

A tolerance to emotion

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Used to laugh at Things

In videos, at jokes, with friends

But laughs reply echoes

Shadows, memories

Echoes petering out

I should laugh

I do, but shouldn't

I couldn't

Laughter comes harder to me

No giggles, guffaws, peals of laughter

Wrench out my *skin*

Just barks, scoffs, a snort

All the effort I put in

to retort

I love heartfelt stories

Feeling the heart

A lance sprouting

A spike

A thorn

Not so heartfelt anymore

No tug, thrum, pang, pluck

At heartstrings

The musician's harp

Doesn't play anymore

Heartstrings atrophied

Harpstrings worn

Terrible

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