

ALTERNATIVE and other poems

ALTERNATIVE

I'm reading subtitles
On an indie film
Brushing my fingers through your hair
Cheeks hot as a kiln
And you bite your lip
And I lean in for a kiss
But you stop me
And I fade back into the abyss
Love will kill you
Maybe not all at once
But it will fill you
Like poison in your veins
"Be still you"
"I love you" is a goodbye
And I feel all alone in an alley
With ripped tights
I take pills too
They're my very best friends
Orange, blue white
Off topic again

Love will steal you
I always believed it
But love won't heal you
I hate you
I conceal you
The way you concealed me
And seal you
The way you sealed me in my grave
After I caved
And gave
You behaved
Grateful
Hand painted dates
Fateful
Only fake
And I'm shattered

Not that it matters
I'm tattered
Realign my spine
And I'll be fine
Collide
Fingers to chest
And I am waiting
I can't deal with subtext
Staring at the letter
The key I never can press

SOFT

I am a secret

I am poetry

I am a regret

Mosquitos in the summer

I flinch at the bites

I enjoy taking numbers

I enjoy friends

I enjoy

Until it ends

Sour watermelon

Pale light

Something isn't right

I didn't know

You know?

Just pathetic

And a ghost

My sister worries

I isolate

She doesn't get it

The music is in me

I just sometimes have to cut it out

The dark is creative

And should be celebrated

I hold my own hand

Chatter for hours on end

Grieving and flying

My two bookends

HORROR

My scalp burns with the bleach
I have recurring dreams of teeth
Things are so backwards
Haven't left my bed all week
I became a horror movie
Jump scares and floor creaks
I dreamed of being equal
The most unrealistic thing indeed

I belong to the mountains
In Slovakia
I'm terrifying
But I still need love
They chase me
Chase me into drugs

It's never enough

Ls

I didn't want to cut my hair
It is my power
But they insisted
And now I cower
I'm trashed
Then I'm clean
No half measures
No in between
Kiss me
While blackberry juice
Drips down
Your chin
I said I'd bash my skull in
Before I fall in love again
Still you win

LIGHT AND DARK

Today I am sinking into the earth below
Covered in dirt
Don't beseech me
Turn me into dessert
We sip scotch
Scribble on each other in sharpies
And you say if you hit me with your car
I'll get some windshield time

As in if you mean it
I'll know
I catch you
Staring at my throat
You're the g.o.a.t.