

# The Hollow Men

## The nursery Rhyme

Malberry bush replaced by  
prickly ~~pear~~ pear.

↳ Malberry bush

↳ symbol of fertility

↳ Prickly Pear

↳ Phallic symbol

↳ At 5 am ← Jesus resurrection

↳ When ~~God~~ returned

↳ Hopeless men miss it because  
they are doing pointless things

## The Call and Response

takes the form of a Catholic  
Call and response.

Parallelism

Satires and parodies  
the religious desire

## Existence and Essence ← Philosophy

"life is very long" allusion to "An Outcast  
of the Islands"

↳ Man is punished by not being allowed  
to die

## Biblical Allusions in Part IV allusion to book of ezekiel

Heart of Darkness - by Joseph Conrad

↳ Constantly referenced by Elliot.

~~to~~ ← Marlowe

↳ Protagonist sent looking for Kurtz

↳ "Mr Kurtz he dead" ← epigraph

↳ Stopped sending ivory down the river.

↳ Kurtz dies of sickness "with a whimper" instead of the "Bang" that his grandeur would require.

↳ At central station

↳ Men doing basically nothing - just enough to make a living

↳ Make no decisions and achieve nothing → Hollow men

~~to~~ ~~to~~

↳ Refer to as the company men.

## The Triumph of the Cynical in Part V

↳ employs italics and typographical alignment to establish third voice.

voice of the hollow men



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## Fractured Syntax

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For Thine is

Lif is

For Thine is the"

Breaking down  
fragmenting

↳ Truncated Sentences

"This is the way the world ends

x 3

Not with a bang but with a whimper"