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"April is the cruellest month, breeding

Lilacs out of the dead land, mixing

Memory and desire, stirring

Dull roots with spring rain." -- by T.S. Eliot, The Waste Land, Poetry Foundation

I, the lily,

Blossoming bathed

In lunar light.

Sisters from Egypt,	
United by the Sun God Ra.	
She is a crystal	
That shines brightly in the dark	
A sapphire, or lapis lazuli,	
Blinding everyone with her fire.	
She is Taylor Swift	
	(Katniss Everdene)
Mesmerising girls,	
With protagonist power.	
Objects are imbued with power	
Remember when the feather got stuck in my hair?	
A haiku or an epic	
Achilles will still fall;	
Just like Lao Tzu,	
In a war that no one can win.	
Fighting with words	
	Do you feel the blood spurt?
As we rage against brother,	
Shooting our neighbours	
With a borrowed gun.	
Am I Sylvia Plath	

Poet Laureate	
	Author?
Who is Rupert Cambell-Black?	
The typical Englishman,	
Riding furiously on a horse,	
To rescue the damsel	
Who hates him.	
Novels are both escape and truth:	
They make you see the wicked	
Woman, as the	
Mother you never had.	
Oh, how we hate Freud.	
Look at how the past sticks to my bones,	
Torn from the flesh.	
Our relationship	
Has flowered.	
	(Hers has ended.)
You are the light,	
The sun,	
The moon,	
And the stars.	
Cats writing unicorns;	
Mother equals	

Death.
Rage, rage,
Against the light!
We won't go down
Without
A fight.
Friends are like diamonds
In the rough
But sisters are precious jewels
Lapis lazuli
Set in rose gold
The heaviest element is
A rock that won't budge
Al reiji
Sister BFF
a little younger
But no less
For that.



For the loves of my life, Jessica Marie and Simon James Morton.