

The Caged Bird

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O Caged bird!
The Cage is your world.
Thou art bird of free sky
And fly without shy.
Prefer freedom
To remain in free kingdom.
The cage is your prison
Thou art kept without reason.
This is an act of confusion
And a kind of treason.
No one should take this decision
Without judging through internal vision.
O Caged bird!
The cage is thy world.
The cage is the fruit of thy own action
And enjoy it without reaction.
Are not human beings caged bird like thee
And puppets in the hand of fate?
Are not thou
Human beings like us?