How sweet how sweet is the groan which comes out of the ruins.

I am a witness to the crushing of a world out of date
I am a witness drunkenly to the stampingout of the bourgeois
Was there ever a finer chase than the chase we give
to that vermin which flattens itself in every nook of the cities
I sing the violent domination of the bourgeoisie by the proletariat
for the annihilation of the bourgeoisie
for the total annihilation of that bourgeoisie

The fairest monument which can be erected the most astonishing of all statues the finest and most audacious column the arch which is like the very prism of the rain are not worth the splendid and chaotic heap which is easily produced with a church and some dynamite Try it and see

The pickaxe makes a hole in the heart of ancient docilities crumblings are songs wherein suns revolve

Men and walls of yesterday fall struck with the same thunder bolt
The bursting of gunfire adds to the landscape
a hitherto unknown gaiety
Those are engineers, doctors that are being executed
Death to those who endanger the conquest of October
Death to the traitors to the Fiveyearplan

To you Young Communists
Sweep out the human debris where lingers
the magical spider of the sign of the cross
Volunteers for socialist construction
Chase the old days before you like a dangerous dog

Stand up against your mothers
Abandon night pestilence and the family
You hold in your hands a laughing child
a child such as has never been seen
He knows before he can talk all the songs of the new life
He will get away from you to run he laughs already
the stars descend familiarly upon the earth
it's indeed the least which they burn in assuming
the black carrion of the egoists

The flowers of cement and of stone the long creepers of iron the blue ribbons of steel have never dreamed of such a spring