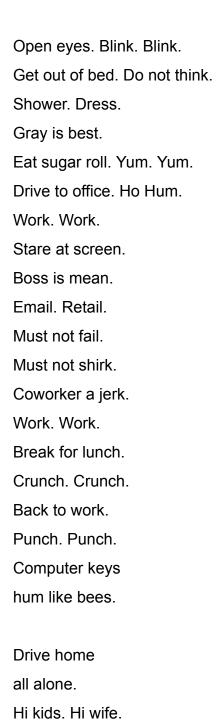
## Modern life



Kiss. Kiss.

Fine. Fine.

Dinner time.

Eat food. Every crumb.

Watch TV. Dumb. Dumb.

Watch news. Numb. Numb.

Cry. Cry.

Black sky.

To bed. Snore. Snore.

Next day like day before.

## News

Old news, new news,

Bad news, good news,

Daily news, nightly news,

24/7 news, breaking news,

Local news, national news, world news,

Fake news, for heaven's sake news,

It's not too late news.

Bull news, bear news,

Stock market news, out-of-stock news

Crude oil news, outdated-gold-plated news,

None-of-your-business-going-out-of-business news,

Hard news, soft news, who knew news,

Makeover news, takeover news, drug-over-dose news,

Medicine news, science news, sports news,

Apple pie-in-the-sky news,

By the seat of your pants news,

Depressing news, shocking news, terrible news,

All the news that's fit to print news,

News from the frontline news, hook-line-and-sinker news,

A jury of your peers news,

Give me your tired, your poor huddled masses yearning to be free news,

Pink news, green news, blue news, even some yellow news,

Little boxes on the hillside full of ticky-tacky news,

Entertainment news, election news,

Newspaper news, magazine news, television news, cable news,

Can't-wrap-your-head-around-it news,

News deadline-in-the-sand news,

New nuclear tension news.

Melting glacier news,

Passenger pigeon news,

Space is the final frontier news,

Government of the news, by the news, and for the news,

Shall not perish from the earth news

No news

Is good news.

## When i die

when i die
i want to purify
in boundless sky

with pleated clouds my white shroud

in endless blue i renew

take flight
blaze in sunbright
sacred light

shimmer into a star far beyond far

high above high goodbye goodbye

merge with grace and leave no trace

## rain jade fire

il scream in dream each night take flight each day i pray enough's enough i think i shrink turn tough get lean get mean eat lead play dead dig a hole whack a mole

run away
leave your pay
grieve your mind
black and blind
sky is rain
thoughts drain
no pain

no gain

birds call

branches fall

forest ground

no sound

rainbows fade

sky is jade

clouds drift

worlds shift

trees know

grow slow

swim low

undertow

undertaker

peacemaker

higher higher

sky is fire

my past

too fast

tick tock

future shock

die is cast

die at last

holy cow

all is now