

Reception Bells

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Press “q” to load the samples.

Read the text silently following the other performer. Press key “1” when you come across a red letter and “2” if the letter is yellow. Blue letters will be played by the other performer.

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The world gives you itself in fragments/in
splinters

in 1 melancholy fa(a)ce you glimpse 1
brushstroke b(y)y Dürer

in someone happy the grimace of 1
amateur clown

in 1 tree: the trembling of birds sucking
from its crook

in 1 fla(a)ming summer you catch bits of
the u(u)niverse licking its fa(a)ce

the moment 1 indescri(i)bable girl
rips her Oaxacan blouse

just at the crescent of sweat from her
armpits

& beyond the ri(i)nd is the pulp/& li(i)ke 1
stra(a)nge gift of the eye
the lash

Ma(a)ybe not even Carbon 14 will be able
to reconstruct the true facts

The days are gone when 1 naturalist
painter

could rumina(a)te over the excesses of
lunch

between movements of Swedish
gymnastics

Read the text silently following the other performer. Press key “7” when you come across a red letter, “8” for a yellow letter and “9” if the letter is green. Blue letters will be played by the other performer.

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