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"Am I humid because I am from Singapore?" I asked. You told me I was like equatorial sunshine, happy then sad and sometimes both at the same time. You said I was a lovely confusion, a girl surrendered to the sweet madness of shifting moods. You thought it was sensible to abandon the fight to be happy all the time.

After all who can bring the sunshine and who can send away the rain? They come when they wish and leave as they will. I flow in lightness and storm, to wetness and warmth, I delight in the fullness of Life. I am your cloudy-eyed, smiling, strange and unpredictable weather—a terrifying natural wonder.

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#### UNOFFICIAL

Our relationship right now consists Of me wondering If it exists Give us a label Give me some pride If our love is for real Then why do you hide?

Forgive my impatience I must make a fuss What [insert name] What should we call us?

## BETTER WITH AGE



The wine of years Has doused the hue That once had set their face aflame But see the poetry In Dad's weary eyes Mum's sober smile Their charm grows Line by line.

#### TONGUE TIED

A captured heart does not speak smoothly It mumbles stutters and spits So when you whisper words of Eternity and glitz I know you don't really Love me to bits.

#### LIFELINE

On a warm windy evening,

A girl sat down next to the bearded hippie on the park bench. "My life is a straight line," she said, and drew this on the mud:



He didn't even look at her, Continued to dig the dirt out of his yellow nails.

"It's stable, safe, sometimes a Disturbing equilibrium." "You know, quite like my Uncle's heart rate on the monitor Before the final beep."

And the young man Exhausted from the ups and downs The madness and delirium of the road Looked at her and laughed As he drew:

Higher Highs and Lower  $\checkmark$ Lows they have made for an intense Life.

But sweet girl how sometimes I envy you your rest.