

## Poetry

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As a child,  
I looked forward to the next few days  
After catching a cold  
Since they signified the passing  
Of my aching sore throat  
That made it difficult  
To swallow milk chocolates

Now,  
I fear the next few days  
As my body rapidly degenerates  
And although I spread my hands  
To catch the sand grains from the hourglass  
I slowly lose my ability to swallow  
With each slipped grain

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