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SECTION A

Post-2000 Specified Poetry

Stillwater Cove

GLOSSARY

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It seemed a furtive magic—
sun ricocheting off cresting waves near
Stillwater Cove, the soft rock cliffs

of sandstone and clay, the wind-tilted
cypress trees leaning toward
the blue Pacific—and it was only you

who'd see them. A migrating pod
of gray whales going northward, new
calves in tow, shooting a spray of frothy

expelled water from their blowholes
and making a show of breaching
in the clear spring air off the coastline.

We'd whine that we never
caught a glimpse of a slick back or tail slap,
nary a spy-hopping head raised

above the swirling surface. Too young
to look outward for long, we'd lower
our eyes toward what lived small,

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Stillwater Cove continued.

the alligator lizard in the coyote brush,
the bracken fern, orange monkey
flower, the beach fly, the earwig, the tick.

It was your trick, always a whale
as soon as our heads went down. Had
to have been a lie: they'd come up

while we zeroed in on Mexican sage
or the monarch. Distracted
by the evidence of life at our feet,

we had no time for the waiting
that was required. To watch
the waves until the whales surfaced

seemed a maddening task. Now, I am
in the inland air that smells of smoke
and gasoline, the trees blown leafless by

wind. Could you refuse me if I asked you
to point again at the horizon, to tell me
something was worth waiting for?

Ada Limón

Out of the Bag

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All of us came in Doctor Kerlin's bag.
He'd arrive with it, disappear to the room
And by the time he'd reappear to wash

Those nosy, rosy, big, soft hands of his
In the scullery basin, its lined insides
(The colour of a spaniel's inside lug)

Were empty for all to see, the trap-sprung mouth
Unsnibbed and gaping wide. Then like a hypnotist
Unwinding us, he'd wind the instruments

Back into their lining, tie the cloth
Like an apron round itself,
Darken the door and leave

With the bag in his hand, a plump ark by the keel...
Until the next time came and in he'd come
In his fur-lined collar that was also spaniel-coloured

And go stooping up to the room again, a whiff
Of disinfectant, a Dutch interior gleam
Of waistcoat satin and highlights on the forceps.

Getting the water ready, that was next –
Not plumping hot, and not lukewarm, but soft,
Sud-luscious, saved for him from the rain-butt

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Out of the Bag continued.

**And savoured by him afterwards, all thanks
Denied as he towelled hard and fast,
Then held his arms out suddenly behind him**

**To be squired and silk-lined into the camel coat.
At which point he once turned his eyes upon me,
Hyperborean, beyond-the-north-wind blue,**

**Two peepholes to the locked room I saw into
Every time his name was mentioned, skimmed
Milk and ice, swabbed porcelain, the white**

**And chill of tiles, steel hooks, chrome surgery tools
And blood dreeps in the sawdust where it thickened
At the foot of each cold wall. And overhead**

**The little, pendent, teat-hued infant parts
Strung neatly from a line up near the ceiling –
A toe, a foot and shin, an arm, a cock**

A bit like the rosebud in his buttonhole.

2

**Poeta doctus Peter Levi says
Sanctuaries of Asclepius (called asclepions)
Were the equivalent of hospitals**

**In ancient Greece. Or of shrines like Lourdes,
Says poeta doctus Graves. Or of the cure
By poetry that cannot be coerced,**

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Out of the Bag continued.

**Say I, who realized at Epidaurus
That the whole place was a sanatorium
With theatre and gymnasium and baths,

A site of incubation, where 'incubation'
Was technical and ritual, meaning sleep
When epiphany occurred and you met the god...**

**Hatless, groggy, shadowing myself
As the thurifer I was in an open-air procession
In Lourdes in '56**

**When I nearly fainted from the heat and fumes,
Again I nearly fainted as I bent
To pull a bunch of grass and hallucinated**

**Doctor Kerlin at the steamed-up glass
Of the scullery window, starting in to draw
With his large pink index finger dot-faced men**

**With button-spots in a straight line down their fronts
And women with dot breasts, giving them all
A set of droopy sausage-arms and legs**

**That soon began to run. And then as he dipped and laved
In the generous suds again, **miraculum:**
The baby bits all came together swimming**

**Into his soapy big hygienic hands
And I myself came to, blinded with sweat,
Blinking and shaky in the windless light.**

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Out of the Bag continued.

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**Bits of the grass I pulled I posted off
To one going into chemotherapy
And one who had come through. I didn't want**

**To leave the place or link up with the others.
It was midday, mid-May, pre-tourist sunlight
In the precincts of the god,**

**The very site of the temple of Asclepius.
I wanted nothing more than to lie down
Under hogweed, under seeded grass**

**And to be visited in the very eye of the day
By Hygeia, his daughter, her name still clarifying
The haven of light she was, the undarkening door.**

4

**The room I came from and the rest of us all came from
Stays pure reality where I stand alone,
Standing the passage of time, and she's asleep**

**In sheets put on for the doctor, wedding presents
That showed up again and again, bridal
And usual and useful at births and deaths.**

**Me at the bedside, incubating for real,
Peering, appearing to her as she closes
And opens her eyes, then lapses back**

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Out of the Bag continued.

**Into a faraway smile whose precinct of vision
I would enter every time, to assist and be asked
In that hoarsened whisper of triumph,**

**‘And what do you think
Of the new wee baby the doctor brought for us all
When I was asleep?’**

From the Journal of a Disappointed Man

I discovered these men driving a new pile into the pier. There was all the paraphernalia of chains, pulleys, cranes, ropes and, as I said, a wooden pile, a massive affair, swinging

over the water on a long wire hawser.

Everything else was in the massive style as well, even the men; very powerful men; very ruminative and silent men ignoring me.

Speech was not something to interest them, and if they talked at all it was like this –

‘Let go’, or ‘Hold tight’: all monosyllables.

Nevertheless, by paying close attention

to the obscure movements of one working on a ladder by the water’s edge, I could tell that for all their strength and experience these men were up against a great difficulty.

I cannot say what. Every one of the monsters was silent on the subject – baffled I thought at first, but then I realised indifferent and tired, so tired of the whole business.

The man nearest to me, still saying nothing but crossing his strong arms over his chest, showed me that for all he cared the pile could go on swinging until the crack of Doom.

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From the Journal of a Disappointed Man continued.

I should say I watched them at least an hour and, to do the men justice, their slow efforts to overcome the secret problem did continue – then gradually slackened and finally ceased.

One massive man after another abandoned his position and leaned on the iron rail to gaze down like a mystic into the water. No one spoke; no one said what they saw;

though one fellow did spit, and with round eyes followed the trajectory of his brown bolus (he had been chewing tobacco) on its slow descent into the same depths.

The foreman, and the most original thinker, smoked a cigarette to relieve the tension. Afterwards, and with a heavy kind of majesty, he turned on his heel and walked away.

With this eclipse of interest, the incident was suddenly closed. First in ones and twos, then altogether, the men followed. That left the pile still in mid-air, and me of course.

Post-2000 Specified Poetry

Poems of the Decade: An anthology of the Forward books of poetry 2002–2011 (Faber & Faber, 2015) ISBN 978-0571325405 / ISBN 978-0571281732			
Poem title	Poet	Pages	
		New Edition	Old Edition
Eat Me	Patience Agbabi	3	13
Chainsaw Versus the Pampas Grass	Simon Armitage	6	16
Material	Ros Barber	10	20
History	John Burnside	25	35
An Easy Passage	Julia Copus	37	47
The Deliverer	Tishani Doshi	43	53
The Lammas Hireling	Ian Duhig	51	61
To My Nine-Year-Old Self	Helen Dunmore	52	62
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		New Edition	Old Edition
Giuseppe	Roderick Ford	66	76
Out of the Bag	Seamus Heaney	81	91
Effects	Alan Jenkins	92	102
Genetics	Sinéad Morrissey	125	135
From the Journal of a Disappointed Man	Andrew Motion	127	137
Look We Have Coming to Dover!	Daljit Nagra	129	139
Please Hold	Ciaran O'Driscoll	132	142
On Her Blindness	Adam Thorpe	170	180
Ode on a Grayson Perry Urn	Tim Turnbull	172	182

SECTION B

Specified Poetry Pre- or Post-1900

Pre-1900 – The Medieval Period

Medieval Poetic Drama: answer question 3 or 4

Everyman and Medieval Miracle Plays, editor A C Cawley (Everyman, 1993) ISBN 9780460872805		
Poem title	Poet	Page number
Noah's Flood (Chester)	Anon	33
The Second Shepherds' Pageant (Wakefield)		75
The Crucifixion (York)		137

English Mystery Plays: A Selection, editor Peter Happé (Penguin Classics, 1975) ISBN 9780140430936		
Poem title	Poet	Page number
Noah (Chester)	Anon	118
The Second Shepherds' Play		265
The Crucifixion		525

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Medieval Poet – Geoffrey Chaucer: answer question 5 or question 6

The Wife of Bath's Prologue and Tale, editor James Winny (Cambridge, 2016) ISBN 9781316615607		
Poem title	Poet	Page number
The Wife of Bath's Prologue	Geoffrey Chaucer	38
The Wife of Bath's Tale		64

Pre-1900 – Metaphysical Poetry

The Metaphysical Poets: answer question 7 or 8

Metaphysical Poetry, editor Colin Burrow (Penguin, 2006) ISBN 9780140424447		
Poem title	Poet	Page number
The Flea	John Donne	4
The Good Morrow		5
Song ('Go and catch a falling star')		6
Woman's Constancy		7
The Sun Rising		8
A Valediction of Weeping		19
A Nocturnal Upon St Lucy's Day, Being the Shortest Day		21
The Apparition		22
Elegy: To his Mistress Going to Bed		29
'At the Round Earth's Imagined Corners'		31
'Death be not Proud'		32
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Metaphysical Poetry, editor Colin Burrow (Penguin, 2006) ISBN 9780140424447		
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Redemption	George Herbert	67
The Collar		78
The Pulley		79
Love III		87
To My Mistress Sitting by a River's Side: An Eddy	Thomas Carew	89
To a Lady that Desired I Would Love Her		95
A Song ('Ask me no more where Jove bestows')		98
A Letter to her Husband, Absent upon Public Engagement	Anne Bradstreet	135
Song: To Lucasta, Going to the Wars	Richard Lovelace	182
The Nymph Complaining for the Death of her Fawn	Andrew Marvell	195
To His Coy Mistress		198
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To My Excellent Lucasia, on Our Friendship	Katherine Philips	240
A Dialogue of Friendship Multiplied		241
Orinda to Lucasia		242

Metaphysical Poet – John Donne: answer question 9 or 10

John Donne Selected Poems (Penguin Classics, 2006) ISBN 9780140424409		
Poem title	Poet	Page number
The Good Morrow	John Donne	3
Song ('Go and catch a falling star')		3
Woman's Constancy		4
The Sun Rising		6
The Canonization		9
Song ('Sweetest love I do not go')		12
Air and Angels		15
The Anniversary		17
Twickenham Garden		20
Love's Growth		24
A Valediction of Weeping		28
Love's Alchemy		29
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John Donne Selected Poems (Penguin Classics, 2006) ISBN 9780140424409		
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The Ecstasy		39
The Funeral		45
The Relic		48
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Holy Sonnet I ('Thou hast made me')		177
Holy Sonnet V ('I am a little world')		179
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Hymn to God my God, in my Sickness		195
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Pre-1900 – The Romantic Period

The Romantics: answer question 11 or 12

English Romantic Verse, editor David Wright (Penguin Classics, 1973) ISBN 9780140421026		
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Songs of Innocence: Holy Thursday	William Blake	69
Songs of Experience: Holy Thursday		73
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Ode on a Grecian Urn		279
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Romantic Poet – John Keats: answer question 13 or 14

Selected Poems: John Keats, editor John Barnard (Penguin Classics, 2007) ISBN 9780140424478		
Poem title	Poet	Page number
‘O Solitude! if I must with thee dwell’	John Keats	5
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On the Sea		35
‘In drear-nighted December’		97
On Sitting Down to Read King Lear Once Again		99
‘When I have fears that I may cease to be’		100
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Pre-1900 – The Victorian Period

The Victorians: answer question 15 or 16

The New Oxford Book of Victorian Verse, editor Christopher Ricks (OUP, 2008) ISBN 9780199556311		
Poem title	Poet	Page number
From In Memoriam: VII ‘Dark house, by which once more I stand’	Alfred Tennyson	23
From In Memoriam: XCV ‘By night we linger’d on the lawn’		28
From Maud: I xi ‘O let the solid ground’		37
From Maud: I xviii ‘I have led her home, my love, my only friend’		38
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Victorian Poet – Christina Rossetti: answer question 17 or 18

Christina Rossetti Selected Poems, editor Dinah Roe (Penguin, 2008) ISBN 9780140424690		
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Christina Rossetti Selected Poems, editor Dinah Roe (Penguin, 2008) ISBN 9780140424690		
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The Great Modern Poets, editor Michael Schmidt (Quercus, 2014) ISBN 9781848668669		
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T S Eliot: Selected Poems (Faber, 2009) ISBN 9780571247059		
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The Oxford Book of Twentieth Century English Verse, editor Philip Larkin with foreword by A Motion (OUP, 1973) ISBN 9780198121374		
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Philip Larkin: The Less Deceived (Faber, 2011) ISBN 9780571260126		
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Philip Larkin: The Less Deceived (Faber, 2011) ISBN 9780571260126		
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