;  
Generate the gem in me  
Just like a diamond.

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# Loving Our Mother Nature (Haiku)

Let us love Nature;  
She's full of mercy, but, too,  
Sometimes malignant.

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## Vain Victory (Haiku)

We fight tooth and nail,  
To establish our triumph.  
All lost in the dust!

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# Let's Lessen The Severity

The cosmic order comprises  
Harmony among all things:  
Nature, and man, and virtues.  
Yes, our virtues hold us  
Firm in oneness with Nature.  
And the invisible thread  
That holds our virtues  
Is none other than love.  
But we are disobedient  
To the moral norms:  
We defile Nature,  
We act unkind,  
We mask our true visages.  
Hence, now, during this  
Uncertain time of pandemic,  
Cyclones and other blows,  
Nature reverts to us.  
No more do the pupils  
Go to their institutes;  
No more do the employees  
Go to their workplaces.  
Unemployment and starvation  
Will, perchance, be in the offing.  
We are going to face  
Even more dire days.  
We are supposed to be  
Full of love, sympathy, and  
Unity to make this turmoil  
Seem less severe...  
We're world citizens;  
Let's protect our earth,  
Let's protect our Nature,  
Let's protect each life  
To make this world  
A less petrifying and  
A less malevolent place for living.  
Instead of desiring better tomorrow,  
We need less harmful,  
We need less uncertain

Future for all of us.

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# Many Happy Returns, O Mother

Since the very morning,  
Be it of the day, or  
Be it of my life,  
You love me.  
Selfless love indeed!  
You showed me  
The light of this world.  
O Mother, I love you.  
Sometimes, in fret or  
In pain, I misbehave.  
I know that, O Mother.  
I repent and say sorry,  
But forgetting all of my  
Misbehaviour, you stretch  
Your open arms to me.  
You are my first as well as  
My best teacher in the world,  
O Mother. Whenever you give  
Me your cosy hug, I feel so secure.  
While I write this, my eyes become  
Hazy and my voice choked, for God  
Has given me the best gift in the world,  
And that is none but you, O Mother.  
You are the best mother, as per me.  
Years will roll, when you'll grow old.  
One day, you will, perchance, leave me,  
Leave me all alone in this corrupt world.  
Where will I find such pure love then?  
Teardrops roll down my cheeks, I feel  
A lump in my throat thinking that.  
God bless you, God bless all,  
God bless everyone here on the earth.  
Let me make the most of the time,  
The transient time flying away.  
Stay with me, O Mother, please.  
Please don't leave me alone here.  
Many happy returns of the day,  
O Mother, many happy returns  
Of happy Mothers' Day. Stay well.



# Let's Reunite

We gave up our unity  
With each and every barrier;  
Abandoned integrity  
Ushers in each disaster.

With our 'narrow domestic walls',  
We all live in a cocoon;  
Do we ever answer Nature's call?  
How do we expect her boon?

We defiled her to the utmost;  
Aye! We love to hate;  
With our unpremeditated boast,  
We've brought in such a state.

We endeavoured to 'modernise'  
This world of ours;  
Nature will now all traumatise;  
No lenience of flowers.

Corona's raid,  
Amphan's dread  
Turns us all afraid;  
Once, Nature bled.

It's time, it's time,  
When we must get unified;  
Unity should chime,  
Else we'll get more petrified.

It's the moment, it's the moment,  
When we all must sympathise;  
To get rid of such confinement,  
Let's this earth re-naturalise.

With Pride, Envy, Lust,  
We've made this earth an inferno;  
With Greed, with Disgust,  
We do suffer the bleeding blow.

One good deed a day,  
At least, if we do,  
We'll keep the storms away;  
We'll feel ever-new.

Let's renovate each thought;  
Let's renovate our aspect;  
Things won't be brought to naught;  
Let's love, and unite, and respect.

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# My Cute Little Brother

My cute little brother,  
Full of pristine purity,  
Glow amidst people other,  
Full of divine sanctity.

Stuffed with pure love,  
Filled with intimate innocence,  
Like an angel from above,  
He spreads his milky essence.

Cute little fingers  
On the sweetest smile  
That's constant and lingers  
Wash away guile.

Lo! There does he crawl!  
Oh! There he tries to stand!  
Stand and fall! Stand and fall!  
Give him a helping hand.

Oh! Look at his eyes!  
So pure and so sheen;  
The cute comrade touches the skies  
With his heart pristine.

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# Out Of Control

Summer's scorching heat  
Takes away rhyme and beat.  
We lose our mind;  
Is summer so unkind?  
We all lose our reason  
In such a furnace-prison;  
Crying for rescue, 'Help! Help! ',  
We try to touch the rainy elf.  
Does she listen? Does she?  
No? She dances in ecstasy?  
Time has come, time has come  
To pay us back with its sum.  
We played our roles long before—  
Love for love, sore for sore.  
We reap what we sow;  
Can't keep what's to go.  
One day, we practised tyranny;  
Now it's time to accept destiny.  
Virtue is virtue; vice is vice;  
We can't control the rolling dice.

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# Learning Positive Vibes

The clock strikes four;  
I'm never like before;  
I've learnt to take life's drink  
Up to the lees from the brink;  
Multiple layers of joy  
Help me sail my humble hoy  
In the midst of others;  
I found life's new colours;  
The sun is about to wane;  
Yes, he will come up again,  
Again tomorrow,  
Wiping each sorrow.  
The 'sunny spots of greenery'  
Adorn the entire scenery,  
Playing hide-and-seek;  
Yet, how mild and meek!  
Oh! How so mild?  
Everything's so wild  
In this savage society,  
Where there's almost no gaiety.  
'No sorrow! Have no sorrow!  
I'll come up again tomorrow.'  
No sorrow but pure peace  
In the lap of natural bliss.  
So many sides we learn,  
So many outlooks we earn  
In life's fathomless fountain;  
Nothing obstructs as a mountain;  
When we stay positive,  
Without allowing vibes negative,  
We can learn, we may earn  
Wisdom; life never seems stern.

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# The Eternal Thirst (Haiku)

Universal thirst  
To meet You haunts me always,  
Causing commotion.

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# The Flowers

The flowers like yellow topaz  
Keep swaying in the breeze;  
Such integrity Nature has  
Alone with no pause and cease.

Let's follow the Mother;  
Let's gather her integrity;  
She alone knows forever  
What's called chastity.

Forget the people;  
Forget the mob;  
Garner your ripple;  
Unleash your sob.

Let your sweetest sob  
Create always something new;  
Let the malicious mob  
Know of its vaudeville view.

Let them envy,  
Let them snarl;  
Let them ill be;  
Let them criticism hurl.

Many things shall take place,  
But allow you trust self;  
Mind, they'll never show grace;  
They'll never offer help.

Whenever you are creative,  
More criticisms will arise;  
Still, you need to stay positive  
To allow them return with sighs.

Learn from the flowers,  
Leaning yet strong;  
Open the doors of your bowers,  
For creating song after song.



# Identityless

In the midst of a thousand works,

Full of empty and juggling jerks,

I fear to forget who I am;

Am I pure or am I sham?

'Who's this? ' I sometimes wonder;

Amidst manifold tasks, I squander.

I lose my identity;

Amidst pressure and gravity,

I lose my spirit,

I lose life's tidbit;

Where is life, for sure?

Do I care? Do I cure?

I lose my entity, my entity

In the midst of millions of identity.

The manifold facades blur my face;

My smell and smile are hidden in grimace.

Who am I? Who am I?

Identitylessness makes me die.

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# In The Age Of Sophistication

O, free me up, free me up;

I can no more stay fettered;

With the cute avian club,

I want the chains to get battered.

Poetry, my only means of communication,

Gifts me love and liberty;

Society's full of every instigation;

Satan tries to confine me.



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The most pathetic music

Does sound the most melodious;

This life, though tragic,

Gifts me my pain, familiar and joyous.

Love comes more naturally than Hate

To each one of us, humankind;

Why then do we sophisticate

Our life that turns us blind?

Don't you smile in joy?

Don't you weep in pain?

Why then hide, my boy?

Why do people call us insane?

To bring the true feeling and

Act accordingly is sheer honesty;

Why do we then reprimand?

Why do we lose our modesty?

We belittle people;

But why? Why? Why?

Does that rumour ripple

Our hearts with joy,

Or do we have to sigh?

Can sadism bring us true

Joy at all, at all, for sure?

Why then they and you

And I don't care to endure?

We have forgotten to smile;

We have forgotten to cry in peace;

Every moment we're full of guile;

We fail to attain the truest bliss.

Let's be honest with all;

Let's love people with no purpose;

Let's answer Nature's call;

Boon shall shower on us.

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# Love The Life

No more will I make life freeze;  
I will enjoy my life up to its lowest lees.  
Life is short; it is precious;  
Life can't stand with things malicious.  
Why shouldn't I, why shouldn't I?  
Soar with wings up in the sky?  
Aye, I do love to dream;  
Like the stars, I don't gleam,  
But I will shine, shine, for sure;  
The more will I shine, the more endure.  
I'll shed no more tears,  
Banish all my fears,  
To become purified,  
No more feel petrified.  
No more will I let life freeze;  
I'll enjoy life up to its lowest lees.  
I may be wrong; I may be right;  
No more indulge sheer sham fright.  
There is just one life for living;  
Don't waste it with flattering craving.  
Love life more, love it even more;  
Such love will balm your every sore.  
The truth will surely come to light;  
Each thing'll be revealed extra-bright.  
What we try to hide,  
May flow free like tide;  
What we try to bring to light,  
May be murky like the night.

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# Life, A Boomerang

The more you write,  
The more 'exact' you will be;  
The more you fight,  
The more challenged you will be.

The more you criticise,  
The more disgraced you will be;  
The more you optimise,  
The more esteemed you will be.

Whatever we do or say,  
Returns to us for sure;  
One beholds the brightest day,  
When one knows how to endure.

Life is a boomerang;  
We know it, yet care not;  
Sometimes, we need to hang  
On to improve our lot.

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# Aspect

Many things are given;  
Many things are taken away;  
Collect Manna even from leaven;  
You will find each positive day.

Whatever we gain  
Depends on our aspect;  
We'll gain joy, not pain,  
If all we can respect.

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## Eternal Call (Haiku)

The sea gives a call  
To the wind like You call me.  
Endless love indeed!

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# Our Actual Identity

Who am I? Who are you?

Wherefrom do I come?

Which place is this?

Where will I go?

Why do we fight?

For sheer sham fright?

For premeditated position?

What's that? How long will it last?

We are none, we are nobody

But the divided parts

Of the Supreme Soul;

We are the divided bread-loaves.

We will have to go

There where we come from;

We have come here, on this

Transient playhouse to prove,

Prove how we can perform.

We get involved in this

World's illusions, mirages,

That will never last,

That will fade away

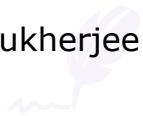
Through the ages.

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# Like A Burning Candle

Like a burning candle,  
Lighting up its surroundings  
To the last flame of fire,  
An artist needs to  
Pour down everything  
To the last lees  
To enlighten the world,  
To inform the people,  
To try to transform them,  
By knocking at the door  
Again and again until  
It gets opened, for  
The repeated knock will  
Wear away every darkness  
To open the world up  
To a lasting light,  
To endless eternity.

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## Lone (Haiku)

The clear sky above;  
The ridge mingles with the sea;  
I'm never more lone.

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## Short Life (Haiku)

Life is short indeed;  
Time is time to fly away;  
We cling to vain feuds.

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# The Obituary (Haiku)

That you are no more  
Turns my sea to commotion;  
A great storm at hand!

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# Cyclic Change

The sun goes down;  
The moon comes up;  
The stars do drown  
In the sun's club.

Rotate and revolve;  
Rotate and revolve;  
Ups and downs involve  
'Rotate and revolve'.

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# To The Blade Of Grass

I learn from you,  
O, blade of grass;  
Trodden are you  
By the mass.

You stay at calm;  
You stay at peace;  
You silently hum,  
'You can't snatch my bliss'.

These are all  
Sublime virtues;  
Your sweet call  
Turns my heart loose.

Stay at calm,  
In utmost peace;  
I, too, hum,  
'I'm in my bliss'.

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# Landscape

All day do the landscape I view;  
Yet they are always ever-new.  
I must know,  
I must know:  
Whenever it does tire,  
Destiny will play dire,  
For the moment we cease  
Loving her, we crease  
Our mentality,  
Full of brutality.  
We must know,  
We must know  
That our time's drawing close;  
Time will not be as it goes.

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# Stillness

Milk and gall!  
Rise and fall!  
Such thoughts do arise;  
Behold the dappled skies.  
Their fluttering sound  
Fills up the mind profound.  
Why is everything so still?  
Will a storm work and fill?  
A rain is in the offing;  
Banish baseless bickering  
By all of us;  
Why feel so harsh?  
What we give is what we gain-  
Joy for joy and pain for pain.

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## Eternal Change (Haiku)

The sun does wane down;  
The milky moon, then, climbed up  
Behind the mountain.

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# In Heaven

The fragrance of the path familiar  
Lit my heart like a chandelier;  
It drew away my plight,  
After my lifelong fight.  
I'm no more the same;  
Life's just a game;  
It's over now.  
I wonder how  
I came over all of it;  
Now only divine tidbit!  
The distressed heart feels divine love;  
Now I'm all worries above.

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# Bleeding Earth (Haiku)

The environment  
Cries today with drops of blood  
For our corruption.

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# The Month Of Pride

No need of shame,  
But right to pride;  
For all, love's not a game;  
It's the month of pride.

I may be a gay;  
I may be a lesbian;  
People have nothing to say  
That I am a plebeian.

We too are human;  
We too have right;  
I too am a clan  
To shine extra-bright.

The continent we complete;  
None can live as an island;  
The social standards might not meet  
Our love and point of stand.

At us, do you frown;  
Still, we'll establish the right;  
Our love we won't drown,  
Though we may not be so trite.

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# Vanquished Corona

Corona's tyranny  
Can't be our destiny.  
We're not afraid  
Of Corona's raid.  
We will live;  
We won't die;  
Corona will leave  
And feel shy.  
How, O, how?  
Tell me how.  
Yes, I will.  
Sure, I will.  
Hold your breath;  
Close your eyes;  
Conquer death;  
Conquer sighs;  
Live we will  
With goodwill.  
Live we must. Live we must;  
Corona will feel aghast  
With our strong mettle;  
Aye! We'll resettle.  
We will defeat  
Corona's fit.  
We're not mundane human;  
We each is a superman.

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# Hold On

Hold on, hold on!  
After such a Marah  
Will come an Elim.  
Hold on, hold on!  
We will sing 'Hurrah'  
After such a scary scream.  
Hold on, hold on!  
Life will give all  
An equal share.  
Hold on, hold on!  
Us He will call,  
But we must dare.

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## Eternal Bliss (Haiku)

Golden 'honeydew'  
Pouring from the twilight sky.  
What bliss eternal!

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## Phoenix (Haiku)

Overpower me;  
Not caring, I will still rise;  
I am a phoenix.

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# Persistence

I burn midnight oil;  
All day do I toil;  
Yet, don't get success;  
Life is full of mess;  
Why such injustice?  
In spite of practice?  
Life is hard and tough;  
We cry, people laugh;  
I trust to succeed;  
Though sometimes I bleed,  
I will not give up,  
To get Fortune's club.

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## Cosmic Order (Haiku)

The sea call'd the wind;  
The wind ruffled; the sea swell'd;  
The cosmic order.

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## No Life (Haiku)

I'm feeling lonely;  
Without You, I don't exist;  
A shadeless shadow.

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# Life, A Hurdle

Like a newborn babe  
Girdled by  
A colony of ants,  
Like a bird in  
A wooden cage,  
Like a prisoner  
In the Bastille,  
Each human life  
Is ensnared with  
A great number  
Of hurdles:  
The path of life  
Is never laden with  
Silk and blossoms.  
If we endeavour indeed,  
We'll attain life's ambrosia.

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# Metamorphosis

The shower of sapless leaves,  
Dancing in the midst of them,  
My deep despair do they cleave;  
I'm never more the same.

Lo! This blade of grass  
Edifies so many things;  
Yonder the golden mass  
Lessons my heart that sings.

We change every day;  
We are born again and again;  
We never decease any day;  
Everything's in a chain.

That I'll never die  
Produces in me bounty and joy;  
When one's soul's uplifted high,  
One sheds off being coy.

Somali Mukherjee

# Was It True?

My heart gnaws me down,  
Shattering my all to the ground.  
Human nature is treacherous,  
Hindering in keeping promises;  
The slogan of 'It's mine'  
Has become the be-all-and-end-all  
At present, resulting in great fall.  
Sadistic snobbery knocks me down;  
I feel wounded; my heart bleeds;  
Was it for this that  
The rapport grew up  
Brick by brick, piece by piece?  
Everything seems a false mockery,  
Whenever people give vent to snobbery.

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# Like A Play

Lo! Yon the moon  
Is a spotlight  
On the Ganges!  
The dark canopy  
Is hung from above  
With millions of diamonds  
Encrusted in it.  
O! Hear the distant desire  
Of the entering and exiting  
Steamers, oscillating like  
A pendulum, on the stage.  
The curtain has been raised  
Long, long ago.  
Someday the curtain will  
Fall down (who knows when)  
When we'll be given  
A chance to purge off  
Our sins, all our sins.

Somali Mukherjee



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# Our Own Endeavour

Without shedding gore,  
Silently adore  
God in mankind;  
Envy turns us blind;  
We lose reason;  
We commit treason;  
We act unkind.

Suppressed fears,  
Depressed tears  
Haunt today's people;  
Life becomes brittle;  
Not heaven above  
But human love  
Can change this world a little.

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# Composed In The Lap Of Nature

Dazzling molten golden glow  
Touches me like pure white snow;  
Crimson cluster, blaster of hue,  
Turns our lives ever-new.  
Human riddle does diddle;  
The cawing crows play on fiddle.  
The sunbeams' toil does recoil;  
The night'll serve as the foil.  
Breathless beauty, divine duty  
Provide all with lots of gaiety.

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# The Teenager's Talk

Will it kill us all, Mum?  
You say, one gets the sum  
Of one's deeds---all of them;  
Now it doesn't seem the same.  
I've just stepped at thirteen;  
Won't I too be spared by COVID-19?  
I wish to meet more people;  
I wish to soar on the ripple  
Of my fantastic land,  
Holding your and Dad's hand.  
Corpses on corpses are getting piled;  
I don't want to be exiled,  
Mum, don't want to be exiled.  
You say, I'll be a big man,  
An honorable and pure man;  
I need to grow up  
With your club.  
Won't this virus let me go?  
Can't I fulfill my dreams and grow?  
Please, don't you cry, Mum;  
I'm ready to get my sum.

Somali Mukherjee

# Corona

Constant Corona-fear  
Sets us all in tears;  
The dirge at us leers;  
O, hear, O, hear,  
The distant cries of me and you;  
It's time to bid adieu, adieu!

We face flood;  
We face drought;  
Time is wrought;  
Tide of blood  
Overflows everywhere in the society;  
Corona, the aftermath of bestial gaiety.

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# Prayer Of A Fallen Individual

I'm forsaken as Atlantis;  
I'm fading away like  
The sun going down;  
I'm deserted as  
An abandoned tragedy;  
I'm lifeless just  
Like a grey shadow;  
I've lost my identity  
In the midst of  
Names numberless.

Lift me up on  
Your shoulders;  
Hold me firm  
With Your hands;  
Keep me fast  
With Your velocity;  
Pacify my soul  
With Your eyes;  
Fill me up  
With Your Divinity.

Somali Mukherjee

# Time To Pretend

When life gets stationary  
Like a mossy stone,  
When time feels like  
A claustrophobic cul-de-sac,  
When people pelt stones at you  
Like a pack of snarling stray-dogs,  
It is felt that we must pretend;  
Aye, it's time to pretend,  
For, being unmasked, you can't  
Survive in the midst of  
An unruly mob of  
Masked people with  
The same visages.  
Hence, all must pretend;  
It's time to pretend.

Somali Mukherjee



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# The Truth

The truth is firm;  
It is always holy;  
It does never harm,  
But, is really  
Too pure  
To be neglected;  
So, get sure  
To be respected,  
By respecting others,  
And loving all as sisters and brothers.

The truth is the power;  
It is inevitable;  
One can't be a coward,  
If one is true and noble.

Try to love all,  
By listening to Nature's call;  
Don't dishearten any,  
Not to receive woe from many  
In your future  
As thousands of preying vultures  
At a stage;  
Get relief from this haze.

You may belong to another world,  
But your fantasy must be true;  
It may not be real in word,  
But must be true, according to you.

Just interrogate yourself whether  
You yourself can be the master  
Of Truth, Meekness and Purity,  
And also Faith, Hope and Charity.

Somali Mukherjee

# Divinity Incarnate

Give a chance to  
The phoenix within  
You. Wake it up;  
Nurture it with care.

Such divine force  
Is incarnate.  
Give it a chance;  
It'll take care of you.

Our frail temple  
Nurtures our phoenix;  
Even though we perish,  
It will immortalise us.

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# A Tribute To William Wordsworth

You attribute poetic beauty  
To humble things of Nature;  
Your ballads always mesmerise me,  
And advise me to love every living creature.

You were the worshipper of Nature,  
Now and then exposing your poetic mood;  
You immersed yourself in the world of literature;  
I regard you from my early childhood.

I admire you inexpressibly;  
To me, you are so dear;  
I know not why you're so talented;  
My esteem for you is really very sheer.

God's created many incredible beauties of Nature;  
You enjoy them to your heart's content;  
I'm nothing but a silly layman;  
O, please, free my soul from this horrid confinement.

This poem's just a small gift,  
From me to you;  
Now, I would like to enjoy  
Our Nature's loveliest view.

Somali Mukherjee

# What Can It Do?

Fame? What can your fame do,  
Unless you be a real human being?  
Name? What can your name do,  
Unless you know how to love  
A helpless, hopeless living being?

Recognition? What can it do,  
Unless you learn true forgiveness?  
Eminence? What can it do,  
Unless you help those,  
Who are struggling against utmost distress?

Have you ever fancied,  
Who has brought you up?  
Have you ever fancied,  
Who has been your life's guide-map?

Performance? What can it do,  
Unless you show your gratitude  
To your benefactor?  
Eligibility? What can it do,  
Unless you perceive any kind of matter?

Career? What can it do,  
Unless you stand beside the destitute?  
Leadership? What can it do,  
If nothing you can retribute?

Optimism? What can it do,  
Unless you be a real optimist?  
Theism? What can it do,  
Unless you be a true theist?

Somali Mukherjee

# Come Back, Grandpa

Then I was a little kiddy,  
When I first learnt to call 'Grandpa', □  
When all the dusks did feel so glad,  
Because you used to take me there  
In the playground, holding my hand,  
My little hand, which always clung  
To you, just who was my shelter,  
Who loved me most in the household;  
In the entire family of five,  
You were my one and only mate.

I grew up in your loving lap,  
You brought me up with your own hands,  
Because I was so fond of you.  
Whenever I was snubbed by others,  
You embraced me to forget pain,  
The utmost pangs born of foul things;  
When I stretched my little arms  
Round your neck always from your back,  
You held me up high in your hands;  
I used to giggle and enjoy.

But now, I feel only anguish,  
Since you have left me all alone,  
On this Earth, so tearful for me;  
I feel gagged to breathe as I weep,  
I feel desperately lonely  
To survive in this state of sobs;  
Come back to me, be here once more,  
Let me, please, once again hug you,  
To call you my 'Grandpa' again,  
Or, take me with you for ever.

None understands me any more,  
None loves me more than you just did;  
I know, I'm a grown up right now,  
Still, just you nurtured me with love,  
With your lots of pure and true love;  
That affection you gifted me

Has gone far away, far away;  
Therefore, come back to me, come back  
Once more, come back, love me again.  
Who else, Grandpa, will wipe my tears?

Somali Mukherjee

# Awakening Of Soul

Aye, sometimes it feels like  
You are hurt by all,  
But never worry,  
And do not tarry,  
To overcome your fall,  
That can be broken like fragile dike.

Just try always,  
To stretch your wings,  
Across the azure sky;  
Gets happy days  
He, who just clings,  
Like a bird to fly.

Do never give up,  
Just prove that you can do also,  
And one day, teasers will clap,  
When the fact they will know.

Go, answer, respond those,  
Who humiliate your soul;  
Mark, when your being goes,  
You will surely approach your goal.

Now allow them to see  
That you are more efficient,  
And that you too can be  
Good and great and self-sufficient.

Somali Mukherjee

# A Rainy Day

Lo! The coconut tree is tossing its head,  
Before the grey background,  
When the soothing clouds  
Are getting mound and mound.

Now, a cool storm  
Is ready to blow;  
I am in my balcony;  
My cup of happiness does flow.

Thereafter, a mild breeze blows,  
And it drizzles,  
And I can hear the thunder roaring,  
When the lightning dazzles.

The window-curtains are dancing  
In great delight,  
As the rain seems comforting,  
From the blistering summer's twilight.

The exam-result is about to come out;  
It is knocking at the door,  
But, in this beautiful Nature of sprouts,  
I am now ready to soar.

The dust gets washed away  
By the heart-contenting rain,  
And the blossoms, and the trees,  
All tidy again.

Somali Mukherjee

# True Friendship

All our relationships are created  
By God since our birth, but, we all  
Can too make something, and that's friendship.  
May our true friendship last forever!  
Let us increase our understandings  
At least hundred times more everyday.  
Let me stand by your side just always.  
Let me love you even more each day.  
Death can't even part us, because we  
Will find each other in Afterlife  
Again. There we'll stay as super best chums  
Again just as we're here on this Earth.  
So, why do you shed tears, my sweet mate?  
Always trust, always know, we'll stay one  
Forever, for always, all the days.  
Yes, I know, just like me, you also  
Feel the same oneness when you breathe in -  
We both are tied together with  
One another with our true emotions.  
Therefore, cute comrade, let's always stay  
Inseparable just as we're now,  
As, we two are meant for each other  
And will remain the same forever.  
May our true friendship stay forever!

Somali Mukherjee

# The Essence Of Life

The azure canopy hung from above  
Whispers into our ears of Divine Love.  
How is it that all birds feel free,  
When we, the humans, try to flee?  
What is wrong, what is right,  
Can't be gained when we fight;  
If we learn from each trifle,  
None can ever do us baffle,  
For none is born perfect;  
We all function like an insect,  
As vile grips us in its fire,  
Rendering us with ill desire.  
If we wish, we may learn;  
From each naïve thing, we may earn  
Wisdom rather than mere knowledge;  
Without making a quest for privilege,  
O Lord, can't we have divine wings?  
One gains success when one clings  
To one's principle and aim.  
With the birds, let's be the same,  
And one, and identical,  
But never detrimental.  
We were born, we will die;  
One day in dust we will lie.  
What is mortal, what is not?  
One day all'll be brought to naught.  
Over-usage of eternity's too tedious;  
Hence, look up and be melodious  
In life rather than sapless.  
Nothing is hopeful, nothing is hapless -  
Let's all be in divine mirth;  
Death's not too far away from birth.

Somali Mukherjee

# The Juvenile Days

I truly get dumbfounded  
To look back at the days I had once,  
And to get them back again,  
I will not be given any chance.

I do not burst into remorse,  
Knowing this outrageous fact well;  
If my soul tries to force,  
It would simply fail.

First, to a nursery school,  
Then to a kinder-garten one;  
Now, I just can't mull  
How they all are gone.

Whenever I take an expedition  
Down my memory lane,  
I do not receive anything  
But lots of pain.

I become astonished to think  
How great those juvenile days were;  
But, all went away in a wink,  
Forever, forever, forever...

Many hands in a tiffin-box,  
Many children at a play,  
Always ready for others to coax,  
To be ever-happy, ever-gay.

Am I having a perfect time?  
Does everything happen for good?  
Now, I yearn to get back to  
The days of my childhood.

Somali Mukherjee

# The Sunrise

Lo! Behind the hills afar,  
The wonderful Sun is rising at dawn;  
Each time it gives a new life to the Earth,  
And always grows green grasses on the lawn.

One will just be captivated by the beauty of the Sunrise,  
Then the whole sky will seem to one as the Paradise,  
And the moist clouds sparkling with the dazzling sunlight,  
Float in the golden sky creating an incredible sight.

There are so many heart-gratifying beauties of Nature,  
But, perchance, amongst all, the Sunrise is the best;  
No wonder, it is a genuine gift from God  
To us, that is the choicest.

Somali Mukherjee



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# Divine Bliss

It would have been even more splendid,  
If a fountain had started to flow,  
Through the titanic mountains afar,  
Wrapped up with pure, white snow.

Behind the visages of the mountains,  
I can behold with ease the blue sky,  
So beautiful, so magnificent that it can  
Turn my soul into a bird to fly.

Its reflection will sparkle,  
And splutter the fountain's water,  
With sunbeams falling on it,  
And, about the beauty, will secretly mutter.

Lo! The lovely scarlet blossoms  
Of the yon rhododendron trees;  
O, come, listen to the sweet melody  
Of the humming bees.

Such a majestic beauty always  
Provides such divine bliss  
To everyone, to receive Nature's reply,  
Which is actually always ready to please.

Somali Mukherjee

# A Patriotic Song

We are honest, and we are bold,  
We will fight, as, we're never old.  
We will march, establish our right;  
For us, the Sun will shine more bright.

We need no siren, no bugle  
From our opponent enemies,  
As, none ever can us heckle,  
As, none ever can make us cease.

O, come on, reunite once more,  
Let us redeem our own country;  
Never forget what our land bore  
Once; but now only liberty.

Get up, wake up, you all, you all,  
Listen to our Country's sweet call.  
Let us battle for the freedom;  
Mark, never must we feel tiresome.

Mind it that we are who we are:  
We're not forgiving for ever;  
As, lenience became feeble,  
We'll never any more fumble.

Once we were indeed merciful,  
But now, we've become malignant;  
To our land, we are dutiful  
With love, just to fight hand in hand.

Fire us more, but we'll never die,  
One blood-drop'll be the breeding ground  
Of crores of troops, making you sigh,  
Our foes, as you're just full of sound.

Let our blood seethe, let us all bleed,  
Still, we'll not leave our holy creed.  
We'll rescue her with patriotism,  
Resulting in all optimism.



# Gifts

Human life relies upon  
Our beholding it:  
To stay like a stone,  
Or to relish its beat.

It fosters its own music,  
It possesses its own hue,  
Depending on the trade's trick;  
Learn how to live true.

If we've transparent minds,  
Other things too will be so;  
To sever the complex binds,  
At first, let's have a go.

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Everything gifts us a lesson;  
These gifts are priceless;  
We all should them beckon,  
Though, they may seem heartless.

Somali Mukherjee

# My Little Sister's Naughty Pranks

At first jumping in the lumpy bed,  
Then tickling Grandpa pretty often  
To wake him up each and every morn,  
She commences her naughty sojourn  
Of the day, making almost insane  
The entire family from toe to head.

Then it is just Granny's turn, of course,  
When she's sleeping with her open mouth,  
Where the girl puts some sugar and salt,  
When Granny in fear just says, 'Halt! Halt!  
How can you each day be so uncouth?  
Do you never have any remorse? '

But, the little kid squeezes her nose,  
And leaping down, escapes at a glance,  
When that elder has nothing to do.  
Meanwhile, Mamma gets up to give true  
Affection and find a perfect chance  
To make her study, sometimes with force,

Sometimes with love, when she brings her dolls  
Instead of books, because she hates school,  
When she pulls her sister's hair, to try  
To seek refuge in her quilt, and cry  
Just not to read; she does not befool,  
However, with her sentiments, false.

Returning home from his morning walk,  
Daddy gets ready for his office, just  
When she finds some cuddle from his heart.  
However, she never tries to hurt  
Any at all, though, all just stay aghast  
Just when with Mom, schoolwards does she stalk.

Then all heave a deep sigh of relief,  
Definitely, for the time being,  
Until she invades again after  
The hours in her school, when the elder

Sister performs her duties, seeing  
The younger is the household's belief.

Somali Mukherjee

# Nature's Pinnacle

Thin shreds of white clouds  
Are floating in the blue sky  
Above the snowy mountains  
Which are erected so high.

Underneath the natural monuments,  
There is a vale so profound,  
With lots of beauty and menace,  
Which are always mound.

By the side of the valley,  
I can find so many verdant fellows;  
Enchanting, mesmerizing me,  
As if the dale always hallows.

I can feel the snowy flakes  
Falling downwards in my lap;  
But as there is no blizzard,  
There is no mishap.

And when the radiant beams fall,  
On the snow from the Sun's holy face,  
The entire calm atmosphere  
Takes a golden grace.

Where can we find such a beauty?  
Unless we try to fancy,  
To approach Nature's pinnacle?  
And behold the entire world,  
That is always a miracle?

Somali Mukherjee

# Green Atmosphere

Thousands of green leaves  
Are touching the sunny sky;  
Shall I never come to know  
How they do so and why?

Pleasant weather and greeneries;  
Lo! What a marvelous sight!  
The verdant fellows are trying  
To approach the dazzling sunlight.

They grow taller so rapidly,  
As if they are real contestants,  
Creating a novelty so majestically  
Among us, that is greatly pleasant.

They get mature so hastily,  
That they would kiss their mother, the sky;  
And, so, they nod their heads gladly,  
To climb up more and more high.

The young ones get overshadowed  
By their tall siblings;  
But they utter, 'He'll see you;  
Later we'll be the queens and kings'.

Who can not get lost,  
In such a green atmosphere,  
To enjoy Nature's beauty, and  
The sweet melody to hear?

Somali Mukherjee

# Glass

Last night, I came to know  
From my father's age-old experience  
That every human life is like a glass:  
Full of uncountable scratches at close sight,  
Though, from a distance, each looks even to all.  
It is not our fault, as we don't  
Have proximity enough which makes us find  
Others' so good to know  
And imagine with perpetual sense  
Of warmth, love---to smoothly run and then pass  
The barricade with utmost will and might.  
At first, they, too, were humble and ordinary like us,  
Whose lives we never think to be arduous like ours,  
That takes so much agony, struggle and strength.  
Yes, I mean the celebrities,  
Whose lives are originally full of painful sojourns,  
Which we just can't see from afar;  
So, though those lives appear to be full of comfort,  
They are not so....  
They just go on  
With lots of hardships, to be one day cool  
To us, always, for ever -  
And each of those lives just warns  
Never to weep, nor to be full of subdued sobs,  
But always to perform all our duties,  
To persevere and not to yield to hurdles;  
To glow with the brilliance of glass.

Somali Mukherjee

# To My Dear Helen

You began to write the history of your life  
With a kind of fear;  
I know not why you are so great;  
O, Helen, to me, you are so dear.

You're talented, you're esteemed;  
How enchanting your fantasy is!  
Your voice is always buzzing in my heart,  
Just like the honey-seeker bees.

You are fantastic, you are the greatest;  
I look upon you as my buddy;  
You're as broad-minded as Mount Everest;  
You're cleaning my spirit which was muddy.

Whenever I feel frustrated,  
Your story stimulates me;  
O, pal, I really love you heartily;  
In my melancholy moments, you provide me with glee.

You foment me with new vigor,  
When my life is a smilax;  
You counsel me to practice with great rigor;  
You help me reach the climax.

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