



POETRY

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Liberate Me

Daybreak brings no light,
Night falls heavily in this valley.
Echoes of bullets fill the air,
The streets are painted red with blood.
I long for the earth to reveal a path
For these unspoken pleas to mend
The broken color of our sky.
I wish the gunfire would cease,
Its thunder silenced at last.

They say when the squirrel cries,
Its scent lingers forever.
I wish this city could be renewed,
That freedom would find us here.
I fear my mother's lullabies will soon
Fade into memories etched on walls.

Author's Note



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