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I am an Ethiopian woman. Writing, walking and washing describe me best. My quest for identity is widening my outlook about the world. I come from two different cultures. My mother who speaks Oromigna is from Wadjitu located in Central Shewa. My father was born in Dorze Hayzo. It is found in the Southern part of Ethiopia. He speaks Dorzigna. I have strong ties with family, extended family members and relatives. Looking after nephew Nawi helped me to redefine myself in a new way these past two years. Corona Virus, the pandemic, is also teaching me lessons about valuing precious life and human relations. I am the follower of The Art of Living spiritual leader, Sri Sri Ravi Shankar. I hope to be a full fledged yogi someday. As a poetess, I do exercise poetry in some form but I have become a sonneteer who struggles to get iambic pentameter right. My gratitude sonnets are helping me to thrive in a new dimension. Tony Robbins has become my guiding star!



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Msgana

Kiya grinding online interactive more than ever expanding paradigm, Sim integrating pushing limits exploring opportunities growing wing, Hundaol graceful bouquet of flowers given thoughtful part of charm, Pom Queen dimance dernier went to saloon chaperone jeune frère amazing, Eyu high schooler helped ma to let the garbaldi roam free in a pond, Ezu Bizu change in height notable regard impressive weekend picture, Abelo in camp took leap over dinner prayed for all an act of gratitude, Maffy queried 'qui est enceinte? ' on the way new addition to the clan dear, Nati no longer under the weather focus back to revision, Namo group work writing ??? numbers assignment important, Ifa still grant names he picked from school to cousin Markon, Nawi 'what's that circle thing? ' perceptive, the swelling on my throat, twenty one days away to fifty one counting blessings in words, some wisdom: staying active self care cherish each other at all times

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Sheltered

'ditching school, ' stranger accused 'it's half day today, ' she told him, next to her inside public transport his questions wore her out, a favor handed his phone busy line disheartening couldn't reach mom, another number came to mind auntie answered the second best, 'got no key to let myself in what shall I do mother dear? ' the daughter, 'take another taxi come to granny we'll go home later' unfazed not at all, the girl handled the situation well but I fretted stranger danger, 'sister! no longer checking communication book of girl in highschool? ' independent early morning once you vacate vehicle comfort cease, mingling pushing through throng at intersection then head to taxi stop, short distance from school still wish you travel with utmost ease, worse scenario at hometime among adults easy access no hope, ??? ??? ??? ??? aujour'hui parked car at school gate at noon, chillin' with mom the chauffeuse on the way home am glad Pom Queen

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Chewata

'I don't even have a licence! ' Nawa to granny's' 'drive us there', 'let's go to ??, ???! buy me ice cream' insistent such intent, mischiefs with classmates he engaged in imparted incredible to hear, scrutinizing ability exercised wish rubs off on me child innate gift, Sunday vibe this yard brothers roamers squealing in delight running, plastering themselves on poles Nati did swing height an advantage, picking up pieces of wood piling elsewhere source of fun interesting, soiled his clothes nothing compared to pleasure easy to gauge, Nawi the student mom tutored did great at first quiz on Friday, best day ever he told went to school in sports wear he loved, once exam out of the way teachers let children out to play, reported bubblingly all over the place they were at the playground, stay in Preparatory class may it be filled with best memories, happy birthdate nephew sweet homecoming adorn the day blessings

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Funk

awards certificates post cards letters documents mostly academic, sons going through mom's stuff what an adventurous Sunday, mobile phones cd player coins keys questions they ask, fascinated collection source of admiration curiosity soaring high, Nawa Namo Nati crew cut fresh look it's the visit to the barber, pretty mother natural hair styled in curls in casual outfit, to construction site boys headed runned on ground floor, 'it's like a maze! ' wooden poles used to weave in and out, 'could I take this? ' showered kisses 'I'll take it as a yes! ' perceptive, help me out nephew five year-old dear am puzzled a date loom, stories unfold colorful out of teachers ear shot I believe, pray tell bubbly kindergarteners how do you find time, greatly rewarded missing weekly hike to the mountain, interactive lessons boys got me out of the funk I was in

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Hoist

showed up early morning this is the ArmataTuesday, bustling about in anticipation regulars extras in the yard, ?? ??? assigning tasks he's everywhere today, readiness visible on everyone intense eagerness enveloped, concrete mixer with its revolving drum its noise deafening, paired up with extras ?? ??? carrying on barrow crushed stone, ????? pulling bagged cement towards machine operator awaiting, don't forget the calm carpenter ??? task cut out solemn expression on, electric hoist motor lifts up the mixture all the way to top floor, spreading it over metal mesh on slab ????? ??? in charge, go between is the one managing delivery watch him tug the wire, collaboration at its finest men at work watch them exchange, lunch break mother provide nourishment tasty dish at that, her way of showing gratitude home builders important

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Riddle

'her hand was cold' soon as she was outta earshot, taken aback she burst out laughing 'seriously mom stop, ' consider the month's weather teacher from year last, how come Nawa didn't prize out his hand out of grasp, am baffled tender age appropriate to mind etiquette social, on their way to his class hand tucked in mother, joined them must feel partial miss has place special, she took Nawa's other hand ????? how did he endure, at home time '??? ??' looking at his teacher stated proudly, more fun fact this day unfolds Naol loves the mic, morning session melodious voice asks riddle repeatedly, eagerly claims platform number of times in a week, ????? great to see student in full gear in preparatory, drawn to stage such thrill nephew dear make unique history

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Illusion

Goye's granny Gete reunited five long years it took, peculiar habits she picked unacceptable within family, lived as she dared no one like her notorious chick, married a companion she did ?? addressed endearingly, illusion song blared Gete friend dragged to the packed dance floor, interesting moves breaking it down letting herself go so nimble, next minute shedding tears confessing how she got here, dressed in black staying at bereaved people abode excuse plausible, Goye came first no matter what lavished exaggerated attention on him, raucous among other things with her daughter point of contention, women individual preferences differ rift grew by the day it was grim, when she transitioned benefitted from inheritance the only one, look at you now well established entrepreneur Goya real gracious, groom to be pride of mother creating lifestyle which suits

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Jiye

Biruk sat on a stone soon after our arrival perusing village, we travelled by bus from Addis adults inside exchanging news, suddenly a splash of water on brother rose examined damage, Jiye hooted in laughter naughty boy unfettered by Biruk's distress, great grandma spoiled him gets away with any thing he's lively, barefoot wore shorts curly hair seemed shy at first just stared, at tender age my sole heir to what belongs to me declared adoringly, single mom such temper severe on firstborn often punished, outgrew boyhood became mom's confidante caring young man, confessed lovechild wild license to motherhood granted his presence, send son at my grad party I requested he represent whole clan, outstanding personality won him cherished status in family circles, those situations at different stages of life refined you for sure, easy to note you're in the driver's seat roll on do more be more

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Dinqa

'????! ', turned '????! ' jumped delightful to see favorite relation, oh no nail caught
??? ??? at the waist causing huge tear, momentarily crestfallen worrying will tend
to it later on, to the tall thin smiling beautiful woman I rear, benches filled with
noisy men in the yard drinking local brew, I watch her serve tirelessly patiently
graceful lady owns business, dry cough racks her occasionally cow dung smell
wind blew, sing song voice on the verge of crying narrating her woes, in the
kitchen lots of clay pots circular shaped so huge, dips ?? in one dunks to the brim
in to ???????? she pours it, assistant busy stirring ???? on open fire intriguing how
she manage, ??? had time for everyone welcoming nature engulfing warm heart,
Debre Zeit adventurous place loved going on a visit to the villa, horses pulling
the cart gallop on
sandy dusty road arrived voilà

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Sunnyside

weekly run at quarter past seven got to the park in half an hour, paused Strava to pay entrance exchanged pleasantries for once, resumed run then this urge to call your number Ezu Bizu dear, but he's in school trajectory of life has altered auntie miss, happiness engulf unit the two registered rules regulations read the form, crew cut a must done that brought out boyish charm in both, white shirt blue pants similar to previous sweater gray sombre uniform, branches differ no matter sure to make friends they endowed with, here you go academic year the thrill riding in car sis behind wheel, no small feat in every regard step on mother passengers important, Pom Queen does join morning fun at the square vacates vehicle, challenging moving from one part of the city to the next so be it, Aba still provide let's be thankful major breadwinner of family, design means to exercise your potential share burden eventually

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Gashye

dad flew back home adventurous trip done it's New Year's day, all of us accept loads of gift he brought with pleasure, came to our grandparents celebrated birthdays the first Sunday, uniform on materials packed second week to school we rear, weekend steam bath so relaxing bedroom warmth like blanket it wrap, wanted to express at will on the drawing book mom forbade, homework only for my brothers am bored what to do I fell asleep, missed few classes stayed indoors under the weather season still cold, family gathering Gashe's birthday livened up holiday celebration, grandchildren surround mixed with some running around fun filled house, Gash Afework lifelong friend has come full circle such blessed man, baby grand passed around moments to treasure she grasps, watching amazing videos of baby Nawa days how entertaining, five years four months old today keep on being outstanding!

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Ayzoh

back to school this week crew cut uniform on satchel full, lunchbox bag dangling
posing for cam smiling faces of the unit, brothers readiness for bright New Year
challenges visible, rainy season lingering Meskerem shower leaves ground wet,
kindergartener anxious listed misgivings mother to quell fears, prep class
decisive level threshold to the standard education, the two impose on little Nawa
forgotten how theirs was once, still dotes on opinionated bunch weighs in forms
his own, off hand manner prized bestie greeted hurt his feeling, mom listens to
the grievances attempts to console backfired, section he's in missed the ones
he's close to so daunting, teacher unknowingly party to uninteresting day he had,
Nawa smart rooting for you from the heart my favorite striver, knack you're
blessed with sure help to make path clear

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Alemye

public transportation user no more she's got a car, to fam to church to market to friends chillin' how cool, drives herself around the city lookin' good sister, top service of all picks up Maffy after school, lifestyle behind wheel sure feel great impressive quality, easy access to places sit back relax well deserved, deeds for those in need magnified part of personality, enjoy colorful ride on the road with utmost regard, addressing issues puts people at ease be there at large, attentive attuned to predicaments solving problems no holding back, courage built all these years takes you far to higher stage, striving entrepreneur excel more affectionate Alem right on track, ????? ????? ????? ????? ??? ????? ??? party on, may each one of your wishes aspirations dreams happen soon

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Champ

hugs kisses overwhelm 'you missed me! ' 'that I did, Nawa! ' this theme took
turn found myself exasperatedly restricting, don't touch that don't go to cement
concrete flooring arena, true building site full of dangers drawn to it he's
amazing, to satiate curiosity led by hand showed what's going on, had to explore
by himself went missing mother screamed losing sight, don't worry wouldn't hear
brought him back displeased forlorn, restlessness gripped hard outlet must set
predicament right, brothers scold denying independence holds his own thank
God, Naol endowed with reasoning skill makes intentions clear, lolled in bed
Namo unwell Nati just because then Nawa settled, found a way to engage wore
tons of medallions took his picture, affectionate dear creative charmer auntie
New Year best wish, risk taker like yourself land on suitable ground to flourish

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Bereket

Sonnet. grandson of ??? thriving Baba is back where he belong, the pillar so far
granny's formidable personality influential, presence of cuz Negus precious
Nebyu took under wing, for caring comes natural watching them auntie Helu
marvel, empathy unfolds at sleepovers playing with cousins for days, bonding
heightened both household fun activities all around, agemates Nebyu Nawa
taking turns during games full of sparks, Ifa an old soul assuaging skill noble
amiable admirable indeed, auntie Sariti prized guest delight lavished showers of
love, inner child on full force auntie Timmy orchestrated play, the gathering at
new place epitome of this year I believe, reunited unit heartily accommodate on
sixth birthday, nephew Nebyu blessing to parents all who cross your path, may
Saint Mary guide each step you take in faith

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Cherish

'Baba! Stop the car for a minute. Got to say goodbye to classmate, ' curbing amazement at son's request curious Sammy granted wish, 'do you know where she lives? ' 'Over there, ' they got out, at safe distance he looked on Nebyu called out to potential crush, she came out brightened they hugged chatted for sometime, Sammy witnessed kids near by reacted two carried on unfazed, mini adults engaging in interaction of own beyond father fathom, recent experience left him speechless telling way he reported, six year-old new school he enrolled no more Eldra Academy, gist of exchange revolved around this message their parting stage, sure to go on seeing each other thanks to dear Sammy, son got a friend in dad indeed his need smooth to assuage, having crushes considered developmental milestone nephew dear, healthy part of life expressing feeling wonderful preschooler

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Armata

extras synchronized with regulars at residential construction project, deafening
sound diesel concrete mixer make Haymanot is in charge, aggregates cement
sand water tilting machine operate best, Belete the carpenter dependable Dereje
secure mixture by stage, shouldering spades humble Deru explains each building
steps, Genanaw serious countenance hear him sing siesta sealed, curly hair
Manche cheerful Manchlo cleans up collects tools, ough yes fellows animatedly
discuss clubs footballers so loud, double entendre name Endawek confession
legit complexion, Gudeta Ferayu tall witty brutal expert at welding together
ferro, Fasil civil engineer dotes on Gash Kete for daily supervision, le chauffeur
monsieur Benyam run errand bearer of company logo, dmdmat celebrated like
event notable foundation level, mother dear care for everyone gratitude mutual

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Segue

secured the job effortlessly landed on stairway to next level, sale entails huge cut
inside pocket help out make it happen, no longer high schooler full fledged
taxpayer cruising behind wheel, spread out fast paced environment lifestyle
blueprint your own, independent decade freedom to explore opportunities
endless exist, transition somersault like breathe analyze within sense of identity,
past cargo overwhelm chin up reflect convert in to suit best, collectibles
kaleidoscopic treasure each cover bills cautiously, breadwinner sole provider to
self of course mask on first, step out of comfort zone stretch be enlightened from
mistake, winning personality enterprising master art of listening, do not succumb
to doubt face no stress confidante bloke, adult experience interaction heighten
responsibilities second nature, everyone cheering you on lifetime learner find
pearl in oyster

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Recapitulate

July frenzy unshakable mountain climber some label, running changes state
demanding more gain momentum, consistent I ain't fourteen runs in record
frowned upon potential, power unfold solo invisible rather non existent among
team, challenge tune online own your brain mental exercise intense, sharpen self
worth unlock asset inside new currency knowledge, stop second guessing you're
enough pains translate to skills, complexity is the enemy of execution be you
have courage, learn to earn to return share life experience throw in imagination,
interpret accumulation be responsible make difference do different, develop
sense of community mentors harp on collaboration, uplifting dreams are
contagious unravel version tons emulate, flex muscles take control reflection
fruitful a teacher visualize, selfcare workout regular authentic woman release
gracefully ease

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Haile

Go for Gold grand finale next to legend Sofi Malt madam, saxophonist livened up event Butterfly Hunter Eagle he accompany, ululated applauded joined in singing each group advanced podium, electrifying vibe in hall prizes given pictures taken morning ceremony, participants mark presence anticipation high declare official page, Strava board closed group record change whenever I check, eighteenth updated stage top three among women stirred feeling strange, competitive are we difference in hundreds reminder click, Etalemaw beat Yegile still beckoned screamed runned to Haile, high fived hugged golden certificate accepted it's an honor, group rep deliver to each member individual effort best drumroll, bless you feet exchanged laughter with long distance emperor, bruises endured worth it Bruke my knees got stories, Likassa Dere Tadiose love you guys top ten leaders

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Dere

sleep over at uncle big deal four packed set all teeth, cousin Maffy on her toes
expectant in cahoots with parents, once they arrived secretive barely concealing
surprise, lunch was served on the move piled up in small car alas, journey out of
town heavy load on her lap Ezana help, Nazret city stifling heat sitting at some
establishment, cold drinks in order Danny came to the rescue juice we sip, goose
bumps on my arms temperature dropped nippy somewhat, injera on a tray tasty
dinner Shiro wat peach color, five children on ferash who placed Namo besides
me, breakfast interesting dish at restaurant unaccustomed to it I fear, hot drinks
at the café hurry back host home decorate baloon spree, luncheon celebrating
Eyu's graduation sister's birthday, adventurous weekend whirlwind took breath
away

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Miskin

coding pair in class mom at the gym Friday morning unfolds, at home Nawa
threw up coughing got worse reported sitter, to hospital father got son
appointment mother drove out with sons, brothers eager to be on their way a
stop at Yared Doctor, goodbye little one get well soon you'll join some other
time, away they went siblings cousins uncle Danny behind wheel, paediatrician
must miss cheerful patient at examination room, reserved at a spot between
parents what was the real deal, shed tears missing brothers mom promised not
to ever separate, at a loss watching how inconsolable soulful child, impending
sleepover plan a spark Nawa did perk engulfing aunt, bonding avec dad strolling
in the neighborhood Sariti marvelled, Nati alone playing quietly folding stuff
before you two pop, Namo had a big brother not a small one then you showed up

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Granular

vibing with engaging ladies on stage until I didn't altogether, spectator concerned
trainer maintained eye contact join in, inner discomfort disruptive weak smile I
gave her, long faced to the start line Esayas I lightened up Strava on,
sympathetic listening to lament almost missed today's event, assured me nothing
to do with previous week mishap, hard time avoiding ground wet slippery route,
to the side aping two tall men ahead I sank deep, reward long grass concealed
muddy water drenched shoes, scolded vented all I like show must go on onward,
back to picking on Esayas am relentless tease, he gained speed last I saw him
inside hotel yard, neighborhood mood range from supportive mothers to
opinionated children, cattle church goers football players stationed members
adorn the run

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Grandiose

move your body route revised redesigned course map, warm greetings done both
of us got to work, stretching out of the way to the real deal line up, Wesen
announced no intention to run rather walk, group one tore away gap widened
impressive pace duly noted, caked mud smooth passage stamping feet in the
forest, past construction site gained momentum on asphalt road, another scene
pass through gorge picked way no small feat, sprinting downhill not advisable
pacemaker warned I whizz by, fastest split I own it alright see if we do more,
strain on knees should've listened to the guy, Esayas couldn't go on sat nursing
ankle oh dear, commotion legend arrived fans surround dance away people,
recovery exercise priceless shared moment at close range special

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Malt

sunny morning orange race shirt lift spirit music blaring, on stage trainer led
warm up exercise he's intense, fun to watch moves of enthusiasts each does his
thing, team Haile in green stand by in the yard Zak come with us, race began
Strava on not mine wailed Esayas adjusted, location on distress quelled am
grateful here we roll, uphill walking on cobblestone tried to see beyond bend,
level ground dirt road twists turns more gaping people, in the woods negotiating
route intent in anticipation, wading through mud slipped suddenness a surprise,
screamed once up on my feet heard accusation, your overeagerness to be ahead
of me is the cause, seven kilometers done despite terrain challenge, passing by
churcyard sobering memento mori duly acknowledge

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Sweet

chauffeur rental car four in full gear dropped us off at auntie, welcoming cousins
excitement infectious sleepover for days, cooking smell wafting mouth watering
prepping up for the party, my turn to use kitchen modern time for cinnamon
rolls, ingredients laid out boiled milk sugar baking powder eggs butter, flour in a
bowl leavening agent present use spatula to combine, knead sometime let dough
rise cover join group play for an hour, sweet voice of Nawa livens up the game
still center of attention, flatten dough apply pressure for good measure
rectangular shape emerge, lace with butter sprinkle aromatic spicy cinnamon
powder spread evenly, roll in to a cylinder cut in to equal pieces let oven take
charge, final touch eggwash the tops makes them golden brown crispier
heavenly, baking with love favorite pastime add pastry chef to the list, Pom
Queen patiently lovingly creates refining skills delightful talent

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Budding

owner of a car within a quarter unforgettable July, best birthday gift to self
dedication to hard work paid off, checking out all those pictures at six months
stay, marvelling as you browse imagining dream close enough, motivating
sessions with uncle hear you chuckle hearty exchange, from this end he showed
how it's done soothing voice influential, heart warming excitement after driving
practice I happily gauge, nephew dear whole being engrossed found you behind
the wheel, coach Eni on your case persistent guardian pushing you harder,
supervision in prepping up for exam to acquire the license, dear sister to each
one of you congratulations is in order, major supporters helping him to claim the
future blessings, hours before flight taking Alem's Swift automobile for a spin,
treasure first passengers auntie Nebyu big brother Jojo the veteran

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Exuberant

footballer making friends wherever comes natural sociable, condominium
compound at disposal bonding enjoyed cycling, little children drawn to him knows
how to look after amiable, begging mom relentlessly boys at grass field he's
watching, time to tone down consumption addiction hampers progress, glued to
screen hunched unmoving like object not worth it, physical activity by all means
healthy living dictates, isolating yourself averting responsibilities has dire
consequences, family gatherings birthdays holidays highlights in your life,
journey to Wadjitu Debre Zeit Dorze Hayzo Sodere life changing, adventurous
excursions shared gratifying shaping you there of, Ezu! dear teenager ups downs
all lessons contribute in moulding, play on as a team grow wings to soar high,
inner strength blending with wonder feet score towards sky

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Model

favorite son Awa doted on dependable man the father, humble interactive
accommodative responsible employees more than ten, playful among friends
serious assigning tasks the entrepreneur, googled him civil engineer twelve years
eight months told LinkedIn, ?? ??? can't do without the homebase other villages
incomparable, across ?? abode rented office barber ????'s life long client, in tune
with changes modern buildings intimidate not adaptable, greets people by name
grew up there boyhood perfected he's passionate, sons do inherit qualities
curiosity by far excel they are inquisitive, testing dimensions they explore
possess varying degrees of creativity, rank students influencing each other
devoted footballers competitive, ambition valuable embedded in self expression
winning personality, Happy birthday! loved respected enjoy your day, from each
one of us best wishes all the way!

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Yanet

birthday last Queen sat at grade eight National Exam, evening celebration
firecrackers lit up the apartment, online school event graceful girl in grad gown
bloom, Junior High at that branch Pom completed in high spirit, mid July stroll at
Friendship Square on a wet morning, leg swing at disposal bit of running taking
in fresh air, last day of the month result out bated breath listening, squealed in
delight soon as ended convo with teacher, ???? ?? rain or shine attended church
solemn devotion, ?? at grandparents at new neighborhood festive holiday,
summer time bonded with mom long awaited reunion, cooking refined combined
culinary skills come to play, happy fifteenth birthday may you live a remarkable
life, limitless possibilities at beck and call see for yourself

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Varisella

Nawa brought highly contagious guest beginning of June, stayed home indoors entertaining mom resourceful kindergartener, standing before mirror tons of times counting spots on skin, spits out hilarious comments scrutinizing baffling invader, chicken pox resided in that house making its rounds in earnest, Namo wore hoodie to school twenty three dots on face not cool, 'hideous, I look, ' declared he disarming discomforts not right, once it blew over back to normal left no trace at all, big brother big blow suffered most siblings found reason to gang, angry spots frightful don't come near us they dismissive, prepping up for final inner strength at work Nati outstanding, undeterred stuck it out forbade mother to ask sick leave, mama's turn now worried boys accusing each other hilarious, nephews of mine what a month of bittersweet lessons

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Abide

stay at the Academy two decade adapted to routine autopilot, step out of line
consequences severe always on guard, rules of game change script tighter ride
not worth it, true calling way laid lasting lesson journey left behind, month of
birth fasting season humble devotee no question, church goer nurtured early on
somewhat shaped outlook, excitement level max out watching football for fun,
aversion to physical activities alarming exercise distasteful task, pace heightened
eligibility elevated right fit not rules bind, details read away a blur glued to
screen reality harsh, training gruesome campus stead nice compared to this field,
presentation immaculate from head to toe polish with flourish, recipient high time
for you to reciprocate do not shrug, consideration major etiquette principle pays
in folds to hug

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Bedlu

May 13,1991. Monday.6: 10pm.

sun is setting here bamboo plantation
everywhere, granny bustle busy preparing ?? grandpa works in the garden, Bruk
sat next to dad on stones at ??? joined them unsure, dad severely scolding in
undertone on gathered information, intention to shield from life Bruk had in Addis
backfired, company hangs out with worse than before disappointing, didn't take
him long to assimilate bibing crowd he favored, darkness attracts hyenas granny
'???! ' in anguish searching, grandpa let grandson be his wife handles distasteful
matters, enjoyed old age in peace unperturbed used to be feared by all, ???
hated way of life unaccustomed to lack in any sense, '?????! ' ?? ?? dotes on her
hear booming voice when he call, reminisce kudos to journals did unravel valuable
narrative, happy birthday brother dear you're best guardian we have

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Spot

spot at a certain spot on his body how peculiar, itchy twitchy inquisitive chief
must see for himself, indoors stay for days with mom full of laughter, number of
times in the day scrutinized the mirror in disbelief, Mpabbe jersey special
birthday gift he request, get it for me however you can gesture claimed
entertaining, notable World Cup fan overnight France star appeal best, devotedly
apes brothers next thing you know does it better amazing, Nawa wonder child
everything you say or do extraordinary, mom recounted interesting countdown of
this fifth birthday, it's a big deal worth talking about I feel celebratory, accidental
traveller sending wishes from Wolaita on Maramo Monday, Ginbot Ldeta rainy
night put you in dry clothes before barbecue, may you always find one who
comes to your rescue

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Vingt

Simon a man twenty mighty graceful adult in town, staying in alcove showers of love time to evolve, vacation right after graduation full of hardcore education, grinding to navigate future current drive liable move, different mindset exposure where melting pot is at, transformed physique outlook unique nephew sound cynic, reception overwhelmed stock on favored land genuinely daunt, no worries siblings cousins rewarding enthusiasts so to speak, your homecoming New Year mom's birthday all in September, another holiday the clan gather bamboo beckon in Dorze Hayzo, impressive warrior stance in costumes holding shield and spear, having good times wearing dinguza enjoying lit Temakeso, the field is yours score amazing goals have your fill, dear nephew don't lose that sense of humor most of all

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Bekoji

Saturday market in full swing town of runners pulsating, eyes feasted on colorful people variety of wares on display, men on horseback passing heavily loaded obedient donkeys carrying, track road thronging with pedestrians on bus driver negotiated the way, here we are Oromia Sport Commission Bekoji Athletics Training Center, camping spot vast grass land under the blue sky perfect, vacated vehicle to put up tent some adept most onlooker, sometime temperature dropped sun retreated wind brutal hit, rain falling diagonally back to bus forget plan to unpack, disheartened looked out through window in gloom rearrange schedule, once it let on out of the yard to the main road headed back, more shower run its course to the mountain we earnestly roll, motivational speech uplifted spirit guide led feet charge, hike challenging supported each other with courage

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Gofere

basketballers in action enjoying game bonding at large, obvious to see each one
present talent running for common goal, energetic teen challenges himself
flexing it at track such courage, short distance enthusiast athletics experience
transformational, incredulity writ on face every time I try to cool burning tongue,
'why does she eat then? ' only hearty giggles mother's response, table has
turned I hear preference became spicy dish amazing, good for you keep
appreciating cuisine of parents birthplace, wishlist used to be colorful you grew
out of it at fourteen, tell you what would love to get impressions of last visit,
vacation full of lesson mingling rather smooth skin tone attone, share here stored
in head memories of every sort, analytical ability reveals identifying unique
wisdom refines approach, winning life hack serves as bridge future heights to
reach

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Extra

??? stern like his dad maybe more how exasperating, ??? ??? ?? hadn't worn off at decade sixth, ??! ??! ??! ?? accommodating personality unwavering, her love kept family together none of us value her worth, last night screamed at Nawa I did still feel bad, my space forever playroom offsprings of siblings unwind at, cheeky boy kept turning light on and off caught red handed, isn't he past toddler stage that single man army? guess not, ????? ?????? ??? enthused Pom your dad's too sweet niece, comparing Nawa Namo Nati Ezu cracking up watching fallen man, Maffy displayed trending moves taking cue Hawii browses, nope adults left annual ????? dinner crestfallen, outdoor event ruined downpour from two sky son of ancestor, mom delivered best cuisine curbed unbecoming conduct of partner

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Gashe

Nawa dear follows the leader he's firm believer, term of address proper don't doubt yourself, wasted on grandpa the sceptic recipient cheer dampener, dear child active mind simply blurted trusts chief, intensity of interaction heightened all rounded personality maxed, jaded not tries out store doesn't disappoint spews out, restrictive field in most regard progress somewhat hampered, no worries what he does best test thick waters so smart, heard the latest devotee artist took up drawing, paper at disposal creates patiently explains remarkably, next to father firstborn action won heart of sibling, still influential in matters crucial coach Namo obviously, from the superheros on screen you're incomparable, my all time favorite nephew intriguing Naol!

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Propriétaire

propriétaire d'un saloon embellissant le rêve de toute une vie pour les femmes,
toute une collection regarde le salon élégant, prête à servir toutes sortes de
clients équipe de direction, changements notables excellent d'année en année, a
le don de rassembler des employés compétents obéissants fidèles loyaux,
compétences en communication pour régler les différends incroyables
charismatique, établissement fonctionnant bien en son absence, le personnel
gère bien, ambiance invitante atmosphère relaxante rire contagieux réchauffant
pour ainsi dire, générosité identifiant un donneur de qualité du fond du cœur,
observe ce qui manque se démène pour aider, franc-parler trop plein de charme
façon intelligente de transmettre, plein de sagesse est utile pour naviguer dans la
relation, Bossye les filles s'adressent à vous avec affection, vous souhaitent un
merveilleux anniversaire avec gratitude

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Vacancier

Vacances en famille en août pleines d'aventures, dire au revoir à l'année 2014 avec style comme c'est cool, a conduit pendant des heures hors d'Addis quelle excursion en voiture, vers la péninsule de Zege en bateau jusqu'au monastère de Kibran Gabriel, tenue de femme pour la journée robe verte fluide, la couleur signifie le renouvellement de la nature, l'abondance, l'espoir, la santé, les pèlerins sereins mélangés à un environnement florissant parmi les arbres, les peintures historiques, les trésors de l'église regardant avec un couché solennel, l'unité posant pour la caméra l'arrière-plan impressionnant des chutes du Nil bleu, Bahir Dar plus d'aventure sur la nouvelle suspension pont, anxiété écrite partout Alem Blen plein de rires conduit, l'expression dit tout nièce est pleine de courage, l'unité familiale aventureuse renforce le lien élargit l'expérience viva les touristes, planifier vos vacances avec un tel dévouement un dévouement remarquable

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Pianist

shapely fingers gracefully rest on synthesizer keyboard, leading siblings cousins
sing birthday song, neck bent intent on carrying out task composed, talent
engaging everyone taken in how entertaining, musician in our midst drawings he
present simply the best, adoring brother back in March gather favorite cartoon
character, next recipient cousin agemate gift such a delight, boy is an artist
creates magic on paper, fun filled celebration at grandparents welcome eleven,
right after lunch scoops of icecream in cups tops it all, Timmy doled out
strawberry vanilla chocolate in a sauce spoon, equally sweet or more gifting
money hear children squeal, tweenager dear the big brother keep amazing us,
am so proud to note your outstanding personally unfolds

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Sagal

delightful personality combo sunny disposition still prominent, perceptive
accommodating sensitive sheds tears when sad, awaited this day bated breath
beginning of month favorite, hope wish list aligned with parents wide field nine
year-old, second semester new lingo session here tongue twister, inheritance
from two sides comes in handy feels so dandy, sure to get the hang of it easy
peasy I wager, barsisa facilitator vibrant scholars eager under care no worries
buddy, adaadiishu part of birthday party let's dance come on, akka cirraca
sa'aatii sa'aatii keessa darbutti as the saying goes, guyyoonni jireenya keenyaas
akkasuma imala gaari Simon, farewell life passes by very quickly humbling
truth, memories of every journey you've seen emulate devotedly, ilmaan
obboleessaa fare better in future I bless gratefully

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Ruwach

mass runner no more turned solo not even a kilometer, watched all those fast feet awashed in a sea of confusion, good mood dissipated took a while to remember for pleasure, have fun listen to body be in tune with pace you build during run, morning gift beckoned grateful turned towards sunshine bathed in it, water station picked bottle splashed on shorn head how reviving, in my overeagerness drenched top of the outfit, alarmed worried this is worse than underboob sweat impending, exhaustion led to question failed to make sense of goal, disorienting no doubt preferred to focus on cheering crowd, uplifting mostly disregarded the hurtful ones oblivious to struggle, appreciative of myself completing the Halfmarathon best reward, soggy materials proof of exertion for hours nonstop, felt great peeling off of me celebration of private clap

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Prom

chaperoned by the duo Danny Getish assuring mom safe night, to the party not
so fast heavy demands am in a fix, assigned to sell ten turned in eight pre event
least fav word ticket, cunning Ephrem accomplice my crush Zachariah showed up
drunk alas, panic seized put up brave front handed back defeat overtook,
dragged feet to the spot carried on duty any minute they'd be here, confided in
assistant as last resort sameboat assuaged Yelalwork, Pitu dear accommodating
ushered in my guests grateful scholar, Axumite Band play on gotta dance the
night away make way, girls giggling kissing couple everywhere we're ogling,
joined the fun once attention claimed a boy, a handful self conscious understood
he's patient obliging, time to go home rain hampered new acquaintance came to
rescue, free ride protective arms on my shoulders askew

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Halfmarathon

shuttle collected from Haile Resort drop off in front of the lake, sunrise in Hawassa city witnessed pre-race warm up exercise, spot marked start point speaker spewing out DJ Drshu track, elite athletes restless busy rubbing chafing cream on thighs, once they were out of sight my tense shoulders relaxed, Aman led the group workout Dere our cameraman indeed, here we go each to his own lagged behind so soon daunting, first mile excitement drowned out exhilarating vibe how sad, Strava record faulty first seven kilometers unaccounted for, smooth pace non existent let down myself how about that, every mile different guile less agile what a distracted runner, literally walked uphill felt strain on knees worried a whole lot, Halfmarathon done two hours thirty two minutes rock on, overcame obstacles won inner battles earned a medallion!

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Selfcare

tasks Nawa embarked on telling taking matters in hands, entered dressing room
returned to cupboard each item, canoterra shirt sweater pant trousers jacket
socks, upstairs carrying shoes puts on shelf doesn't need them, descended
hurriedly passed parents didn't look their way, they saw him head purposefully to
the kitchen, scolded favorite sitter laying out uniform for next day, not going to
school staying in expressed decision, begging bribing from members had no
effect next morning, spent the day as he liked watching tv playing in the yard,
fooling around some coloring done afternoon napping, brothers home he
welcomed cheerful best day he had, Nawi tell you what self care away from
crowd best treat, looking out for oneself precious trait believe that

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Negest

Happy birthday auntie Tigi quite a turn of event, important mission delivering niece to new place, extra special celebrating bonding to large extent, motherly advice your sister role you play express the campus, boarding school away from home marks new beginning, this experience does remind time you had in school, be fearless niece I almost hear you say obviously reminiscing, being perceptive weighs in heavily decision making channel, how proud this girl must be journeying to Bahir Dar, eager to discover life different from the sheltered cocoon, inherited strength sustain as she settle family is pillar, two guides by her side at university smooth registration, leader who paved the way woman who all dote on, enjoy bonus vacation in beautiful city all you can

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Sunset

dinner party Gash Hussein abode we're almost there, wait wet ground gray sky
dampener evening show, intention waylaid halt haste makes waste you hear,
concealed treasure majestic pleasure took it slow, bustling team all about service
in blue exuding sincerity, promised highlight gradual appearance so appealing,
guests on chairs around circle form jovial unity, good vibe music flowed merry
crowd children playing, had felt engulfing glow on back can't be human doing,
squealing rose to greet majestic sight what grand entrance, Kodak time capture
at leisure alluring mesmerising, recorded drawn to its elevated stand gliding with
grace, accomodating community by the lakeside unforgettable, blessings all
around evening event memorable

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Diso

pregnant in grade eleven indignant dad inconsolable, had high hopes doted on
you different from sisters, three abducted heavy burden auntie silently bore it all,
whose at fault custom permitted previous Sunday I witness, thud snatched girl
bajaj toppled caused near death, brother Bekele team of intervention to vehicle
value given, consensual besides point still practiced ???? harsh truth, will it
become story of past who takes initiation, dear Diso mother of Felmeta direct
energy end damaging image, you owe it to son future man the potential father,
experienced ups downs highs lows of life at this stage, siblings many children low
income be change maker, admirable vibrant woman courageous watched how
you operate, go on start transforming village be an advocate

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Meri

shapely fingers plink plonking the keyboard in his own way, music room at
disposal free to roam thank you teacher, writing on board chalk at hand
expression on display, delighted to see Miss Kassech hugs kisses he showered on
her, runned to heart's content friend for the day seven year-old, made me go
upstairs number of times won't take no, gets his way no matter what
conversational sweetness aboard, inquisitive that he's posing important questions
you know, picture time Nathan with mates drew near phone out, auntie back off
dismayed let third sibling photograph, would you believe outrageous discrediting
little big talent, exact words Nawa wouldn't get right angles what a laugh, free
spirited dear nephew happy birthdate buzzing so energetic, eager to discover
more striver you're on versatile track

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Woe

this new arrangement doesn't make sense for real, the constant coaches in my
life out of sight every night, bad enough we attend different compound in the
same school, home time in the car day done curiosity gone worn out, give me a
break guys got to deal with my allergy oh bother, go ahead reveal store teach
me more always listening boring, classmates novelty wore off already am the
third musketeer, count me in best confidante even argument intriguing, watching
cartoon feels lonely took up spelling willingly mind, on chairs much studying
leaves no room for carefree fun, Saturday class for kindergarteners none am
disappointed, but you're my brothers did remind mommy my mom, playing
together once again semester break what luck, progress report active participant
planning fun excursion important task

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Welegera

Kassaye Aboye father of the bride gracious host passed by, in the yard around a circle women dancing to the beat, Tigist heavily pregnant sat clapping previous year her big day, inside huge tent invited guests eat to their heart's content, ten of us from capital to Dukem before designated four old men, handed money as gift mom big bro sis Timmy representatives, did see others residing nearby carry bdena ferso areke filing in, mom's favorite wedding gift to mushrit bag of candies, the red embroidery on her cultural dress matching shash, shuruba peeking out of it customary to cover at ceremony, contrasting long extensions on young girls the way they brandish, the groom surrounded by entourage exude charm refreshing harmony, newlyweds bowing elderly people bestowing showers of blessing, festive gathering colorful attire heartfelt exchange continuously buzzing,

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Bond

spontaneous dancing blaring song beckoned delightful kid, applause erupted
from onlookers respite from exchange, music must have appealed to this
perceptive four year-old, unique moves of his typical style yard used as stage,
siblings spouses children gathered day after the grand holiday, mom's cuisine
tasting over catching up on a large scale, sister from overseas sorely missed a
blur her short stay, more topics city vibe discussion makes one swirl, carefree
children running around oblivious to adults conversation, intention having fun
doing their own thing screaming top of lung, innocence infectious wished grown
ups bring out inner child from deep within, substitute frown by laughter life is
short be joyous sing, rooting for each one of you strengthen bond till end,
playing together foundation for building trust interaction solid

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Hundaol

you are a full fledged conscientious young man I wager, responsible shouldering
tons let's take stock of accomplishment, trying challenges faced with bravery
restraint defeated constraint stagger, doling out for members inconsiderate
takers exhaustion curbed somewhat, ironing school uniform simple act louder
than words told the symbol, discipline holding one's own observing rules
character counts, crew cut academic year norm every other week get a trim on
call, hairstyle from time to time that of International model before eyes,
teammate Pom sweet consulting big brother at cooking baking, managing house
between two getting along best sibling duo worthy, moderator when she goes off
rail calmly outburst often overwhelmed baffling, confrontation coping mechanism
upgrade pronto zoning out unhealthy, congratulations on keeping it together
junior master lay back, this Christmas extra gift home sweet home complete just
bask

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Wossen

Demissie sharing same father's name friends inseparable, at the wedding making sure entourage watch time, events of the day unfolded according to schedule, from a distance signalling gesticulating engaging charm, regarding personality caring ability prominent concern genuine, observant dependable protective defender a whole lot more, you're telling me had first hand experience at close range I reckon, lunching guests at the apartment newly wed sis called on mother, raw meat to be chopped Yitna the butcher provided it fresh, delivery by hand messenger moi left unwillingly arrived disagreeably, moaning in pain expression plain sibling hush, Wossen sat me source of my misery unknownest obviously, fondest memories we have of you reminiscing way we did, hope your son became charismatic warm loved respected

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Megabi

homecoming musician Izzy got busy bonding became easy, license to interact
cruising around on his skateboard, Shiromeda ramp built from scratch kids
zealously whoosh by so breezy, gathering place where they freely dream big
space their stand, Maffy's birthday present to Nati skateboard facial expression
priceless, baby brother the one and only claimed it soon wasted no time, tried it
on cousins making such racket major supporters, fast decision on the spot off
limits till further notice face solemn, niece quite at ease circling brothers at the
Addis ramp, weekend experience helmet on safety first guides in tow, Nawa at
home building destroying block houses company mommy, be sure to excel all no
need of trainer that I know, dear children grow to be a giver like Israel Dejene
Malle, Moses story told by mother inspired this change maker to be impactful

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Jubilant

'you are so nice, Eni, ' appreciative of his visiting aunt, how he expressed their departure in a fun way, 'I'll miss you guys, ' closing eyes fake crying warms heart, charmer no end, 'mommy my mom, ' to her 'Nawa my boy! ' this December under the weather poor dear to the doctor, 'you are not my friend! Stop saying that! ' tell it like it is, practical person holding his own at this age let's be clear, took administered medicine obligingly trust built with ease, weekend vibe at the hive junior extrovert run around wild, hugs showers of kisses taking pictures enjoy the cooking, school week celebration ??? ????? Day set the tone indeed, lessons on colors Wednesday too white clothing, cheers to you four years and seven months, delighting in your grace basking in abundance blessings

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Feat

master holder Tigi dear celebrating in style winning smile, determination coupled with dedication made difference, juggling career homelife studying shouldering a lot for real, overcoming challenges sit back bask in your success, looking out for members throwing yourself thin tower of strength, socializing in moderation attending hosting interaction fulfilling, lucky son has got a star mother first one to see her worth, inculcating lasting values in him day to day routines revealing, continuous grinding laced with remarkable disarming presentation, way you carry yourself admirable fashionable always stylish, offspring acquired sense of dressing this early suited to his person, inspiring sister in-law accept showers of appreciation with relish, name sake patience coincidentally complimentary what a journey, Turufat a blessing accomplishments outstanding shiny

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Aba

man of the cloth their godfather saved the day, whole again complete unit tears
shed worth it, dispute smoothened pros cons navigate the way, let's be real
marital issues no recipe to be handed out, Pom Queen's encouraging words '????
?? ' rang loud, Monday beginning to what has been severed for a year, order in
my court sis assumed space designated, koumbaro second best mediator
stonewalling no more, setting soothing influential conductor the priest archetype,
niece confessed listened to evening church lessons, too much bickering deafening
her youthful psyche pop, offsprings appeased intervention paid off blessings, life
is as you make it manifested revealing action, stop digging for interpretation this
magical concoction

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Boys

Nephews on Tuesday morning at ?? stadium enjoyed sun, noticed Eyu in the yard
maybe bored ?? fooling about, members would've caused havoc on harmless
canine, say athletic teen join me in run mother gave consent, heard door open
here we go again but then nothing strange, who's in there in annoyance wasn't
audible, came face to face waiting turn at close range, brightened greeted early
riser relief took toll, Abelo sprang up count me in agreed sleepy sister, dress up
for weather disregarding his protest, at the field royal treatment blaring
humongous speaker, Strava on auntie led the way brothers followed suit, visitors
at most ease kicking ball making friends, blessings to all unforgettable stay in
Addis

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Metu

Eyu next to his granddad inside Toyota pickup, excused from work to welcome daughter from overseas, she rode with Sariti from airport uninterrupted catching up, soon as I laid eyes ma used to look exactly like this, hugging her felt so good cushiony voluptuous woman, nephew drew near bent to greet he's very tall, time he denied access how his hurt mom complain, phase over back to the way she want hugs and all, dad's repeated annoying showers of restrictions duck! avoid bump with this door as you enter exit, Eni instinctively bowed observant son got a kick, tell you what master's quirks wears one out, set complete feels she never left home, a week we still bubble in happiness Hiwot came

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Hamsa

Dan bro brought four birthday gift to the park, race T-shirt on jackets too not
that cold but, at the waist girls tied theirs hindering bulk, kept as group
welcomed at finish line time right about, spotted walking leisurely it's a race boys
better run, screamed top of voice indignant aunt passing by, Simon stared
defiant such conduct futile manipulation, silent exasperated hurt annoyed looked
away, feet at work pleased forgave disrespect for a while, repeated tap in
scolding gratitude first complying wish, never again hilarious enjoyed gulping
fresh air I can tell, regard evidence captured last bit glad you accomplish, Maffy
Pom Ezu Simon Predator Energy Drink runners at ???? at beckoning, future
lifestyle on the making here's my blessing

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Frère

Jojo lemon Simon orange race shirt on at Meskel Square, bubbling excitement manifested both thrilled ready to roll, handed over to organisers anxious security minimum there in oh dear, six year-old grazed knee got up carried on injury visible, next pack told to step back not the time to start, most missed footing toppled on each other Jo twisted leg, endured pain throughout prompted to hasten oblivious to predicament, massage a must this no small feat compared to sibling, turned face upward taking picture he sauntered off, time to go wait a minute where's your brother at, screamed name in panic suddenness of it beyond belief, reappeared struck head unable to decipher sense of his act, still shaken from incident Simon's remark lightened strained situation, '?? ??? ????' '?????' ' voicing genuine concern

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Sekela

put on track suit shorts too running shoes all set, out the door close the gate
behind face the world, don't work them feet yet tread carefully easy does it, turn
on Strava record each movement on pavement downward, past the French
Legation head to Kagnev Square, halt memento mori symbolical reminder piled
up coffins, another scene Shimbira Iset busy vendors by Lion's Cage gather,
readying themselves for the day to sell seasonal chick peas, Kidist Maryam watch
over us Victory Statue contain its own, Ambassador Mall Arbegnoc Hintsa
across Trinity Cathedral, the Grand Abrehot Library before Selassie Traffic light
beckon, Imperial Palace waits to unravel its endless charms people! I have
arrived Friendship Park count me in Sekela crew, early morning weekly run feel
the breeze carouse through

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Cousin

Nebyu first time participant prepped up thanks to passionate dad, come the day at Sport's Academy excited children in hundreds, blue race T-shirt under five wore important messages it had, phone numbers of guardians blended with play matters, siblings leisurely strolled to arena offsprings in tow, organizing team summoned kids warm up before run, retold sis Nebyu looked after Nawa and how! righting him back whenever easy to witness cuz intent on, feet at work roaming free firing plastic horn event highlight, brother dear sprinted weight disregarding hilarious not her, no worries trust the third child uncomplicated independent, found them holding hands at finish line let's all cheer, cousins they say favorite partners in crime, unfolded before our eyes their unique charm

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Runner

two year-old danced to heart's content to different beat, we joined in sharing the fun his moves genuine, tireless pounding ground rhythmically with such zest, how he slept on mother's lap spent later on, a participant year last Ezu's race shirt extra large, off we rushed holding hands excitement propelled, halt adults step far back orders from stage, guided exercise attentive kiddies jumping music played, once race began chaos reigned adults surged frantic, hindering little ones progress pure act of thoughtlessness, spotted Nawa walking to the left side I was ecstatic, prompted him to run did so some some my heart gladdens, pep talk to self prior to this day admirably amazing, competitive clear cut intention goal setting in the making

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Serene

Salsa dance mom's lifestyle therapeutic consuming passion, attendance evening session dad helped out looked after, nursery rhymes she sang to baby happy home energetic woman, practiced steps in earnest latin music filled the air, family unit four working out at the gym this time, hailing taxi no more behind her own wheels in control, demanding little one messing plan of nursing mom, dropping off kindergartener handling tons took its toll, new addition enterprising widened horizon lessons amazing, mature matron calm accepting gradual accomplishments a whiz, designing future expansive venture learning together striving, driving brand car frequent visitor of financial centers with ease, admirable attributes beautiful sis in your possession got firm belief, training updating skills continually key to successful life

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Birra

faithful to the origins great one dedicated promoter, lauded affectionately
throughout unique voice delectable, star musician from outset aspiring band
member as teenager, ups downs saddened dad the railroad job commendable,
Awash River pay good soul starved guitar uplift spirit, accordion spurred on
laborer no more true calling appeasing, back at it on stages dedicated performer
path clear cut, Oromigna Harari Somali Afarigna English Spanish delighting,
pinnacle of popularity in hotels Harambee D'Afrique Ras in bands, endowed with
winning personality expression without inhibition, overseas at self imposed exile
reverberating melodious tunes, his passion carried listeners of different cultures
revered icon, stylish dignified principled human right activist stand fair world,
unifying figure rest in peace your absence sorely missed

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Hayzo

Nawa shares same eyes auntie's Kuto's pictures tell, leafing through similarity
struck leaving me in awe, four years five months, child, history came full circle,
September journey ancestors abode stay decisive flow, moved about with ease
bumps of place not problem, Koda Ketsa at disposal to roam bonding with
brothers cousins, noticed physical change as they tossed you from arm to arm,
prize boy in the clan engaging charm magnified presence precious, reminisced
about childhood your granddad not so loud, joggling brought out going about
your business memories abuzz, Kidane Mihret day Boddo Gebeya holiday spirit
you witnessed, draping dinguzza TEMAKESO ceremony evening breeze not a
sneeze, back to city home sweet home that hand gesture touching, KG scholar
life lessons within grasp in abundance keep on enterprising

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Alem

owner of saloon beautifying women lifelong dream, quite a collection look at the
stylish parlour, ready to serve all sorts of customers managing team, notable
changes excelling herself year to year, has knack to gather competent employees
obedient faithful loyal, communication skills settling disputes amazing
charismatic, establishment running smooth in her absence staff handle well,
ambience inviting atmosphere relaxing infectious laughter warming so to speak,
generosity identifying quality giver from the heart, observes what's lacking goes
out on limb to help, outspoken too laced with charm smart way to impart, full of
wisdom comes in handy to navigate relationship, Bossye the girls address you
affectionately, wish you to have a wonderful birthday gratefully

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Chef

far away from home eight months stay family kept at bay, anxiety gnawing the
unknown beckoning blandly embarking, it's over here comes the graduate
triumphant hooray, pleased with herself souriante full of joy back to mothering,
culinary skills sharpened extra knowledge gained experience widened,
partnership with town businessmen gave it her all, backfired ambition curbed
bitter lesson moving on study hard, that small rented room haven peace of mind
unfurl, Mister addressing teacher serious student to be exact, taking notes
cooking lots tasting applying her unique touch, apprenticeship trying relationship
act diplomat earned respect, withstood veteran staff behavior gruff chin up
winner march, farewell party presentation pretty good cheer at training center,
birthday girl let's celebrate more it's the New Year hear hear!

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Dancer

Milestones tons four years and three months old this August, mom speechless
Nawa spewing out insights astounding, quick to grasp digest apply whatever is
on life's plate, manipulates his potential to the fullest amazing being, , appetite
for knowledge insatiable these eyes say it all, doesn't miss a thing storing ability
coupled with agility, full of wisdom little chap delightful always grateful,
appreciative more than ever delivering with admirable velocity, Nawa the sailor
always on the move tirelessly, watching cartoon this minute running to kitchen to
fetch, barging in brothers disrupting scream at him helplessly, conversing with
mom leaving her convulsed in laughter as such, New Year drawing near rainy
season over KG scholar, endless fun session about to lessen back to school hear
hear

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Click

Nebyu came to celebrate sleepover gear complete, saw him sitting composed behind dad carrying backbag, prize guest got royal treatment from everyone present, hugging showering kisses on him squealing overwhelming, sometime Nawa Nebyu Hageru running hard in the yard, screaming top of their lungs ground inconvenience no matter, serious playtime rules of game mustered administered, those amusing action taken from cartoon facing each other, click they did fun unthethered spontaneity infectious gaiety, Nawa fell showed muddied hand soiled pant minor disruption, back at it right after inspection over no room for pity, an accident Hageru slipped crying went to granny to complain, birthday boy extra careful no flat contact with Mother Earth, better venture out of comfortable hearth exercise coming forth

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Debretabor

'exposing yourself to cold! ' mother's duty outweighed his scolding, woke me from deep sleep annoyed beyond measure grumbled, am morning bird had an active night watching tons training, 'come mix the dough! ' Muli hollered am out of bed resigned, to the toilet first blow away cobwebs splash feel fresh, in the kitchen ma bent intent heavy breathing from exertion, eager trooper Hageru peeling onions chatting with relish, holiday joyous day cook away bull by the horn rain or shine, prepare before kids arrival here I join chop vegetable, onion on stove browned and tender lentils boiling yonder, underway let's whett appetite treat self right shiro at disposal, Askale carrying annual treat ate with tea glad you recover, fasting squad from Jemo check ?? ?? ?? ??? ?? ??? ??, lighting ?? singing ??? '???! ???! ' ?? ?? ??? ??? ????

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Koran

highschool girl right after a single phone call, just done with this level sibling at
Patriot county of Prince Williams, congratulations you two we all cheer from here
to Nokesville, July ten Bole 24 Campus Virtual graduation of Gibson School
Systems, Pom got to hear result on the spot standing erect amazing, greeted
teacher said her full name was told the magic number, overwhelmed beyond
measure runned in the yard amusing, niece if you only knew the trouble villagers
put sons of ???, ?????? ???? ??? every summer revered harbingers at ??? ??,
anxious students flock to their abode to find how they fared, National Exam
courtesy of Ministry of Education is a big deal ??, brothers got paid correcting
papers indeed some privilege they had, my treasures Nawa up to Jojo changes
serve as emblem, looking back life journey making me say sands of time

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Achiever

award certificate wrapped gift too loved your new look, prep for finals rather relaxed good for you admirable quality, perceptive trusts intuition manoeuvring education method unique, wishes learning doesn't involve writing leftie nephew cutie, water gun fighter laughing silly in action friends realm, prior the purchase self conscious around audience at science fair, boys will be boys made it obvious drenched top to bottom, scolding of mother didn't mar gripping intense game at field linger, kicking ball favorite watching matches just as much it's clear, new taste World Athletics Oregon highly entertaining, discussion heighten anticipation tighten heart soar siblings roar, expressing joy cheering winners running in living room exercising, responsible still plays great role in raising handful Nawa Highness, I salute you dear Namo kudos on outstanding accomplishments

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Virtuous

emulates parents rank student role model to brothers younger, Natan Fasil
versatile diligent striver on success aisle, disciplined as ever poring over school
work serious scholar, observant alert attendant understands analyzes his
potential, mathematics muscle flex book hunt mother on it so to speak, ventured
out to compete with hundreds platform those schools, Emperor Menelik place
historic locate assigned room auntie frantic, more filtering at Kokebe Tsebah
stake is high appeased the donuts, shapely fingers on piano keys composed aura
so engaging, music teacher at Ethio-Parents inculcating tradition of appreciation,
tunes played liberating impression in children lasting nurturing, talented ones
presentation delighting who gather for celebration, beaming proud parents of
three reaped what they saw today, first born congratulation enjoy year's fruits on
your tray

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Striker

full of sparks keeps everyone in toes just being himself, star of closing day
traditional costume magnified charm, 'I escaped! ' sneaking back to tent Namo
stepped in as bailiff, group song by Pre-kg on stage audience cheered blessing
them, cotton candy no icecream threw tantrum mom didn't give in, moving on
yard at his disposal hello bank people negotiated well, Kitty Cat saving kit under
arm mom once again mom won't listen, upright position on trampoline trickier
sat it out after trial, gave a slip sometime feet in socks shoes in hand returned to
family spot, one look uncontrollable laughter let out incredulous mother,
triumphant Nawa must have felt his way weighed in at last, where was he what
happened who can tell left her to wonder, admit it best performance delivered
unplanned unrehearsed, so be it thrive more to your heart's content grand child

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Fournado

preferences aligned what siblings dig in most regard, Mr. Bean cartoon story of the past keen on those games, incomparable influential Namo leader of a kind like dad, new bond formed extra attention Nati lavished protectiveness, got tired of uniform all time fav spiderman costume, sameness doesn't suit his Highness dims delightful spark, full day in school boring challenges mom frustrating realm, endless debate always sweetness a must attachment tank, requests must be met empathize logic Nawa came up with, whole body is yes imploring drop no in convo completely, more cunning than Namo mother consents such mirth, don't blame you not fun restricting mini adult truly, refined social emotional skills testing limit capability escalate, self sufficient beibg adapt to adversity curb outburst

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Asabi

Let's celebrate your birthdate here's fun sonnet, wiggling out of Ezu's restraining hands intent on blowing candles, party is for ten year olds naughty moment that, four around corner what cartoon character like Sonic consumes, Nawa headed to my room sometime breaking away from group, I alerted Simba too late fast feet woke cousin, dear child felt the absence 'it's time, get up! , Nebyu slept till table was set immune system down, 'let me try it! ' tugging skateboard birthday boy restricted, dad intervened got his way amid protestations, star who stole tender enjoyed himself Simba pushed, adults predicting doom voicing their own fears, Naol above all shine on world is your stage, keep delighting at being yourself licence is courage

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Wise

First born ten big brother to those acting like twin, lording it over them
sometimes playful friend to mom, serious scholar competitive high regard for
education, still loves running throw in football as defender he claim, go on bath
yourself magic number is finally here, critical sibling pointing out changes
exaggeratedly, what a relief puberty knowledge squabble is over, hilarious to
witness mother helpless responding embarrassedly, no worries though still
influential team leader sons follow, birthday boy listens obeys rules
acknowledges restrictions, often challenges tests authority to know what his
confidante allow, curbs himself as an adult would diplomatic tactic he unleashes,
fast learner competent reader fun lover nephew bright chap, blessed be your
path filled with appetite for wisdom to grasp

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Dix

Happy birthday niece of mine Maffy dear, hundred twenty months old it's official, no longer be treated like a child tweener, double digit club welcome beautiful girl, milestones plenty let's present if we must, teenager in training transition to higher stage, practiced self-defense taking class karate, mother coach on life lesson befitting age, cyclist joined women first five kilometres run, side by side cousins showed up at the field, new experience at disposal mingling widen horizon, absorbing engaging in endless fun on the designated road, life journey full of activities navigation made easy, glide through nimble swimmer keep on being breezy

Joyeux anniversaire ma nièce Maffy chérie, cent vingt mois c'est officiel, ne plus être traité comme un enfant tweener, club à deux chiffres accueille une belle fille, jalons beaucoup présentons si nous devons, adolescent en formation passage au stade supérieur, pratiqué l'auto défense en prenant des cours de karaté, mère coach sur la leçon de vie adaptée à l'âge, une cycliste a rejoint les femmes lors de la première course de cinq kilomètres, des cousins côte à côte se sont présentés sur le terrain, absorbant s'engager dans un plaisir sans fin sur la route désignée, parcours de vie plein d'activités navigation facilitée, glissez à travers un nageur agile continuez à être aéré

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Hunter

colorful basket rest on left arm headed to hideout, adorable boy serious at task a decided striver if you ask, mom recounted event Nawa continuous source of amazement, astounding Peter the Hunter turned in more than ten, hark! niece Blen cousins from both sides holiday treat magnified, mingling with lots of children forest like yard came alive, searched in earnest bent on egg shaped chocolates the reward, watched the scene basking in impressive ways how they retrieve, collection inspection entirely up to adults except for one, eager supervisor Maffy leaned on intent both hands on laps, impatient Nawa tried to snatch before count to claim his own, time to sit enjoy harvest crossed legs on green grass, egg hunting day for bonding love all around abounding, big bro Easter gift best reason great memory lasting

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Dané

'my tummy is hurting, ' statement met with awe, admirer top on the list mother dear for sure, babt Nawa is a person unto his right y'know, conversational just being his unique self and more, reminiscing that Saturday UN children race day, brothers cousins run he began dancing on his own, special moves on academy premises at display, goading him on around circle squealing spurred him on, like rock star kept pounding right foot on the ground, head bobbed up and down curly hair glistening, to one side leaned hard wouldn't stop when we said, worn out from exertion session ended baby sleeping, four is near truancy no worries be healthy, develop immune system matching strong personality

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Huit

celebrating at grandparents fasting season of Easter, cousins bustle about in yard
laying out goodies, hides birthday boy patiently await till summoned yonder,
struts out let the party begin pure joy lit face, particular making sure mommy
gets demands right, each item for the big day tumble out hard to keep up, if met
with resistance easy to twist softens her heart, goes to great lengths always
argues bargains tough chap, no means no sorry doesn't work better design some
tactic, leaves her dejectedly laughing gets his way every time, middle child
knows outwits adept at manoeuvring individual track, mamma shakes head
wonders couldn't resist his charm, awesome Nahom cultivate more comes in
handy in social circle, enjoy open arm hugs kisses coming your way from all

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Sheraton

the place to be sophisticated tune domesticated, lose yourself in nature each
plant speak volumes, come one come all every nook crook suit need, pick a day
feed soul worth every second I promise, wowed at each picture members blend
setting accommodate, attire four wore shining bright exuding heartfelt warmth,
chic sportswear accentuated feminine charm at present, her loving partner
adoring mini men posing what infectious mirth, Nawa in particular the star doted
on operates ways delightful, tilting head sharing moments bonding intense just
acknowledge, endowed with engaging quality sift through images tell, standing
out in collection mother son exchange, best versions revealed weekend outing
magnified family album, blessings all around like flowers smiling unit bloom

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Netela

ululate continuously arc passing by at close range, decorated garbs of high priests deacons ringing bells, Nawa family in the midst ceremony fully engage, what went through your head: overwhelming experience, drum beat clapping singing no doubt heart warming, rise and fall of choir melodious tune unforgettable, red carpet on asphalt scene unfolding mesmerizing, procession synchronicity up to a par simply remarkable, Sunny Bunny sought relief hiding behind mom's costume, direct exposure undesirable cover at disposal it's clear, eyes narrowed in funny way to lessen to subsume, bet body welcomed gift of nature which nurture, this Epiphany celebration outdoor on nearby field, precious memory five of you mark among colorful crowd

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Sud

Nawa's bath time preparation always huge affair
plastic container hot water get from shower
baby soap Vaseline hair oil towel clothes keep near
lock the door nobody gets in or out let's be clear
make up your mind before you commit, do you hear?
excitement fills the room time to wash the energetic star
visiting cousins edge forward crowding around drawing near
his brothers those two sometimes join decline at other
the said evening middle one enthusiast in particular
nature call he needed to step out pressing matter
upsetting, grumbling I consented he hurried out with volunteer
real and imagined time wasters drove me to action, I fear
disregarding, 'don't start without us, ' locked the door
baby ready to get in water I peeled away clothes, he's eager
first the feet to gauge the heat he clings to me too much, oh dear
am scrubbing as he's standing unwilling to surrender
gradually he sits playful hands busy scooping water
'mama! ' he cries out my pulling tugging too much to bear
cooing, I resume oblivious to harmful mobile light exposure
Ezu busy intent on recording affected baby's eyes tender
Nawa kept blinking to avoid the intensity I wasn't aware
down memory lane I regress thanks to home screen picture

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Exhale

'first time with my mates at the mall! ' voice full of thrill
'have fun Pom Queen! ' am so glad sis finally gives in
request to be out denied till today, congratulations, girl
two siblings an uncle accompanied indoor games beckon
school rules dictate once in fifteen days boys have crew cut
she tags along mother's appeal didn't make sense doesn't stick
father tease 'this long hair of yours need trimmin' somewhat'
'Aba! I am to play not to have hair cut! ' he naughtily smirk
the pull around the pool most of all fully equipped playground
squealing children lure the ones waiting turn at barber
visit must, hard to resist, tons to choose from mind
boys mainly focus on riding toy cars unlike their sister
Ghion Hotel ideal place out in the open fresh air as you roam
if you ask me technology took over inside mall no room to bloom

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Chill

his response disheartening, 'go get me a glass of water, ' 'chill'
doesn't quench thirst not a bit worsens it as a matter of fact
must have enjoyed reducing me to a begging fool how cruel
made me feel incapacitated every time denying request legit
no priority to my needs hanging out entails being gracious
pardon the intrusion, monsieur, disrupting what you're doing
'over reactor major, drama Queen! here we go again, ' please!
rolling eyes, grimacing, annoying what were you thinking?
put your insensitive self in my shoes distasteful I now know
visitor under scrutiny disgraceful if you ask me, used to stifle
remembering chill down spine as I recall just felt deep furrow
memory still raw, mean man, what exactly was the real deal?
little things mean a lot only it was not, wasted upper hand
climbing those wooden stairs both excited marred, was crude

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Ibid

wounded me whenever you uttered this word smiling and all
you had to pick to prick, in three years stay in the metropolitan
English version sounded playful far from hurtful to be truthful
should have spoken then, not the first nor the last person
threw it on me embellished thus thoughtlessly righteous ones
getting along beneficial no wonder trust non existent my avenue
unique ain't ya? next breath you make no sense are you nuts
unable to cope with my carefree disposition or point of view
more detached by the day anti social by choice, and how!
the odd girl through no fault of mine defensively I plough
no I don't miss interaction seclusion gave me reason to bow
in depth contemplation what goes on in every ancestral bough
it did not define me gave me ground to unravel as I revel in me
mental illness awareness topic household nowadays let's chime

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Dej

Nawi! three years six months old to the day
extra love sending your way on my birthday
morning routine was exactly like this, bairn grand
sweeping the yard listening to school children beyond
I imagined you in the kindergarten classroom
do teachers allow you to unleash your charm
or do as you're told sit still follow the rule
hope fun outweighs the strict schedule of school
explorer, attention span thin energetic at full charge
much going on hard to restrain take on like sponge
auntie's wishes be as you please, like, always!
am the nanny of two years basking in your sweetness
helped in raising alongside your ma learning the rope
studying needs wants everything in between I grasp
preparing formula anxious not to overdo it
at a loss whenever your mom venture out
attuned I became capable no end twosome we formed
mirror time in the bathroom cool interior at hand

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Shema

The Sunday morning open market
by the roadside men of all ages meet
exclusive spot to the weavers
inquisitive? follow me satiate curiosity
they come together with what they created
gabi netela kuta piled over their shoulders
Shiro Meda is the venue to be exact
intense exchange at close range takes place
native tongue blends with the official
music to the ears mesmerizing scene

The Sunday morning open market
has its own unique aura
come close to comprehend
witness how it is conducted
feeling the fabrics studying the tilet
haggling over price bargain picks up pace
business laced with loud raucous laughter
interaction at its best at present
watch the handshake once deal is sealed
warm respectful good sale you can tell

The Sunday morning open market
took on a deeper insight how about that
I imagined the scene at home
selecting what to present
deciding which one brings in good price
the one grit and sweat spent most at
weaver's wife sending off husband
serving her man hearty breakfast
hot steaming cups of coffee
a bit of fresh rue to liven it up
best wishes all the way

The Sunday morning open market

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Shehm

carrying two plastic jerrycans stepped into the yard
hooted in laughter watching him struggle a bit didn't buck
each container weigh twenty five liters of liquid
he glared I protested 'it's not at you but vivid flashback
your sister used to push trolley full of grocery five years ago
out of the mall to the parking lot weekly shopping ticked off
transfers each bag to vehicle arranging carefully am in tow
drives towards abode stops next to apartment building, I huff
carrying goods resumes climbing few steps easy to manage
placing by the elevator locks car right after heaving heavily
press button open sesame back to lifting placing wedge
bend stick close to escalator pick drop quick working swiftly
Eni, that part of life, story of the past, left lessons which last
maturity grant better coping ability, load unfolds in any boat

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Vibrant

progress report this, level he's at for me the best, believe it
take past weekend exchange in living room session such fun
went through Amharic alphabet picture cards just like that
teacher mother delightful Nawa engrossed gave full attention
three weeks attendance at school each day interesting
restless for sure, way out of boredom naughty boy designed
slipped out unnoticed during lunchtime move alarming
extra attention from day on already familiar face in the yard
formed relation made friends but one wrote on Nawa's book
told brothers how he scolded the culprit, incensed still feel
was he the same mate little one wrestled with forgot to ask
heard favorite artist still paint at will free expression and all
adaptive in highest form you possess I confess quality best
every bit you exhibit foundation to thriving life already cement

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Sayat

setting sun illuminated scene at dusk am awestruck
graceful gait captivating typical shepherd in the rural
being one with Mother Earth ultimate gift just bask
told myself blissful state granted the assigned role
young girl untainted oblivious to worldly experience
innocence evident radiance infectious winning charm
every stride pulsating vibrancy filled with buoyance
unreserved energy flowing around open field you roam
tends to animals under care utter devotion no question
full of wisdom close connection interaction granted insight
humble stature impressive natural skill in communication
big hearted obedient serves all at beck and call accepted lot
uplifting drama entertaining social values depicted engaging
life lessons each series speak volumes audience transforming

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Temari

attendance four days as week one unfurl filled with thrill
pictures my sister sent told volumes pleased happy child
among siblings by himself stylish student of preschool cool
holding on slide swinging, riding built in toy at playground
stored physical versus emotional observant of rules the works
missed fifth unwell runny nose nursed pampered staying in
rested Friday weekend Monday holiday revived no worries
easing back after four days reluctant to let go of the free rein
done with packing mother approached, 'let's get you ready, '
'am not going! ' refusal flat out halt no socializing this Tuesday
'I will be out, ' mother tried brothers coaxing Nawa not bendy
'can't go, am sick, ' serious exchange with father didn't sway
a big adjustment from intimate toddler home to a classroom
let's hope he goes back soon better to join children to bloom

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Drill

accidental no doubt brief friendship impression lasting
I often say it, no, I didn't get, 'the drill' how you meant it
mutual friend, the patriot, eighty five year-old young
am appalled son disrespectful witnessed when I visit
veggies we bought livened up as we headed to the house
testing at wording measuring background at each stride
three women from different generation bonded for hours
therapeutic intriguing exchange revealing, wisdom shared
pomegranate took new meaning on talks about daughter
took a task accompanying Emama Asegedech to hospital
eye check up gathering at waiting room precious, I treasure
reminiscing going on basked among the elderly people
memories surface fills heart with gladness lessons sustain
journey of every kind elevates here now gain interpretation

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Student

smiling boy proudly posed presentation aligned to the tone
shirt, blue vest, gray pant the whole lot snugly fit
school logo used as background message take it all in
Eldra Academy the new work place for endless feat
temperament at disposal mother dear have no fear
time to join children drawn whole heartedly to the vibe
every bit I stored so far paid off I belong here, hear hear
am unstoppable I have arrived let's explore expansive hub
skills of interacting, dancing, exercising refined at home
soul food provider granny, aunts prominent support group
cousins best teachers am willful pupil in their classroom
neighbor skud over we ride together on week day trip
years of practice for this readiness thank you mentors
driven with passion absorbed life lessons, hello friends!

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Mingle

this is it day first of the rest of the boy's school taste
dress code freestyle satchel full layback lunchbox dangle
two in uniform, eager preschooler smile winner at his best
pictures conceal well versed in detail how he should roll
onlooker no more joins in mission time already
here they are three attentive musketeers mom in tears
sending off her baby trying to direct the group cheerfully
shepherding chin up behind wheels geared towards service
traffic jam mar the way fix this please Namo implored
trying to dispel restlessness engulfing student crestfallen
finally in the yard each disperse to his class Nawa ushered
liked what he saw toys in abundance smoothened initiation
official name from now on rules to follow to get along better
hope the spark comes in handy key to unlock social behavior

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Simmet

pleasant tour guide influencing nation, a friend, approachable
a stoic in our midst, qualified, well versed in decisive areas
lasting legacy unfolding from the outset deeds tangible
a detailed person leaves no stone unturned, team at service
honors mother, destined to greatness, manifested each step
historical pace setter gracious diplomat, grand, cultured
background lieutenant colonel unquestionable leadership
mates favor, high regard bestowed upon their anger curbed
supporters in millions pledge believed in collective synergy
showing possibilities think organize discuss evaluate execute
rich heritage foundational for progress invested in its analogy
persuasive presents pros and cons strives on utmost earnest
congratulations, charming one, witty full of wisdom, mediator
gratitude fills my heart when I say you are the Premier!

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Dhuffu

Nawa's request right after the singsong greeting
doesn't matter whoever at the other end adult or child
mini man concern going out staying in less appealing
'limta? ' insistent longing rising intonation embedded
baby watches morning activity perks up eager to leave
summer class on certain days disconcerting absence
brothers depart mother resort to cuddling her heart heave
arguments subside guilt ridden goes after she appeases
everyone desert smart pant came up with a plan
demands he joins brothers to school how cool
retells all the things Namo told uplifting pictures of education
regular lessons paid off coach often drums into scholar loyal
time to enroll academic year drawing near dear, be brave
wishing you all the best Nawa smart make your move

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En Caul

fully enclosed actually veiled believed sign of good luck, hark
'he was covered in Kirtas greatness guaranteed, ' granny says
sheltered world appearance 'a phenomenon, ' absolute magic
fascinating coming out still intact what a spectacular entrance
such awe laced with thrill you mingle surpassing expectation
came out sealed protected cold air missed chance to flutter
no need to shrill for a change enjoying comfortable haven
unique arrival the spontaneity leaves one in wonder
marvel at mother nature divine intervention in the midst
delivery extra special gift wrapping natural bubble soothing
reception sensational once in a lifetime unforgettable event
exaggerated versions of anecdotes recounted mind boggling
took two digit to understand the rare occurrence en caul
happy tenth birthday, precious Abel, the miraculous bundle

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Nayto

second day of the new year children dashed in first
adults trailed behind, welcoming grandparents yard
hailing in season reason, top it up celebrate birthdate
both were bore three days apart click in most regard
lunch was over kids gather got to work not a day for game
brainstorm session preparation honor mothers in style
mysterious beckoned one by one to say our say in a room
signed the cards best wishes for the special girls roll
party time bustling children decorating expertise witness
laid out table filled with goodies mouth watering display
group pictures fun exchanges face creased with smiles
served all around speech each delivered won the day
heartwarming feat brightening the holiday teaming up, unfolding worth present
blooming potential within grasp

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Preschooler

Naol mother's alarm bell remarkable personality enthrall
has an astounding insight perceptive of what goes on around
these qualities inflective, expressive, interactive come natural
capability overwhelm siblings, grumbling they would respond
mobility ability amazing indeed busy bee working those feet
tirelessly moves spot to spot every corner at your service
brothers scream to be heard toddler focuses on his want
asserts self resists restrictions he's full of confidence
no more onlooker time to carry satchel time for schooling
week day frenzy join in the fun participate in morning routine
mom fix lunch box fill water bottle dad behind wheel awaiting
hop in crying days are over step up to pedestal kindergarten
may home away home be rewarding experience, eager dear
land on cushion befit disposition beneficial to thriving together

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Ifa

son, got a friend in me convo strengthens bond
I miss caring for you at close range this past trying year
feeding, bathing, taking walks in the neighborhood
times we spent together memories to treasure forever
since your wonderful advent, night vigil letting mom rest
measuring baby formula right away at the first cry
feeding bottle watching content countenance melt heart
diaper change routine perfected regular practice pay
everyday full of lessons got used to new lifestyle
serene baby eased me to fatherhood effortlessly
to attune to your habits developed intuitive skill
intense emotions experienced worth it, honestly
blessed proud parents say, happy fourth birthday!
energetic charming cherub enjoy life your own way

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Brhane

'respected regalia in grade eight? ' grandpa indignant
'back in the days prerequisite twenty five years of education
allowed to see gown eve of graduation, worth the wait'
explained hard work symbolical value contained within
'second time! remember kindergarten? ' oblivious to distress
students pictures respective names echoed announcer
Uncle Bruck, 'ceremony before exam result make no sense'
time to celebrate happiness knew no bound, nephew dear
alma mater instrumental at live event playing consistently
'Gibson Youth Academy! we're growing we're changing,
day by day, that's how it should be! ' soul food to family
image of Simba loomed on screen we cheered hugging
kind mediator lavishing love all around how infectious
am appreciative nourishing quality bestows value on others

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Borsa

Pom livened up Buhe holiday presenting unique touch
doled out sealed cookie delicious delicacy all around
at grandparents munch away appreciative of taste rich
all that inside small girly bag no doubt roomy indeed
acting mom this Filseta niece took role extra mile
similar to mother in most regard fills the gaping gap
full of applicable ideas adept at pulling potential
experimenting taking on heavy duties stored resource tap
smooth running of daily life synchronized skill to boot
scheduled time to cook bake clean wash watch show
attend church stop for bite in piazza father's treat
unwind in style dip in indoor pool brothers in tow
refined young responsible woman grows wings of her own
may you overcome life challenges be best universal citizen

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Commencement

Dear Mrs. Gibson! am glad you weren't present at event
those dear boys showed up as bearded afro guys
trending style leaves no trace of cuteness, it's absent
I miss crew cut sharp look of uniformed students
Informatics College candidates on live transmission
turning of tassel precious moment of the graduate
laughing heartily Jojo and Kibur loomed on screen
all around frantic bustle hand shift tassel right to left
watching I thought is world adult magnetic measure
better ease into it at timely call professional circle
once youth crossed no room to unwind at leisure
workplace etiquette overtake seriousness settle for real
create future suits carefree nature design unique dream
grow wing have license to live life on your own term

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Grand

project major kept awake mother, our dear sister
preparation for celebration of first born graduation
legendary university at father's birthplace at boy's favor
packing before online booking, mapped out destination
designated chauffeur behind wheels bobbing her braid
chatting incessantly four passenger headed to the airport
pictures forwarded exhibited how each elegantly attired
majestic queen radiates between brothers on backseat
pictures of charming nephew tell the plane at his disposal
instant update mused fondly keen teen busy documenting
niece called before takeoff in her voice easy to detect thrill
judging her whispering anticipation must be overwhelming
graduate, I salute you! closing this chapter with success
flourish abundantly, thrive in accomplishment with grace

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Emnet

fifty mothers shared stories for kids in a book form
we sauntered to table browsing through the pile
drawn to display little one his inquisitive eyes roam
sharp antenna at work unquenchable bubble
readily satiate Nawa's palate responsive gracious woman
he grabbed one Amharic letter I tried to extricate
'it's alright' she gave him green light he carried on
bent to ask scene turned to teacher student moment
siblings shopping reason for outing resort to watching
stole the show quick to adapt bounding energy surge
takes himself seriously mingles effortlessly stop restraining
reciprocates as tuned to exchange such coordinated charge
promoting reading rainy season fertile room to explore
goldmine for wisdom may gratitude reach organizer

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Fruit

my boys milestone lauded achievement outstanding indeed
academic year complete with flying colors let's celebrate
recognition at award ceremony spoke volumes to gathered
primary to high school each student owner of unique talent
educated parents invested time attention eased transition
Nati claim limelight as it is his right, used to scoring high
always strove for more, engaged in fierce competition
game on challenge won mates in class outside at play
Namo, hero! gone are those carefree kindergarten days
wrestling adorned teachers distressed pandemic bore
stay at home heavily weighed developed a range of skills
earned today's stage that quiet scholar with his big brother
electrifying energy here vivid flashback unexpectedly kick
masked sat back beaming as I bask in turn memory lane took

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Post

I ride my bike on the way to work
'place must be far then, ' 'no, it is not,
three minutes tops, ' 'why don't you walk? '
season hot restrict movement vehicle convenient
searched around the neighborhood landed good
granted access online joined force for real
hourly pay not bad for such young lad
value on self, shot up! new costume, responsible
melting pot exposure without measure
am grateful effortlessly eased to daily rhythm
watch me thrive, mingle, slide, no fear
paycheck clenched full fledged employee, I am!
eye opening interaction at disposal facing challenge
gaining momentum as ride heightens with courage

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Empire

at this stage where I am at let's evaluate
reflecting on the winding routes I took
in most regards am content glad to report
time to celebrate birthday take a step back
building for years literally figuratively
as a son, brother, father, entrepreneur
showers of blessings paved way clearly
self worth tangible grateful to Maker
interaction surpass preparation so I level up
inheritance from parents experience rescues
especially genuine approach enrich filling the gap
leadership qualities put to test on daily basis
I herald triumphantly diligent learner who strive
work in progress budding legacy am appreciative

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Bind

weathered lockdown past year head spinning
power within unleashed potential surface embrace
seamlessly not, far from it, winning resilience
three children under care each unique needs wants
coaching mom spiraling thoughts often fretting
boys miss out school experience she felt inadequate
reliable family man sustaining, dispel fears at all times
couple conversation at table involve school printout
upstairs mini classroom of sort makeshift impressive
board, markers, duster, two scholars enthusiastic
replicate teachers how exhausting result productive
transformational experience unfolding relationship fantastic
juggling routines interesting, adjustments every second
major beneficial, workspace invader, the two year old

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Treasure

Happy Birthday to you, young lady!
countdown has come to an end
this is it celebrate event grand
time to step into womanhood
thirteen years old bold proud
beautiful assertive in full command
two brothers to boss around
intensive life lessons continuously drummed
extent of acquired knowledge attested
quick learner application magnified
remarkable impressive stand

took after your mom in most regards
stylish no doubt owning unique flounces
at parties holidays family gatherings outings
presentation sensational, appreciation flows
engaging aura presence in our midst exudes
hidden essence emanating deep within surfaces
no need to shy away from limelight just embrace

cook away for the festivity
watching cooking shows frequently
posting dishes favored weekly
baking skill refined I noted recently
can't wait to taste day's specialty

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Energetic Nawa

Nawa is three years and one month old
last Monday far from fun day so sad
delight having them soon replaced
endless complaints from my end
Baby was a handful running around
jumping in puddles of water in the yard
shoes feet shorts dirtied indeed
wished I hadn't but scolded
enjoying himself and I disapproved?
I do let you be yourself, right lad?
what changed?
tons of restrictions unfold
was it because I was engaged?
baking injera frustrated distracted
'oh behave, you three! ' I screamed
one time Nawa's fingers rested
the laptop keys he pressed hard
his grandpa's warnings he ignored
drawn to the computer at hand
'it's Emy's, ' didn't care didn't mind
here there busy little fingers roamed
watched him in amazement then hooted!
lightening up grandpa's eyes twinkled
naughty baby could you please respond
getting your way always feels so good?
forbidding doesn't make sense understand!

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Kokeb

hark! don't hesitate to elect prospective graduate
he hits two decade plus two years, congratulations
eleven devoted followers at his service, no complaint
he's their leader by default grand in their eyes
Namo Nati believe when they finish high school
hero created position day he left to pursue education
don't doubt it's Gonder University they eventually enroll
fly all the way there too just like their favorite cousin
Abelo obsessed on teenagers few years back
everything they did intrigued filled up his world
Jojo fitted image no question kid record track
watched AIS students at field, live action unfold
each family member special regard bestow, victorious dear
elevate status, upgrade entitled role strive for more

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Super

Nawa genius am envious being yourself so effortless
conversing in languages expressive skills impressive
curiosity at its finest keeping everyone in toes
each day filled with tons of actions world expansive
getting your way no matter what, restrict me not
intrigued mom racks her brain to cope challenging realm
dimension you take her to unlike she has ever seen, ain't it?
unique ways surpass siblings form, invent new mechanism
in control enacts what goes on seriousness melts heart
demands instant gratification right after request is uttered
winning charm interwoven in complexities now and then
center at all times everyone attentive at your command
party time let's celebrate happy third birthday!
best of wishes from all of us coming your way!

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Graduate

congratulations on your success sister master holder
online learning came to an end flying colors tied all round
my daughter the winner demands unfetter said proud mother
tons of responsibilities juggling work wise zooming beyond
caring for self mask on first service to others next
partner such a dear dependable tuned to moods of wife
wide shoulders she leaned on sought advice with respect
be it education office situation discipline children family life
staying at home extra large duties for each member emerge
new normal unleashed admirable strength hidden beneath
supervision consistent, no excuse, present, in charge
throw in gardening bit of knitting unwind exhale breathe
take stock of this, time to celebrate, house pulse regulator
versions of you unfolding year to year expand more, scholar!

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Rank

Namo stood third astounding news I heard
credit goes to two! his mom big brother Natan
most of all, little Nawa, looks up to him indeed
success at school birthed last year, no question
Namo, storyteller, embarked on important task
few months old baby under wing from outset
drawn into brother's world bonding at work
rewarding to both, family gradually witness effect
would rank show Namo's progress to life lessons
homeschool virtual let's be real sustainable
gives room to groom kids learn responsibilities
gateway to life journey refines interaction skill
self worth revealed quirks intact, trait unique
congrats dear nephew time to shine, you rock

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Legend

grandma, your absence left such void in my heart
past the barking dogs we stepped into the yard
saw your hut you used to sit at a spot knees bent
missed your presence in everything, Abayeto, grand
kept hearing distinct voice whenever you converse
unhurried taking time to speak reflective solemn
acknowledging each one gifting name which befits
adults children surround basking in expansive wisdom
composed at peace remarkable aura of you shine
showering words of gratitude as you put incense on fire
thankfulness expressed eulogizing ancestors long gone
past and present blend listening to you, the mediator
deserved rest no doubt left memories which distinguish
treasures you possess naturally life lessons to cherish

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Joel

my firstborn reason who eased me to motherhood
caring each waking day whole new world to cruise
taught me immense patience journey guaranteed
this threshold you're at gateway to your own path
here I impart, my dear son, accumulated so far
it's time to advance trust in your unique grace
evolve bit by bit navigate life course like sailor
listen to your heart, value feelings and emotions
thrive in knowledge handy in decision making
dad at close range role model at excelling self
cornerstones he stepped on you grew up watching
foundation to soar skill sets to anchor which engulf
universe at your service explore considerately
encourage others be advocate of humanity graciously

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Fasil Fasika

brothers at school mom and I inseparable
every other day they play with me watch film
enjoyed life to the fullest happiness incomparable
these blissful months came to a halt so grim
Easter holiday cooking much bustling ensued
mom fully engaged no time to spare, please stop
'come, sit, let's chat like before! ' begging disregarded
rushing past to this and that spot can't keep up
daddy joined, worked in the kitchen so strange
parents liaison meant no room for children?
three brothers by ourselves undesirable change
not much work am sure be with us take turn
nine years ago just the two as a family unit in nest
this celebration granted togetherness a special treat

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Niece

it is that special day, sunshine, oh what a joy!
Happy ninth birthday to you, Maffy dear!
auntie sends love, kisses, hugs your way,
niece radiant! infectious laughter rings afar,
independent, remarkable, stylish, adorable tween
so close to the first decade bye bye childhood
well developed sense of humor, precious one,
best for genuine connection self esteem at hand,
well-mannered, exemplary life lesson you possess
people around thrive basking in your charm
courageous goddess! the leader quality key to success
serious scholar attentive parents diligently groom,
Easter gift, cherished, the world at your disposal
explore to your heart's content, adventurous girl!

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Fasika

Easter Sunday breakfast mother to be in the house
glowing, moving about with effort close to due date
husband took to hospital delivery instantaneous
Tuesday after midnight two o'clock to be exact
cuz Ezu marveled baby's presence intrigued
mother wreathed in smiles, 'came out of my womb'
regarded him curiously awe struck indeed
this miniature in the midst hard to absorb
probing questions ensued eyes riveted in wonder
gave a start crying sound induced reaction genuine
crowding members broke out in such a good cheer
unfettered amazement consumed resumed contemplation
celebration annual coincide mostly listen birthday boy
significant holiday Fasika! Eureka! let's feast away

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Adept

warm congratulatory remark sending your way
a year's confinement elevated self worth
took the plunge unprecedented without delay
stage you're at blooming thriving strength
dear sister on the verge to passionately surge
more commitment at disposal defining refining
agreeable suitable dependable in charge
becoming, facing uncertain times adjusting
untapped potential surfaced leapt swept
unexpected move stunned value revealed
unleashed hidden treasure hear hear, checkmate
urgent commotion sudden decision overwhelmed
cross over triumphant it is time to celebrate, come on
show what you're made of new adventure beckon

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Brother Dear

Dejach Wube Sefer where the accident occur
running with agemates slippd missed his footing
tumbled down landed hard shocked neighbors gather
judging from the fall most believed you joined maker
we still commemorate annually rather fondly
'Sister Amele my savior prizing my mouth open! '
thirty four years we talk about her gratefully!
Abi in charge took to hospital so doctors examine
'Why did Altayu broke an egg at scene of incident? '
couldn't find the hidden meaning symbolical for sure
well wishers all children flocked carrying present
Michael brought five pasties touching gesture!
the village people we mentioned by name bless them
sense of belongingness we had glory to Medhanyalem

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Pomche

matching sportswear violet, charismatic alluring ladies!
mini version with fair complexion, sweet niece
all grown up stance budding gives off feminine aura
personal trainer, stylish graceful mom, at your service
sliding effortlessly watching learning applying hang on
what's the rush, little girl? take it slow enjoy the flow
have fun all you like, impatient tween, while you can
more precious memories to treasure, don't you know
threshold this accumulate carefree days in store
no going back once middle childhood crossed it's official
unreserved energy abounding joy make believe plays
as big sis bossy arguing having hilarious squabble
new normal transformation incredible am so appreciative
creative already communicate refine relation effective

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Visitors

surgery a success am a grateful patient!
I wanted to have peace and quiet
mom and sister disregarded all that
absence of best interest at heart
they went to great lengths to disseminate
focused mainly on telling my predicament
visitors of all ages flocked in earnest
company reduces anxiety, I didn't feel it
filing into the room whole day, inconsiderate
suffocating, depriving privacy, get them out
body temperature rose towards the night
'too many people, ' nurses stated. ain't it late?
removed hurriedly blanket, bed cover the lot
looked at them inquisitively baffled by the act
to bring down fever chose an injection site
left thigh excruciating pain! wrong spot?
distressing experience, for days, it hurt!
security staff I heard later, used to restrict
what experience exactly made them lenient?
people come and go as they please, no respect
leisurely cruising through from this floor to next
having merry time on hospital corridors have merit?
some visitors showed reluctance to step out
as duty doctors came to check on the patient

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Lifeline

the ambulance heading to blood bank, imagine
driving through heavy traffic with or without siren
no car makes way let alone slow down
drivers so wrapped up in indifference common
people! vehicle is dispatched on important mission
to get blood for patients, I being the one
wait a minute!
days ago would have gladly gone
why the sudden appreciation
what changed?
big brother's intervention?
if you ask me it was more of confrontation
'it's obvious you're suffering. pale complexion!
you move about with such slow motion
mom said bleeding has worsened, a bad turn
why did you refuse to see your surgeon?
what's the real deal?
do you think you are forgotten?
are you playing victim rather than seeking solution?
stop this! have a serious self talk. Question
there are facts of life beyond explanation
see here, all that is required of you is listen
you just do the right thing without opposition
everybody is worried about your situation'

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Hospital

okay, what's this called then
the turbulence racking my brain
don't tell me it's the hospital bed am on
it does feel strange to sit down
in a room waiting for the unknown
let's go over list of my outrageous concern
will I get out of this surgery alive? come on!
am I just to brush off stories from back when?
a guy felt unwell decided to seek medical attention
wasn't that sick drove off on his own
next thing you hear, he's dead and gone
am regarding everything with suspicion
dare to tell me all materials squeaky clean?
in my case anything could happen
compatibility testing activated wild imagination
ah, there are requirements just like relation?
blood samples of donor recipient collaboration
what if there occurs a mix up in between
don't be ridiculous, you say, just listen
such warmth I used to feel during blood donation
am not saying my body temperature risen!
taking part in life saving operation
deed humbles if you care to learn
strong appreciation for connection
watching in fascination as blood leave my vein
passing through the attached tube no obstruction
into the plastic bag enters in
amazing how blood sails on
oozing out in yielding fashion
tagged tabbed sorted stored to be given
it is guarded like precious stone
now lying here as a recipient turmoil within
donor can't be in perfect health, I reckon
no one is these days!
I worry about complication
some disease undetected sure to pass on
there's no such thing as flawless purification
lab technicians can only do so much at extraction
oh, I shouldn't have been left alone

unruly thoughts clouding sense of reason
a psychiatrist's presence to dispel appreciation
desirable tone setting in preparation

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Gardener

dunks jug inside pail drew water stood upright
goes to each bucket pouring in such concentration
children busy scrubbing to remove residue of paint
two-year old serving energetically amazing interaction
'enough already! stop, Nawa! ' everybody screamed
unfazed by protestations carried on splashing
pots clean ready to be used as containers of seed
remember educational theme for the day planting
marching soldiers head to the sack to take soil
diversion timely water boy embraced change
little adept hands resorted to scooping to fill
baby holds his own found it easy to manage
squealing in delight as mother hosed them down
dripping wet heaving with laughter priceless fun

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Soar

month last sisters part of transformational event
setting differ didn't deter Becoming Unstoppable
lucky for her among guests zoomed in first, favorite
nuggets flowed in hundreds for hours what a thrill
Believe It more bonding exchanging audio sharing
husband bought chronicle coincidence miracle indeed
possession of book rewarding horizon widening
reflection on life lessons priceless mull over hard
insights knocking core analyzing endless task
connection to self members close beyond bubble too
marvel at leisure full of treasure fill up wisdom sack
explore field of relationship gauge how you grew
journey towards Knowledge Industry within reach
kindred spirits here we march light the torch!

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Adorable

sat on stairs bent neck hands on chubby cheek
started crying in spurts squirts out like sneeze
alarmed approached what's wrong, dear one, I ask
wondering why heart wrenching state the kid chose
missed his cousins already naughty game disruptive
group adjusts rules now and then consents to appease
to avoid terrible temper let's him be manipulative
antagonized in anyway he's sure to erase smooth
he's life of the party no denying this appealing trait
engaging fully taking over boisterous fetching charm
they enjoy him at his best carefree bounding about
squealing delightfully taking level to heights extreme
separation anxiety your mother refer to strong emotion
thrives in company, magnificent Namo! people person

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Mechanic

school is out two months season rainy stay home not
father insist toughen up, son, grit pays in future academics
your calling fixing cars interest absent men at garage alter maturity
level of the boy hear hear wearing overall size large turn one a
mini grown up
deafening noise clanging tools loud voice laughter ringing
siblings on the way to the Buhe Bakery made a stop
ever present smell burnt oil grease on hands clinging
habits acquired some constructive others didn't fit teen
buying these outrageous leather boots with heel
must have enjoyed sound on ground then I reckon
loved picture at establishment even teeth winning smile
looking back on the days, big brother, you were our hero
source of joy delighting members who intently follow

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Michael

cheering from every side to bearded man on horseback he beamed full of
love connection genuine evident 'go around statue one last time'
pointed at Emperor Menelik time to march to the Adwa Bridge got what he meant
 'popular! everyone knows him' perceptive nephew Ezana his
mom, 'a talented famous actor in films on theatre stage' version present at
square proud patriot son of Ethiopia historical celebration organizer owns
heritage impact huge became distinct voice passionate devotion powerful
role blended with personality obvious purpose driven
Adwa teachings won hearts father's name symbolical
Michael befitting wise parents religious devout Christian
freedom, sovereignty, equality for all Empress Taytu shining
lessons retained most due respect for human being

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Success

patient tower of strength in my journey paving path
watching what you do storing life lessons millions devoted scholar
observant as I developed self worth point of reference, you,
mother love respect always grew wings with confidence off to a
strange city overcoming campus challenges being my own
person despite distance all members believed in my capacity
 flying colors joined work force hello metropolitan responsible
daughter side business horizon wide negotiation skill refined
interaction took a notch siblings their families the intricacies
exploring the island new social status room for growth
inch by inch stretch mothering wonderful son nothing stage charge
 nurturing self relation with others source of change

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Pool

loved it here sipping margarita slowly
am appreciative gratitude filled insides
at five the sun seeped deep tentatively
playful trees whisper tickle from distance
gracious waiter suggest pool at disposal
giggling looked at water informed non swimmer
pictures then with pleasure closer let me kneel
dip hand scoop liquid let carouse through finger
sensational whatever happen to us without it
exactly Muli bow down to mother nature pay homage
all snapshots rejuvenate every time as if present
I became one entwined conformity easy to gauge
customers lounging at different spot moderately buzz
respite begotten shades haven hot weather impose

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Winners

Abe done for the day beckoned off we go
spotted the athletes stretching around gate
focused on body works can tell immersed so
nap energised deserved rest fatigue non existent
queried reason exploring by way of excursion
shouldn't venture out warned as we passed
driving force visible professionals needed to win
legend's invitation to marathon meant the world
am in all for adventure platform my license
befriend enrich experience memories everlasting
join us met with incredulity you are not serious
inbuilt disapproval evident captured it clicking
healthy look at peace with self this picture prove
shimmering sun engulfed athletes from above

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Star

first impressions last defiant adamant women
men front line chain of security nudged implored
nothing to do with equality understand pipe down
outrageous crowd resisted slowly surged forward
agitated athlete tugged hard at the official attire
suitable or not run in it better idea not present
observant take it easy one close by told her
reaction unnerved retreated did wish her best
deafening noise shouldered my way through
reflected on high emotion once at the back
fun runner don't forget your pace rings true
competition of any sort fails to draw spark
still hear excitement of thousands participants
proudly coming together on field independence

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Alisa

checking in tedious filling out hotel forms
rapport team staff no chemistry
worn out famished was it only me wonders
restless at a loss looked on scene resignedly
excused to restroom attention! adorned hallway
mobile handy it's kodak time! have fun click
drew so close toothpick guy passing by why
took phone gesticulated paintings at my back
readily posed wreathed in smiles gloom vanished
snapped away I was noisy like child he was not
would have loved what went through his head
returned to serious group uplifted shift evident
little things weigh tons big ones not as much
flight delay, interaction outcome beyond reach

monotonous

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Accra

safe landing same continent western part
emerged out blazing sun collision minor reaction
legend, entourage welcomed dancers ululate
flower necklace we all lit up at royal reception
close range encounter guest of honor my treasure
bold enough touch cheeks with heartfelt warmth
exchange insight looked at flag on mast up there
high ranking split team sat waited for release
traditional dresses own women livened up the stay
main course for discourse picture taking of course
screening over possible to mingle make way
boarded designated van wore men out with questions
contact therapeutic fatigue deserted historical ground
at the square joyously declared presence as I twirled

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Exalt

appreciative being expressed precious moment inquisitive eyes acute
awareness unleashed looked at the pictures forwarded got how
you felt connected with nature proudly noted as I
listened mom often reports distinctive state in detail
 awe overwhelming basks in your greatness way
you conduct self, little big, simply remarkable God endowed with
brains, expansive, wit, intelligence watches attentive absorbs brothers
chatter unfetter trees flooded with sunlight impression kick quick
admiration put to words to mom effortless manner heed
imagination magnified heightened chord struck abound baby boy!
source of delight! happy birthday
exercise uniqueness everyday uninhibited in anyway

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Captain

Tony Robbins! Here I am at the threshold
days journey overwhelmed core values
lessons everything communicated
encompassing grace bliss
accumulating analyzing storing
kept at bay as notes piled up
unlimited capacity unfolding
disempowering habits shifted lost prop
in awe conflicted during intervention
reunited my heart raced in stark lack
sown path ahead you smoothen
opportunity beckon take a risk
guide! next to family
I am a source ready to share universally

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five
transforming
basking in your
am a devotee
triggered thoughts
willpower activated
layers of
watched you
as couple
response ability
surrender be open
mentor favorite! my



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Jovial

sense of doom rug pulled under I went extreme
irreplaceable for everyone you're always there
worrying about us in pain how did you do it mom?
gratitude fills my heart the worst is finally over
what's the bond we share it's so complex
I don't like some of the ways you hate mine
am hopelessly attached same time digress
is that all there is present unanswered question
if I could sum up our journey together in brief
second note why bother to calculate
endeavor comparing myself
life unfolds taking its course so be it
commander in chief, my world
each in your island

on
inadequacy futile

sixty six
tower of strength to

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Gem Sonnet

remarkable flamboyance charming one delightful blooming by day
notable way stunning change exuberant through and through Caleb dear
amiable unabashedly claim spot fit for adult stage virtual
world widened outlook new height tons of platform gave room
as growth sink resourceful sibling gained momentum abode
perfect synchronized with real task watch him work mother
marvel dotes on devoted follower of hers shouldering responsibility head
on no fear cares for everyone bask in his service
 exudes confidence solid presence as he tower only fifteen
middle child thrive more lad life lessons piled up in folds at
your command

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Hidar Sonnet

permission granted I heard swept the yard, they will be here there's no doubt
you hear, he showed up no siblings in sight am baffled, conspired they did hid
themselves behind car, eyes widened they materialized am ecstatic, couldn't
scold for prank resigned to chat, got you good they gloated distasteful tack,
granny entertained till my intention laid out, stay had tons of twists first turn
slippery, protested seeing me engrossed in reading blog, fought for attention
came to decision with three, fun began when two sat down brainstorming,
expressed impressions on different topics seriously, that's the way auntie's
birthday celebrated accordingly

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Share Sonnet

birthday gift weekend sleepover aunt request, three brothers pyjama slippers
extra clothes, milk in bottles for baby the whole set, mom split fast boys are off
her hands, granny was out disappointed sought to fill gap, being pampered their
right when she's around, resigned played football tried to keep spirit up,
backfired hard disruptive infant demanded stand, life of the party still Nawi
naughty awesome, he's everywhere roaming the yard energetically, gets in the
way annoyed siblings scream, did they stop treating him nicely eagerly, love
whatever you do my source of joy, we sharesame birth date let's enjoy

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Ezu

youngest of siblings am eleven in grade five, united with friends so happy school reopened, halt temperature check at the gate behave, heavy restrictions laid for the common good, dab hands using sanitizer major safety measure, wear mask at all times strange discourse, no more closed doors let in fresh air at leisure, spread of Corona virus kept at bay ofcourse, I miss playing football at the field for real, most outdoor games banned to lessen risk, do not be hot comply with new protocol, muffled voice doesn't sound nice if you ask, still I prefer giggling with age mates regularly, this is how conscious living exercised daily

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Kibret

son of Demis grandchild to Dagnachew it's time, the annual celebration of Saint Michael's day is here, feeding the needy heartfelt duty in your father's name, commemorating consistently at both places each year, provision form differ dictated by standard of living, at birthplace siblings relatives gather to feast, designated place is church all had hand in building, children inherit devotion to service no doubt, good deed exercised witnessed at close range, develops gradually internalized in course of life, mother from this end involves transitioning to stage, nurturing prominent trait gratitude to revel best self, offspring learn lessons from stories parents told, sustaining most doing incomparable guarantor of stronghold

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Precious

every waking hour serving four boys punctuated, at five reads discusses with
senior the soulmate, recapping as well as designing the day ahead, sends off
brimming love mind and body content, back in bed to sleep or resort to self
analyze, if star of the house stirs magnifies routine, opens eyes snuggles close to
mother intention verbalize, bubbling baby at all times demands attention, noise
rouse next one hastens to join group, middle child critical beguiles her breath
away, in this room first born last to get up, siblings call out for him insistent cry,
blessed daughter celebrate you're blooming leader, thrive in every sense
energized as they clamor

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Tikemt Sonnet

Nawi here open gate for mother's car, laying back comfortably on brother's laps,
ride lulls to sleep whirring like purr, engine stops he wakes alert in seconds, eyes
lit wits about in an instant, crowd around scoop him swooping down, doesn't
mind being held first enjoys it, wriggles free off he goes on his own, curiosity
heightened runs wild in yard, keep up be sure he's out of harm's way, restriction
uncalled restraining no need, baby roams all over plenty play, grandchild best
everything you do interesting, am amazed witnessing change astounding.

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Devolve Sonnet

thrown into a platform unfitting, pure luck to be at coveted place, applauds
society high regard schooling, confusing every direction being in campus, defiant
parent argued suitable age, courage needed to succeed he goaded, no prior prep
brought up to stage, lost suffered most identity suppressed, aversion ruled
means hard to cope, going through the motions missed prime, years passed
failures piled faded hope, waited in vain illusive right time, learned the hard way
different outlook, teaching uncovered hidden potential knock

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Opt Sonnet

venture into the familiar brother, different setting country theme same, serve
hand and foot clients gather, the new normal though change game, design extra
product service safe, build trust nose mouth hand covered, exclusive for hospitals
or conceal self, caution disregarded be termed wild, theatre real imagined inside
converge, supervise stand human relation customize, seek firm hold precarious
this stage, manage expertly extract wisdom yours, be ready to learn as path
unfolds

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Great Sonnet

zoomer! recreating yourself indoors, successful businessman on the making,
valuing money has its rewards, acquire more skills keep on learning, amazing
story told imagination roared, passion communicated made me glow, likes
dislikes revealed wishes embedded, thoughts expressed well smooth flow,
unreserved energy out intention set, come face to face surely doubt diffuse,
adventurous boy use charm to the fullest, bask in it giddily it's hard to refuse,
remember delighting people feels dandy, real life lesson comes in handy

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Raw Sonnet

little fingers hold crayon firmly, giving house new look corner to corner, baby engaged in writing spree gleefully, don't try to interpret song, art, you hear? brothers homeschooled sit to work, guess who shows up on the table, snatches materials disrupts their task, forbidding is no use it is futile, whatever siblings do Baby assigns himself, does it better makes his own rules, who needs papers wall handy to triumph, unleash to your content freely express, leaving mark at this early age, am thrilled you own unique stage!

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Nawa Sonnet

it's mis morning time to nap, television mute brothers quiet, exchange in whisper
or just stop, junior master needs his rest, he is up everyone make way, all over
the place within seconds, mingles fast takes over the play, contained energy
released in abundance, from mouth tons of demands ooze, which to tend first to
suit the roamer, persuade to feed distract with ease, outsmart present offer on
platter, keeps you on toes enjoy his world, such is a life of a two year old

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Athlete Sonnet

looking back shining on the track, great it felt to work my feet, cheering mates
kept spirit in check, beaming coach made me favorite, physical education
Freshman year, running lesson conducted on serious tone, geared up we gather
during first semester, that day though was a lotta fun, body hugging outfit
played role, agility I assumed flew liberated, excitement soared was such thrill,
with all my might I sprinted, unforgettable spectacle of myself, memories of the
past am fond of

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Yeneta Sonnet

heard through speaker told in the yard, to the tree to get wisdom traditional,
away from puppies kids I dragged, association at close range doesn't appeal,
Yeneta all geared up voice rang out, parents with children sat on benches,
attentive earnestly repeat Amharic alphabet, joined in something about chants,
music to ears turns one into captive, sometime later called on volunteer, rose
took over I watched appreciative, poised fidel raised sebez pointer, value what's
handed down dear boy, eleven year old today Happy Birthday!

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Knead Sonnet

decorated utensils made of clay, crafts women beckoned kids joined in, regarded
item on shelf on display, both eager to have their own, possible to create on the
spot, total immersion once you get dough, chose coffee pot Pom to invent, Ezu
settled for vehicle distracted though, caught by football going at the field, half
way through deserted unfinished car, woman turned it into ball dismayed, shape
of lip here sis got better, each one has special presence, I thank God for your
existence

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Bazaar Sonnet

perched on dressed up horse back, guide walks you at basketball court,
wonderful sis by your side filming her task, not only that asked how it felt, both
enjoyed jumping on trampoline, excursion taken first prior to riding, squealing
unfazed by blazing sun, bickered hard what next done bouncing, soft spot I have
for him she knows, gave in he took the rein in triumph, off they went drawn to
puppies, next stop traditional teaching turf, advocates of Amharic alphabet
attention stole, dragged away the kids it was my call

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Cute Sonnet

crew cut bared ears I don't miss it, curly hair on your head so grand, styled or
not wonderful to look at, handsome face dear boy magnified, next to mom
siblings chip in, enjoy tending to their brother, lets them have fun bask in
attention, trying different ways to excel each other, gel used keeps intact whole
day, rinse out urges mother night time, you do resist task weary to play, no pain
no gain name of the game, transition to teenage years smooth, pampering by all
flattens path

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Perky Sonnet

befriended classmates on day one, positive influence brother left behind, or sign
of growth credit your own, as you bubbled my eyes widened, colorful uniform
relaxed atmosphere, physical emotional mental changes visible, joined right club
confident footballer, can't help compare previous school, strummed much of
character counts, seven years stay no spark detected, strict discipline hampered
your progress, went through the motion obedient child, expressive extrovert
person at present, work and play combo refines intellect

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Whole

stay at home designed it's own form, family units doing things together, major
character acting teachers bloom, parents involvement more than ever, daily
routine full swing school exercised, task taken serious cultivate students,
navigation point text books at hand, journey taught all the possibilities, tap deep
inside values within reach, listening redefined widening outlook, as views
exchanged experience enrich, honor each other got plenty to thank, put to test
learn lessons important, new boundaries unfold reason confinement

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Best Sonnet

Shine shine shine beautiful one, special treatment today is on the way, tons of things my queen to party on, top of the list twelvth birthday, home schooled programmed followed rules, helped brothers fruitful result glad to report, trying out from shows different recipes, baking cooking as family pastime favorite, perfecting style surpassing mom role model, dress to impress knows what goes with which, makes time to call caring quality roll, friends aunts grannies benefit as you reach, walk in grace sweet niece swing in full bloom, face path in faith I know great you become

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Part

twenty one today happy birthday young man
eventually eased into world adult must feel great
ready to roll on your own once you take off gown
close to grad opportunities await future bright
driver time to hone reflections so far
experience at the university bonding exercise
wherever whenever treasure reap fruit later
goes ups downs reward comes in folds
horizon tech usage season reading nourish mind
be considerate express thoughts suitable to serve
model eleven kids look up to you son grand
from education design know how to give
navigate course smartly show your worth
practice a guarantee paves smooth path

licensed
enriching
every bit
as life
widen

role
draw
expertly
regular

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Test Sonnet

stay indoors new normal at present, prevention method corona virus preferred,
constant reminder every media outlet, venture out gravity heat knocks hard,
doctors feedback disarming gird up, overdue be brave face it trust them, couple
put to test agreed to now warp, underwent through procedures be calm, the big
day all around bated breath, be extra cautious handle with care, incision with
precision have faith, baby woke from deep slumber let's cheer, thank you Lord
no more tear all is well, You gave us strength to win this battle

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Blest Sonnet

year and half apart only that, right? elder's status state the obvious grants
length, character wise you and I completely different, took after mom most
regards care taker to both, early morning waters garden sweeps the yard,
routine unfolds runs errands buys groceries, peel veggies chop present ma's right
hand, everyday come what may cleans rooms, fills in for mom cooking to pa's
liking, washes dries irons clothes once a week, attentive catering to others need
so giving, noble creature evident as he goes about his task, being there on daily
basis for the family, brother birthday message I deliver gratefully!

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Sim Sonnet

dream came true dear nephew, armed with excitement you departed, eight months already how time flies, new ways acquired lifestyle adapted, big brother to cousins in the house! Emulate you hard life it or not, be ware of your moves no excuses, considerate at most responsible a must, staying at home sustainable norm, juggles self worth no denying it, obligations to self to others amicable Sim, relationship with discipline put to test, parents siblings send love extra special, in endeavors all be successful!

Ginbot asra sebat ken haya asra hulet amete mihret.

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Pop Sonnet

Nawa is two today fun is on the way, still the one lording from dawn to dusk,
takes over whenever big brothers play, shuns their help unaided perches on bike,
so they cheer no use begging the rider, His Highness wants all claims
propriatorship, screaming is means opens doors for sure, behaves like people
around perceptive chap, routine perfected reminds if you forget, utterances come
in handy is quick to respond, words clear full of flavor pop out, grants himself
serious stand let's applaud, Happy birthday to a wonderful being! be a winner in
all strides you dig!

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Weight Sonnet

just dawned on me before twelve, near death experience wasn't it, all went well
got out alive, saved precious life team effort, gravity of the matter registered
later, doctor reasoned laid out options, disquiet inside consented folks concur,
uncomprehending submissive in every sense, procedures meticulously followed
mind, observed absorbed what went on, taken in sedated undesirable removed,
patched reality tell no more concern, staff at each level of the hospital, I
gratefully call my guardian angel!

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Dimple

laughter rang out long loud, plump cheeks whole body shakes, had fun playing
with sand, at the beach the sun shines, dimple showing eyes twinkling, delighted
mom watched adoringly, son bubbling water sparkling, carefree spirit blended
naturally, baby got up went to his aunt, drawn to what I looked for, chubby
hands joined the hunt, marveled at shells in wonder, precious moments from
back then, I treasure with fondness often

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Lean Sonnet

this steel wall at the playground, preschoolers climb at morning exercise, most
eagerly run to it with speed, agility from hold to hold captivates, some approach
reluctantly gingerly, teacher's voice goading them on, gets to the top struggling
anxiously, would go up sent to help down, looking back had fear of height,
curbing myself resort to persuading, kept up pace for smooth descent, relief
written on face safe landing, heartfelt habit acquired being there, encouraging
directing children whenever

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Height Sonnet

to get on upper bed step on, ladder leads right to it, not clear toddler intention,
tries half way calls out, mom disengages cuddle lovingly, hopes he won't next
time, finds facing watch resignedly, knows hands feet carry him, pauses looks up
progresses, this is the day to hit mark, engrossed in so one surmises, just before
last stops task, process witnessed admirable endeavour, freezing towards end
unbecoming fear

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Tenesu Sonnet

mind blowing experience at the door, challenge yourself overcome problem, join
in thousands zooming in no fear, new horizon rise up own at home, event
conducted on different pedestal, cudus organisers take credit unabashed, teamed
up created outlet suitable, energetic experts skilled in their field, start business
maintain scale up or pivot, be healthy to work on finances wealth, make sound
decisions nurture mindset, relationships synchronized with personal growth, have
unshakable faith exercise it daily, connect interact thrive in spirituality

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Toddler Sonnet

baby talk is in full swing, repeats whatever he retained, devoted learner tirelessly
bubbling, responsive same time creative indeed, watches keenly copies does it
better, resources parents siblings relatives media, acts out in an engaging
manner, outstanding performance in most area, center of attention without
question, with him world's the best place, involved in anything that goes on,
sweet voice rings out in the house, dubbed you entertainer of the year,
fascinating dear love you more!

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Natu Sonnet

dear mom you are the best coach, fascinating world at hand in computer lessons,
disruptive baby brother finds way to reach, climb perch pulls tugs does bring
smiles, new lifestyle activities full of fun, creativity unleashed aided by mother,
provides materials to use on our own, routine took turn like never before, three
footballers in the yard make a team, chasing each other riding bike no idle
moment, chores revolve around baby most of the time, makes up for it being
source of entertainment, when school opens got so much to tell, miss classmates
can't wait to mingle

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Root Sonnet

outlet of every form declare new norm, behind closed doors intense lesson, unit
at crossroad how to groom, banded no room to call one's own, complexity of
human nature at its worst, learn get along no use to bare teeth, come up with
plan which serves best, interaction amicably shows self worth, routine disrupted
virus the menace, rules laid out safety measures redefined, usurp the situation
as you keep stance, one is important for all combined, take heed people Mother
Earth reviving, noise air pollution notably decreasing

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Route Sonnet

starting point does it matter where, unsuspecting host help to make way, cruises
inside no choice but surrender, who knows how long it will stay, disarming
ungraciously respects no one, no preference method engaged uniform, expected
or not far near silent weapon, in our midst don't look so grim, you're at fault here
question yourself, restrain unsatiated quest to claim world, virus outsmarting
Being turned into leaf, transported effortlessly hard to be contained, undo all the
wrong sit down be humble, value humanity for the good of all

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Lismat Sonnet

busy adjusting earphone head bowed, she called out turned went up to her, was
about to touch cheeks arms stretched, checked myself paused when she stare,
exchanged pleasantries from a distance, remembering new form of greeting,
hand on chest followed suit all smiles, getting used to required am thinking,
craved walk missed climbing uphill, confined to recover from surgeon's room,
first outing in forty five days am well, pandemic pandemonium lessens if you stay
home, healthy living breathing not this year, cover your mouth lest you become
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Megabit Sonnet

I am a great help in the house, keeping mom on her toes whole day, I do
accomplish tons of things, rushing here there to get my way, hands touch
everything within reach, charge forward grabbing what I can, raised voice
doesn't deter me much, why hold back a self taught person, restrictive brothers
worse than mom, setting standard so high on sibling, lucky for me climbing
naturally come, make room have fun stop whining, such is a life of two year old,
to declare independence strives hard

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Journey Sonnet

layers of me unfolding before my eyes, painful departure arrived in strange land,
dependent confronting confusing compartments, long standing family values
compromised, building trust coping taking baby step, finding myself looking
within belief firm, education teamwork developing friendship, fullfledged decision
maker full of charm, on the move again married loving companion, harsh
weather cultural shock I reel, birth of a boy cemented the liason, another bundle
brought out maternal roll, always a scholar all these years, thank you Lord for
the lessons.

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Nahom

It is my birthday month March rang a sweet bell
got to plan the party counting on big brother
fully engaged though recently got a special role
keeps me in toes the tireless devoted follower
at your service baby happy to cater to your needs
delight to ear sweet melodious voice

'Aamo! ' 'Coming! '

here I am heard you holler

from a distance

elevated my status preference heart warming
no holding back show everything there is to know
accommodative honored playmate all day long
indoor outdoor kicking ball catch and throw
riding the red bike in the yard make legs strong
designated leader what a life of middle child
lucky me look alike granted elevating stand

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Bound Sonnet

struck out on my own, less food visible physical change, place of work positive vibration, need to publish bubbling stage, Ethiopian Great Run active participant, energetic from dawn to dusk, traveller of a kind in earnest, out of town widened outlook, thriving culture saw it alive, documenting Thousand Stars pictures, forgot to weigh what I have, blind leap oblivious to consequences, something was amiss all along, naked truth confront as if stung.

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Nafkot Sonnet

Each day stretched to eternity, filling shoes in small way, blew up in my face
mercilessly, overwhelming making me sway, exchange long distance distressful,
what you suggest couldn't execute, time difference ungovernable, bewildered
whenever we communicate, simple task take wrong turn, weren't doubtful like
this before, unafraid whisked bull by the horn, so daring for you're near, your
absence created huge gap, my whole being inadequacy envelop.

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Queen Sonnet

Makeda Shimelis time to shine, accomplished years of schooling with flair,
congratulations on outstanding success, cultivated consistently granted such
honor, bridge laid out from outset, loving parents built in unison, nurtured
remarkable personality took root, flourished over decade maturity full blown,
beautiful in and out truth be told, dignified in manner cultured intellectually
artistically, ready to face the world middle child, fit to leave cocoon undeniably
triumphantly, Butu's younger Raku's big sister Makky dear, claim your stance for
you are a star!

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Gift Sonnet

suddenness of it truly overwhelms, this is for you magical line, heart lifts up
gladness soars, for me keeps ringing like tune, sparkling eyes during exchange,
eagerness heightened till it's unwrapped, genuine disbelief disarming stage,
present significant weight it carried, giddiness puts you in high spirit, reaction
infectious engulfing givers, thought brought about precious moment, bask in it
while it lasts, little big my good luck charm you are, may we all have a Happy
Easter!

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Fit Sonnet

perfected crawling leisurely family, from one corner of room to the other, let me
roam all I want triumphantly, such goodies within my reach a treasure! shapely
fingers doing great job, pointer mainly directing orchestrating, tons of pauses
spotted thing to grab, pop it in the mouth gum strengthening, as regarding
outdated way you execute, forcing food when I least expected, hindering
equilibrium wish you feel it, watch how I manage to be assured, restraining
frustrating disruptive too, I declare my presence matters amongst you

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Yene Sonnet

something was different this time, I am not relaxed at all, forcing myself to join
was a crime, they don't stop to inhale exhale, this feels like an exodus, trudging
on unseeing unsmiling unfeeling, what's worse follow instructions! doing things
together ain't my thing, I usually enjoy solitary walk, every step I take full of
anticipation, fresh air brings out thoughts that kick, I marvel as I weave them in
colorful pattern, frequent connection to mother Earth, only way to prove self
worth

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Jano Sonnet

this is a different school day, Adwa Day today said mom, she dressed me up in a traditional way, not a holiday but no uniform, didn't understand truth be told, in school yard colorful costumes rage, songs from speakers blared children danced, pictures of men with spears shields strange, Emperor Menelik adorned in attire remarkable, Etege Taytu next to him on royal chair, joined in the fun friends playfully pull, flags billowing in the wind wildly everywhere, Ethiopia Hagere the theme which I kept, as I jumped with joy deep in my heart

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Quest Sonnet

slithers on his stomach to move about, just like people who train in the army,
cheeky cousin declared beaming in delight, agile baby swings on floor
effortlessly, oblivious to our cooing widens his horizon, intent on discovering
world within reach, tastes what he grabs pausing to put in, protests madly if you
dare stop the search, acquired huge appetite things he found, disinclined to eat
proper dish of his age, caught family by surprise as he crawled, all the stretching
lately led to this stage, your nourishing presence doing wonders, caring for you
brought the best of us

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Akumada Sonnet

Happy two hundredth birthday Emperor Tewodros! your name is entwined with unified Ethiopia, here to honor are poets musicians dancers actors, representatives armed in earnest from different media, Alemayehu Tadesse recited popular poem at National Theatre, timeless work of art written by Seifu Debebe the late, humanity explained in simple activity using grain sack regular, which traveled from region to region during low harvest, starting point up North sender tried to borrow, didn't have but didn't say asked the next instead, when it came back to him heart filled with sorrow, thought hard analyzed the meaning it symbolized, realization dawned one for all all for one, empty Akumada where love for each other is drawn

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Meklit Sonnet

gifted musician band members crowd expectant, the lighted stage at Francaise Alliance she owned, sang danced performed most of all communicated best, first number Abay Mado classic work of Mahmoud, sang along marveling at delightful flavor I hear, powerful message about farmer embedded in song, from dawn to dusk how he toils in any weather, giving his whole being to the land he's tilling, production he provides decisive in feeding the whole nation, he's more than himself loyal wife and ox share strife, each word depict ups downs of farming task of children, appreciation expressed in depth to the one who sustain life, Meklit's engaging personality helped to unravel, Arashu Gebere, the Farmer, is indeed incomparable!

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Anbesit Sonnet

Megenagna Square this lots of buses, 'Yerer! Gorro! 'heard through walkie talkie,
as I boarded on wonderful vibrations,chauffeur is female'hello lady! ', bought
ticket winding stairs climbed on, am on top riding in the Double Deck!

Organisation had successful plan, promoted the staff training for higher task,
especially the women folk previously confined, selling bus ticket inside cubicle,
elevated status driving granted, proud of watching you behind wheel, indebted to
you admin for service as resident, keep on serving the public to the fullest

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Thirst Sonnet

water tanker adorn rooftop of most houses, hoarding in container forced habit
out of necessity, Maheder often pointed out visible evidence, scarcity in this city
in such intensity, can't curb easily magnitude of this problem,demand is fierce
supply diminish by the day, bottled water lucrative trade it has become,long for
the time I drink from tap scooping away, turn on tap go on but act casual, be
prepared to cry out in agony or delight, waiting draining not knowing the arrival,
drip drop musical to ears to family unit, discussed basic need in large part of the
world, conserve save solve for the common good

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Genana Sonnet

eve of Genna holiday at our house, no light the whole day in the village, brother
peeled chopped five kilos of onions, mom bought three hens unfettered by price
change, light came back on tedious work began, dissected cooked hens in the
yard, baked injera bread too in the kitchen, as time wore on weariness took hold,
enough let's go to bed mom upset her, such exertion at midnight not right,
inconceivable to let others take over, enjoys serving the way she want, thank
you God for everything mom is, keeps together the family with ease

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Fam Sonnet

Akoye's daughter Etalem is here today, her daughters with their own babies,
came to Timmy's apartment this Monday, the wonderful woman Hiwot mothers,
El the first born who's only ten, scholar in grade four Yon comes second, six year
old Butu is in kindergarten, her married sister remarkably sophisticated, Dia the
eight year old her baby girl, baby Don sweet three keep her busy, looking after
these two didn't alter lifestyle, supportive loving partner makes burden easy,
twenty eighteen time to say goodbye, blessed is this gathering on year's last day

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Sum Sonnet

drawn gradually to the amazing coach, listening to his voice through radio station, joined class inner thirst ignited by March, kept telling myself it is time to shine, practical lesson climbing mountain every Sunday, each step taken representing dream theme, hard to team up sticking to solitary way, at Easter party better trainee I became, sharing written gratitude mingling bit by bit, end of May sis dear gave birth, rainy season gave reason to dwindled spirit, June July August replaced by better month, looked after baby dampened world brightened, goodbye twenty eighteen thank you for lessons learned

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Piassa Sonnet

place and analogue camera century old, two photographers spent two years,
documenting old new spirit of the neighbourhood, to honor to preserve the
memories, demolition underway on a massive level, surrounding vicinity
speaking sense of doom, social fabric has no place at all? uprooting relocating
has become the norm, residential area at the back business front, jewelry shops
boutiques sports gear banks, restaurants cafeterias visited with zest, pedestrians
stroll through for generations, nostalgic anxiously awaiting new layer, familiar
aura dissipating year to year

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Solid Sonnet

Bebzi dear can now hold the spoon, got huge appetite for adult food, closes mouth to dishes his own, after three days seven months old, no amount of singing dancing silly, persuades him to open his mouth, favorite snack eaten eagerly heartily, banana avocado mix tot of lemon to go with, milk from bottle still consumed most, but mamma's exclusively for night time, baby's menu contains mashed potato carrot, porridge that of different grain choco cream, can't wait to see you feed yourself, I do enjoy feeding you as you huff and puff

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Melt Sonnet

it was a pulsating nourishing village, new order copied altered the face, no trace
of yesterday serving as bridge, to judge what has been back in the days,
uprooted in every sense of the word, relocated to different parts of town, road
construction million houses to build, time for development general reason given,
dissecting thoughtlessly intact life apart, discontinuing interaction communal
lifestyle, propagated intensively to willingly take part, attune to the tune then do
not wiggle, are skyscrapers substitute for natural warmth? sucking out fresh air
bringing wrath

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Habit Sonnet 3

strong legs kicking air with such force, laying back on bed engaged animatedly,
brothers marvel at his diligent acrobats, they squeal in delight watching Baby
eagerly, motor skills developed commands body as he like, mom's work out
helped to stand straight, five months old gymnast will soon start walk, holds on
tight with little hands for support, bubbling incoherently stamps feet repeatedly,
lifelong requirement effortlessly surge, having fun growing physically
emotionally, acquired useful task at this early stage, may you express yourself
without inhibitions, hope your progress be filled with easy challenges

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Habit Sonnet 2

little hands up fingers at work moving horizontally, discovering things to hold on
to with his might, touching mom's face ever so lightly, lips pursed in
concentration melt heart, chews on clothing on him or dragging from nearby,
doesn't like it if you extricate the materials, defensive mode exercised to keep
you at bay, grabbing tight what's in his possessions, communicates in his own
way displeasure, make sure to distract to lighten him up, tickle his ribs applying
minimum pressure, giggle in unison as he giddily bubbles up, am hopelessly
spellbound by your charm, grow to be a person armed with wisdom

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Habit Sonnet 1

things Baby display expressed in words, wakes as early as six sharp and bright,
quiet time unperturbed he enjoys, starts making loud noise towards eight,
leaving mom no choice but to oblige right away, knows well how to behave
manipulatively, seriously naps suckling milk contentedly, crying helps a great
deal to get his way, scoop me up play with me don't stop, want to laugh with you
curling up like a ball, change me am messy won't you clean me up, check my
surrounding am not comfortable at all, new member of the family Highness Nawi
served, everybody at his whim catering much obliged

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Teyaki Sonnet

ma was brought home from hospital, within days after the operation, strict orders to be followed by all, no visitors allowed extreme hygiene, we're putting her at risk doctors appealed, let her spend holiday with family, dad stationed himself as guard, each member must care responsibly, if mother is infected contracting germ, stitch won't heal as it must, neighbours flocked demanding to see mom, dad forbade it was taken as an affront, this part of planet traditional society, lets misconceptions rule without clarity.

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Goho Sonnet

National Museum is an all time haven, mourning a great man feeling devastated,
showing at the time Behailu exhibition, sluice from memories of childhood
flooded, sat cross legged in front of tons of collages, engrossed in writing all
things I recall, tall dark man hovered showered questions, we hit it off soon
became inseparable, are you a spy? dining with you? No! don't have money. Am
interested in company, you're after married men. God forbid ho ho ho. Why are
you curious? I do admire Ivory, was it your charm? I drew comfort, saw each
other at our best and worst

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Kenesa Sonnet

a wonderful day you had Ezu baby, pride filled my heart winner is
home, participated in the Great Run at the academy, purple shirt full of messages
clearly inform, time to empower doting sis who cares, devoted follower back her
all you can, she goads you on backs your endeavours, raised you with me when
you were little bairn, be an advocate herald her strength, she's mini mom looking
out for you, be appreciative bask in her wealth, acknowledge how you lean on
Pom Liyu, nudge each other footballer today's runner, path smoothened out face
bright future!

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Hawii Sonnet

underneath running shirt and shorts, wool materials keep away morning chill,
baby girl wish am shield from obstacles, protecting you if you trip and fall,
overwhelmed by infectious excitement, couldn't stop you join in eventful run,
time to cross fingers all the very best, masked anxiety trying not to dampen,
vibe you sent out lately for this day, watching you among hundreds buzzing
animatedly, squealing not a care in a world all the way, assuaged reservations bit
by bit finally, glory to God you finished unscathed, medallion around your neck
effort rewarded.

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Blen Sonnet

this year's motto empower girls now, represent in public those your own age,
arranged by concerned for better tomorrow, staged preparing you the world at
large, run fast my dear do not look back, pave the way next leader have no fear,
it's first step towards ultimate task, learn to use potential bestowed by maker,
everyone is with you never doubt that, open air fun another form of school, thrive
in the day's throng present, laughter you share eases life's goal, apple of my eye
cheer you till the end, dot on you always for what you stand.

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Nat Sonnet

marveled at her son's readiness proudly, he impatiently waited to be on his way,
time to join the runners at the academy, little brother major supporter for the
day, warming up music before the race set the mood, vibrant children bubbled
up in anticipation, unreserved energy flowed hearts throbbed, six year old boys
surge forward in unison, mesmerising to watch those wonder feet, parents
guardians could only gape in awe, smiling faces immeasurable fun is evident,
expressing themselves trusting event's flow, platform inculcating important life
lessons, in every child mobility ability naturally comes!

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Lidet

happy birthday he's the first one who said it she's so delighted, left him in charge
of sound asleep baby it's not even five, warm clothing a must downstairs to the
kitchen she headed, smooth running of household chores cooking for the hive,
the help sets the table for breakfast sons with dad sit down to eat, back in
bedroom got to entertain little one no idle moment he's up, she takes care of his
needs tons of unique morning routine set, the men trooped in to say goodbye
smiling dad scoop, kindergartener next to big brother wished mom best birthday,
she showers extra kisses on each grateful beyond measure, washed brushed fed
uniform on chatting they're on their way, dad behind wheel amused listening in
boys source of wonder, enjoy your day sister the youngest most treasured
sibling, as always academic as well as life accomplishments am appreciating

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Med Sonnet

the church found around Adama University, couple in love frequented prayed
implored, most of all promised to honor after unity, graduates then employees
journey dictated, scholars in a foreign land bond put to taste, proved what they
were made of in two years, education strange culture harsh weather to boot,
triumphed over challenges with flying colors, back home ground was shaky gird
up! begin again masters ain't recipe for marriage, under one roof by yourselves
chin up cheer up! adjusted well three sons in your cottage, Medhanyalem blessed
your home dear parents, annual celebration is reward for your success.

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Negari Sonnet

what substance communicated collectively? why is the exhibition full of
installation? was allocation of space given evenly? individual creation speaks
volumes I reckon, solo quest on the value of life, unearthing hidden issues for
better tomorrow, heralding coherence how to surf more than self, fast changing
world summons let's follow, genuine concern drove artists to reach out, reaction
evident in a confined place, mounting agitation of audience found outlet, subjects
trudging in droves at crossroads, beneficiaries of predictions artists told, how is it
going to be conducted?

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Recite Sonnet

the urge to share brought you here, quieten reservations on presentation, staring
audience thirty thirsty to hear, work concealed charm so story liven, curb fright
you've a good sight, must be cover to what's underlying, gracious supportive
man handed you light, appease appetite don't keep them waiting, opens room for
discussion believed heart, imagine ideas floating after you delivered, road to
betterment still the intent, first anything overwhelms understand, wasn't it
fruitful in every respect? Proved to all exchange is the best!

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Urban Sonnet

unofficial mayor of city I grew up in
advocates the good the bad with intensity
host once in a week on a radio station
what's expected of a dweller relating ability
voice transporting to a well orchestrated era
housing problems identified providing solutions
explaining in detail making buildings in Addis Ababa
regularly advising drivers to exercise tolerance
teaming up with institutions to lessen unemployment
devoted to what he believes in publicizing involving
livening up his show playing records carefully select
imparting what's gathered abroad on way of living
well maintained in every respect beloved Maheder
your show bore fruit after tenth year through center.

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Junior Sonnet

father did experiment cutting your hair at home, professional help needed for
birthday party, dressed you up drove all the way to gentlemen dome, on your
dad's lap sat regarding everybody, customers found your presence refreshing,
barber was worried before he began, baby let him do his job no twisting turning,
most peaceful being I've ever known, parent claimed son took after him it's
obvious, big eyes taking things in acknowledging without judgement, effortlessly
mingling disarming people exuding charming grace, what a stylish haircut to
celebrate year first, both families dot on you dear baby fudge, you are part of the
grand unexpected change!

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Chubby Sonnet

sweet melodious sound out of you
song about parting at end of school year
favored by students internationally ring true
the Amharic version sung by grandma you must hear
listening to the big words full of lesson
I wonder if your heart and soul comprehend
trusting the school experience thrust-ed upon
mingling with hundreds of kids in a compound
taking orders abiding by all the rules
leading life following yearly schedule
replacing parents discovering world through teachers
carrying back bag lunch box ready to roll
every morning where you can comfortably roam
school is indeed home away home!

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Mulmul Sonnet

wheat flour water yeast oil sugar salt, grew up watching you mix for this holiday,
kneading hard the exertion you put, all ingredients must blend the right way, bits
of dough carefully wrapped in leaf, placed on geber mitaad one by one, open fire
burning till you say enough, eating mulmul having delightful shape is fun, set
about preparing just like you mother, coupled up with my own expertise, backed
by modern kitchen ware, produced triangles for Buhe with ease, my sons were
delighted to see, pieces of bread made by their mommy!

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Bliss Sonnet

peace fills my heart sitting here
contemplative state engulfs my whole being
acute awareness of surrounding takes over
my body relaxes worry is leaving
thoughts roam freely through these tall trees
am assured they reach Him in the sky
wind brings back messages He listens
eases my burden not judging in any way
time fades into bottomless pit
I surrender letting go off my inhibition
I am one I am all entirety I represent
I basked in His grace with no reservation
am grounded deeply connected to Mother Earth
always appreciative of my self worth

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Self Sonnet

'I never hug him but, ' accusatory tone, equivalent of 'love to hold baby brother',
nephew dear developed such concern, in being part of nursing next to mother,
'you need to be guided to do that, watch how raising child is conducted, we're
good now for we practiced a lot', I should apply to myself this very method,
becoming hard to kiss and hug people, averting skin contact of any form, natural
connection turned abnormal, taking extra care in order not to conform, why does
mingling bother me so? fast changing world doesn't ring true?

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Eleltaa Sonnet

last week at your house
forced myself to face the family
twenty seven years since the divorce
how you regarded me fondly
found myself warming up to you
regret non existent guilt forget it
source of magnetic love I have no clue
power from within didn't know about
biding right time hidden
how infectious it is just look around
missed a lot believed it was forbidden
let's ululate more joining hand in hand
getting back together my dear
made us value one another

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Grad Sonnet

intensive rehearsal leading to grad day
turned you into one bubbling actor
devoted teachers paved the way
obliging children claimed the floor
welcoming greeting in languages different
poetry drama traditional debate Fashion Show
serious performers delivered without restraint
riveted eyes of audience watched in awe
little big proved what they are made of
each child stance remarkably unique
magnified by cultural clothing which engulf
befitting dance synchronized to beat of music
congratulations graduates grade one beckons
obvious kindergarten full of adventures

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Tigist Sonnet

here is to you fabulous woman, Saturday's event was successful, thanks to you
to all who chipped in, wearing attire wonderfully colorful, parents family
members invited guests, proudly sat in the huge white tent, took with them
unforgettable memories, kindergarteners rolled out their part, confidently
performing on stage, well versed in what they were doing, taking turns to speak
with courage, what they acquired here lasts long, bask in the fruit of working
together, the section thrived under your care

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Ezana

you are nine years old today
big sister three you were only two
auntie's all time favorite boy
frequent visitor of the Lion's Zoo
regarding caged kings lolling lazily
not moving gazing at them in wonder
enjoying the playful cubs mostly
made you nervous if a lion roar
covering both ears in distress
source of boundless delight await
chattering monkeys full of tricks
fascinating animals gladden your heart
after the picnic you always sleep
carried you on my back to the taxi stop

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Sibling Sonnet

they are like twin only a year apart, at home at school inseparable, tenth birthday special in every respect, displayed difference is visible, prior to the day passed an ultimatum, no more fighting from now on, brother promised to abide by new form, queen determined nothing spoil her fun, best wishes flowed from every member, graceful girl radiated looking grand, he teased like before forgot reminder, disliking old habit her smile drained, it's not easy to get used to change, takes time to adjust in short range.

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Fekat Sonnet

make any sound you like give me music
I may stop moving when you're quiet
audience eagerly obliged undertook the task
he writhed wiggled to his heart's content
screams flew from every direction
not deafening delighting the crowd
his moves intensified goaded by invention
hooting gained momentum he danced hard
young men stamped adorned the show
what they created with voice deep
sounded orchestrated what a flow!
trumpeter soothed moderating the tap
impulsive commotion turned to success
free spirited children of Fekat, thanks!

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Seto Sonnet

solo performance titled breaking point, still body claimed the lighted floor,
flexibility skillful dexterity was evident, riveted eyes followed glued to dancer,
every inch of his body got unique rhythm, barefeet bent backward he rolled like
ball, served to sprang up and down he freely roam, muscles contracted relaxed
during rise and fall, hands manouvered course like captain of ship, winding roads
twists turns in stretches, towards the end whole self took a cold dip, awaiting
container full of water stabilizes, applaud self expression of any kind,for Seto
agility is license in this world.

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Core Sonnet

outstanding game changer is here
be part of the historical tide
Mandela's grandchildren in fine gear
sunny morning came to your aide
complimenting the outdoor celebration
turnout in multitude depicted good rapport
astounding reception of the mission
expressing heartfelt gratitude pledging support
willpower brought the colorful throng
defeating drawback like individual turf
faith in the acclaimed hunk so strong
as you honor cheer clearly see yourself
the drive within coincided unheedingly
strive to preserve the unifying personality!

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Handy Sonnet

reach over use it effortlessly
candid solid dependable to the end
actually found inside us universally
watch how it takes rightful stand
treasure hidden at place so obvious
boundless delight for it revealed itself
share in unison to all it belongs
infectious that's why it engulf
hunt is over time for new task
exercise how to reap fruit of prize
roll on hand in hand no going back
yesterday is gone show today's worth
harbinger of hope this fasting season
sent from above through each drop of rain

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Bald Sonnet

some of us blame the weather
to explain collective presentation
to justify the way things are
is there consolation in this notion
sexuality is a natural feeling
trained to repress by those around
birthright denied so confining
four decade had passed
outlook broadened body stood still
outrageous at the lack of progress
unbeatable state hard to peel
draining to uproot what's in veins
break out be constructive flame
in self expression there's no shame.

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Naol Sonnet

the long wait is over, boys! Congratulations baby brother is here! Naol graced us with his presence, deliver showers of gratitude to mother, won your support cunningly, acquainting you to the world of expecting, carried out tons of duties driving daily, to school office supermarkets no swooning, that's why four grandparents benefitted, obedient woman served each well, moving in this stifling city unfettered, whenever their demands unfurl, deserves to rest in the warm nest, surrounded by family present.

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Adbar

first day of the month particularly the ninth
swept the yard real good before they arrived
pay tribute to nature celebrate together mother Earth
bake lots of anebabero that homemade bread
lace each with mixture of berbere and butter
assign men to take care of the barbecue
wheat, chick peas give nifro boiled in large container
knowing heart tell you why you review
how you're faring at the continuity flow
wear traditional costume before saying hello
carried out well what higher power bestow
each member of the clan under you glow
ancestors bear witness to abundance
gods below above smell this incense

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Injera Sonnet

'Could I cut the wood? Could I try? '
'No, Abelo, you'll hit yourself' breathing heavily
she held the huge metal ax up high
'you didn't. You only broke the dirt once, granny'
'trust me this isn't safe for you, my dear
you can help me take these pieces
pile them over there so I can make fire'
I dragged bits of wood placed next to furnace
granny made a huge fire under the circle thing
poured white liquid on black surface closed it
opened scooped injera I don't see her burning
another circle thing in the kitchen it has light
doesn't have fire it's like mommy's microwave
gives you injera too when you open the alcove.

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Coffee Sonnet

'At my other granny's house, '
we held zenezena of the wooden mukecha
'they don't grind coffee but salt in this'
vacationeer perceptive dear, ainch?
great help in the yard this morning
carrying coffee things from kitchen to outside
showers of questions tirelessly responding
as I moved long Raya dress trailed behind
roasted coffee sniffed hard Abelo followed suit
as we grounded told him its different use
poured for myself disregarding his request
he demanded making it difficult to refuse
tasted grimaced regarded me incredulously
'how do you drink that? ' Exactly!

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Anesthetic Sonnet

operating rooms experience only in films, so scared must be why I incessantly
chattered, wished I were brave enough to witness, sedative would surely make
me as good as dead, assistant tied glove below my elbow, holding my hand tried
to locate protruding vein, heard my doc say, ' we're ready now', did he not know
I wasn't yet given? Opened my eyes no blinding light, comfortable bed in a
different room, my sister spoke from where she sat, all over within short period
of time? Deed is done inside the Theatre, my state of mind didn't matter.

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Pedestrian Sonnet

assigned to take you home one day, got to your school wearing family ID, stood around the door in the hall way, no single file when door opened, your class stayed in the TV room, breathed easier when I found you, held chubby hand we began to roam, how nervous you were dear Eyu, the squelching sand we walked on, ; watching cars on the move at close range, as you bubbled how your face shone, crossing road made you feel strange, am glad we did lots of things, auntie still treasures all the memories.

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Sis Sonnet

adored last child highly regarded, from early on proved her self
worth, outstanding in high school and beyond, effortlessly eased into twosome
path, friendship escalated to relation, partner for life knew how to construct,
unshakable solid foundation, gradually winning her heart, she followed drawn
trustingly, equipped she took over the rein, adept at leading competently,
spinning design her own, years of enriching experience, came in handy on the
trying course.

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Enat Sonnet

the grandmother encompassing all
spouse off-springs their children mainly
ready made radiant welcoming smile
sixty three best cook of the family
unwavering love stability guaranteed
each takes his own claiming proprietorship
accommodative nest always treasured
stationed to solve when we seek help
God's precious gift selfless woman
deriving strength from him as loving wife
naturally displaying opinion genuine
accepting everyone throughout your life
still marvel at your thriving personality
may you have Happy Mothering years, Muli!

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Tube Sonnet

your parents decided this is the day, first born takes a dip in the water, how it sparkled under the blue sky, smiling mom placed you detecting no fear, how you clung to her as if stung, ; baffled at the reaction displayed, she cooed and cajoled extricating, shook head fixing eyes in the liquid, tried again bewilderment was writ on her face, put you inside plastic tube so intent, ; directing your attention to the swimmers, having fun squealing loud splashing about, unimpressed you sat pursing your lips, mom gave up feeling helpless.

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Obby Sonnet

nineteen months old chubby baby, took you to store at your ma's request,
twinkle twinkle we sang merrily, you stopped now and then to gesticulate, my
first time running errand, what has gotten into your mother, she shouldn't have
truth be told, wherever we went she used her car, as my panic rose I scooped
you up, my mind raced to get out of the fix, came to my senses asked for help,
we found my sis out of her wits, all the fun and aches we shared then, treasures
I fondly look back on.

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Kawintseb Sonnet

abode with family in Shashmane town, slings guitar over his shoulder, plays
harmonics pressed to lips in dedication, barefoot musician is a hard worker, cycles
in capital city meeting engagements, self made man values his worth, met him in
person at different concerts, emboldened by his grace to tell the truth, showed
up at his house for Majesty's birthday, probed patiently decided I were naive,
lengthy advice on what's expected during stay, relieved integrated without
reserve, witnessed pulsating love expressed at Niambi, drum beat in tune with
chanting for Emperor Haileselassie.

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Goddess Sonnet

blessed in every sense of the word
unraveling mysteries of universe
traveling through the world
couch surfing at her service
journeying to quench insatiable nature
in hundred places presence felt
effortlessly blending without fear
adventurous nomad is a delight
The Quest conceived at home
read books queried people
dream bloomed thanks to mom
heartily welcomed wherever she call
her license is love for humanity
goddess connected believing in unity

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Kalsi Sonnet

Ethiopian New Year nineteen seventy seven, rainy season gave up its seat for fine weather, a quarter left to say goodbye to eleven, school reopened students rear, time to show off my crocheted white socks, loved the purple stripe at the top, strings had dangling thread balls, saw this in my mind's eye as Ezu pulled up, black socks above knees snugly fit, shin guard tucked well secured, full of spike bright red cleat, matching sport's wear task completed, here comes serious footballer make way, may this eight year old exercise fair play.

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Eyob Sonnet

hikers park either at Gusquam or Trinity climbing Entoto
two men waiting to give service intention purely selfless,
new Dream Team members stretching to fight strappo
we joined in listened as Eyob animatedly told his experience
'arrived early went up and down the mountain alone
helped me a lot when I did it with the group! '
'buy this zebib. Tastes so good! '
cut in a woman, we turned startled her goading didn't stop
'haven't you eaten grapes before? This its dried form'
place is crowded by vendors laying out goods on ground
Eyob bought some but ' buy some more' order came
exchange brought out soft spot for he felt awkward
highly motivated pharmacist with a big heart
you're on the right track your drive is evident!

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Baltet Sonnet

their laughter rang out from a distance
I resumed washing my lunch box unperturbed
'You could be mistaken for a Baltet, ' said Yeras
It was at the tap water around the field
Sosena chimed in, 'Mittu Hostess will bring her matot.'
I giggled imagining cooking pot made of clay
'Did you notice how she keeps herself neat? '
I clean my chair table before class is under way
Sitting on the ground always an ordeal
dabbing the spot on skirt was everyday task
It was normal sipping water from syrup bottle
Fasika teased, 'be sure it ain't some other drink'
Making myself comfortable is part of my nature
Wherever I venture even up on the air

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Afro

how could they have known Afro is my trade mark
girls at my new school stared hard am bewildered
wore colorful dresses had no choice, the whole week
uniform was ready blending is guaranteed I believed
white shirt green skirt with its matching vest, all set
delighted me coupled up with handy doctor's shoes
grass trees doors gates in premises I marveled at
mesmerized at sisters in blue who quietly harmonize
still stood out hair style for some reason unacceptable
neighbors braided as I anxiously waited for it to grow
discomfiting, outdated fashion put me on a different aisle
enviously looked at tons of designs my age mates follow
in high school at my four years stay changes I underwent
joy of having, wearing the school uniform hasn't once left

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Tibebe Sonnet

'Remove fur hat from her head! Do you want to make her hairless? ' Bellowed dermatologist as soon as we entered, hearing about his reputation didn't console us. 'Burn it as soon as you get home! 'dad consented confusion on his face evident. In my family nobody shouts at him. Doctor calmed down invited us to sit. Posed questions about my skin disease. Gloved hands were deft probing my hair shorn. Thorough examination chatting to dad with ease. Among prescription didn't welcome injection. Doctor provided best treatment ever! My hair problem was solved here.

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Borchelle Sonnet

tough job for mom taming my hair
complained moaning as comb runs through it
whenever am braided I used to suffer
disrupted for bruises broke out
was elementary student at the time
baffled how I contracted fungus
shearing my hair became mission for mom
applied traditional medicine consulting neighbors
didn't help visit to the doctor happened
I made matters worse too young to realize
dreading treatment ensued
to cure the skin disease
I now know why Borchelle was the place
to curb such ailment contagious

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Maffy Sonnet

vivacious niece you're God's gift, sparkling eyes give off unreserved love,
exploring surrounding owing to adventurous spirit, father dotes on you granting
sustaining narrative; on discipline, responsibility, obedience; telling real life
stories befitting tender age, resourceful mother sharpens feminine qualities,
preparing confident you for adult stage, how to take good care of yourself,
proper clothing be it modern or traditional, weekly visits to church to exercise
belief, thinking faculty put to use pretty well, beautiful girl! Happy sixth birthday!
May you create a better world on your way!

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Nati Sonnet

this is my birthday week declared Nati, inquisitive bright child already fully equipped, to make sense of the world beyond family, argumentative with mom reasonable with dad, rightfully enjoying extravagant attention, excavating information like a detective, his fascination commences from inception, gradually escalating as maturity evolve, acts out different roles real well with all, junior facilitates games being a miniature, kids willingly follow drawn by his zeal, often wrestles plays with his brothe, ,prospective graduate of preparatory class, you'll do wonders which astound us!

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Temachu Sonnet

still picture showing heart wrenching scene, a soldier returning home head bent
spirit broke, loyal animal carrying his master who didn't win, reminded me of Ato
Temachu a character tragic, tattered cloth barefooted overgrown hair a mess,
looking on the merriment in trance at his gate, watched the enemy in disbelief
lording it in the house, wife possessed by foreign arms couldn't accept his lot, he
was given wine mistaken for a beggar, distress intensified daughter broke glass
he used, she didn't recognise him was following an order, he hang himself on a
tree buckling under the load, battlefield makes or breaks men tainting
interaction, robs off their dignity leaves them withdrawn

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Honor Sonnet

it took two women to initiate the program
joined hands in expressing gratitude
mastermind class practically exercised by Dream Team
lavishly celebrated at grand hotel with such magnitude
Directress led every step of the way
proving to mentor she is a successful cinematographer
documentary film she narrated clearly convey
challenges faced by this unstoppable motivator
doctor handed award to symbolize accomplishment
each person present supporter of his cause
applauding endurance of his conquest
good vibes exchanged through poems songs
dancing around open fire binding the partnership
traditional coffee cemented continuing relationship

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Doctor

know that your body is a temple
heard it before didn't believe it
until chiropractor got on stage all smile
elevated mood of audience stating undeniable fact
we are between two breaths from birth to death
beware of your thoughts what you say to others
stressed the Water Study of a Japanese
who proved words we utter make or break us
care for every part of your body attentively
watch how you execute your task
evaluate yourself when you relate daily
wear this health mask in happiness you will bask
your health is in your hands take heed
exercise conscious breathing people of the world!

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Greek Sonnet

substituted a teacher on maternity leave
five Indians unknowingly made my career
Russian lady coached I comeptently heave
ninety days were up back to being night scholar
summoned to the school with new assignment
twelve pupils under my care lady supervised
father intervened became accountant
kindergarten beckoned willingly rejoined
taught hundreds within twelve years
experienced self assured Greek staff once again
celebrating days: UN, Christmas, Report Card, Cultural, grand parents
in the kindergarten division coordinated interaction
gave up teaching for real goodbye
high time I put legacy behind my unique way

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Ase Sonnet

no Easter card? no good wish message?
can't concentrate on the unending chopping
we drift apart holiday spirit manage to assuage
I reached out! Your voice filled my whole being
lessons exchanged within fifteen years
treasured what we thoughtlessly created
survived life and death experience
got along real well after we parted
remind me once again the mutual ship
sailing on turbulent waters at times calm at other
semblance of a relationship or is it dependable friendship?
trying out familiar unfamiliar path we each hanker
name the knot that ties us beyond the attraction
stop harping on solid course long gone.

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Melaku Sonnet

provider of haven to many whose namesake compares to angel
self made talented international performer
often tours with team to different world music festival
owner of a villa for entertainment called Fendika Cultural Center!
Night life of Casanchis is exercised in the evenings
once in a while dances of nations and nationalities thrive
generous man beckons monthly poetry pulsates
various forms of art expressions shared in love
artists present their work without inhibition
being drawn to the place trusting his welcoming approach
throughout the year the gallery display solo or group exhibition
melting pot where video art contributors promoted their search
people from all walks of life show up at humble Melaku's turf
large hearted host! May you keep on excelling yourself!

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Namo

a handful but delightful four year old
my chubby nephew exudes outstanding personality
nothing holds him back from doing as he liked
gets away with anything charming his ma admirably
what his idol big bro says he devotedly obey
bubbling informs his ma his thoughts and actions
extra attentive showering kisses on her everyday
appreciative of his dad knows best how he relates
the threesome often walk around the block
this holiday it was at the sheep market they were present
grandpa cousins involving them in serious task
little big had a busy week he diligently prostrate
preschool is full of fun for Nammo I can tell
proudly attends mingling effortlessly so remarkable!

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Sigdet

spread the mat stand straight
cross your arms touch your shoulders
kneel down be sure forehead make contact
prostrate yourself this way as the day dictates
listen intently to the teachings of the Lord
as retold by different high priests through the mic
follow from the heart blot out reality in your head
feel the ups and downs the Savior undertook
it doesn't require scientific research
to understand the magnitude of His love
store the lessons apply in doses to quench
every day life thirst you have
to celebrate this solemn occasion all age group showed up
be gladdened with the multitude as you worship

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Ziggurat

waterpark fun spots one led to the next adventure
sis and I decided to jump dripping wet in and out
it was unsettling hearing those before us roar
giggling nervously I edged forward to do it
hands plastered to my sides as attendant ordered
heard my screaming as I flew down in to unknown
warm water engulfed me when I landed
tried to stand frantically for I was shaken
attendant in the water offered to help
moved away thanking him after I steadied myself
dazed I tried to find my reason for such leap
sis joined me disoriented in disbelief
took us a while to resume giggling
what an exhilarating feeling such sailing!

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Zenbaba

five churches different locations on the way to Mount Entoto
Medhanyalem, Selassie, Gusquam, Maryam, Elias
run your way up face your challenges Dawit Dreams motto
walking gives me best connections with my surroundings
church goers filled the streets covered in Netela or Gabi
notice traditional costumes most prefer wearing
watch children work their feet to keep up with family
loud speakers spreading voice of priests preaching
raw material solely sold for the day is the leaf
creative ones turn it into rings, crosses to put around the head
reason why people slip on fingers is proof
interesting designs of rings replace silver and gold
Christians celebrated Zenbaba, the Palm Sunday
carrying symbolical plant befitting the holiday!

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Dan Sonnet

leader I look up to since childhood
my first mentor my dear big brother
the role model in whatever I did
regarding dreams of mine major supporter!
Reminiscing fondly about bad good charm
it used to madden me for you postpone
translating right away whenever we watch film.
Didn't inherit the impressive handwriting you own.
Outlook broadened for you eased me into knowledge
through reading books in both languages in hundreds.
Ups downs in our lives definitely arrange
best suit ensconsing us with individual preferences.
Heartfelt admiration goes out to you Dan tourist, local
experience came in handy in raising your little girl.

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Feet Sonnet

for some reason front line beckoned
planned to finish the race in half an hour or less
shouldered my way through runners determined
loud music laughter good vibe uplifted my spirits
Time to act. Wait a minute! My body wasn't mine to lift.
I panicked. I'd be trampled if I didn't make fast move.
What happened to a month's training, my beloved feet?
Let's wrap this one any way you can. Got nothing to prove
conscious breathing came to my rescue
as I jogged labored exertion subsided. Realization dawned.
Walking wasn't appropriate for the venue,
so pick up your pace. Not the time to reprimand.
This inner conversation made all the difference
five kilo meters run took me forty five minutes!

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Hiwot Sonnet

baking and cooking for your family
sometimes traditional at other International
driving to school to shops to work regularly
with kids by yourself together to church for the soul
entertaining guests during the holidays
attending parties honoring invitation
having good time strengthens social relations
dining out visiting places rejuvenates each person
walking and jogging for you football for three of them
reading studying helping striving connecting
more than a decade of discovery turn you into a great Mom
Way you harmonize roots with other cultures is amazing
adjusting life style according to laws of the land
may four of you keep on preserving your bond

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Dawit Sonnet

a relentless motivational speaker is in town
soothing voice of life coach filled the air
radio hosts engage themselves in promoting his vision
captive audience imagination soar
conducts classes dressed like a groom
patiently laying out possible ways to perceive
decisive prerequisites on how to live your dream
manual designed to ignite mental exercise
meticulous leader baked hiking for the physical
rewarding exertion whenever team reach the mountain top
Dawit remind we all endowed with the potential
all you have to do is be disciplined and tap
be inspired learners to reap fruits
amazing grace the devoted trainer possess

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Right Sonnet

Violence free life United Nations declared.
at the fifteen year celebration of Mesi's race
twelve thousand vibrant participants supported
cheering loudly feeling individual challenges
Uplifting messages reverberated at the event
talented Betty Wanos and Ebba Tesfaye led the journey
recipients below the stage reciprocated in earnest
Empowering women family planning education femininity
healthy mothers healthy families Stop Early Marriage!
Making one's own choice Leave no woman behind Because She Can!
Investing in girls is investing in the future you'll judge
International ambassadors elite athletes Icon women
symbols of independence achievement ability self worth
witness how gender equality is observed this month

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March Sonnet

you talk about inequality at work
question your mentality activate your mind
examine what you have what you lack
unlearn drawbacks you accumulated
educate family members on regular basis
engage them in serious discussion
reflect diligently on values responsibilities
nurture constructive nourishing relation
armed with these qualities go out there emphasize
your license which guarantees your worth
at work place when you negotiate expertise
exercising self control with amazing strength
Remember! Reprogramming your base first
reward for equality and mutual respect!

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Sonny Sonnet

separated for first time in eighteen years
pursuing your studies in another town
away from home parents siblings
to claim a life of your own
feeling your absence I cry so hard
pictures you sent the other day so confusing
the boyish look is lost somewhere in your beard
cone shaped Afro on your head is offending
serious countenance exaggerated tender age
Is this how you make sense of your new existence?
to ease you to adult world at the proper stage
lessons should include grooming at the campus
importance given to trending style
make sure it coincide with academics profile

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Sonnet Afuri

This is grandparents'dome.
Crowding around the Toyota pickup
four kids with their mom
each holding a piece of rug to mop
interior exterior of the large vehicle
earnestly geared up readying for the task
began guiding mom, "this is how we roll! "
at the corner of her mind ulterior motive lurk
Squealing unsuspecting nayto scrubbed.
Team work is being inculcated in their hearts.
her parents approved when she playfully engaged
in planting seeds for lifetime lessons
helping out following orders while having fun
such is teaching methodology of a wise woman

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Third Sonnet

nieces and nephews, Happy Epiphany!
I have misgivings about your four days stay.
you guys are demanding unhelpful messy
I am so drained literally this holiday.
Hours of cooking in the yard.
watching you run play ball consoling when you fall
intervening whenever you bicker hard
Stop it kids! It's getting its toll.
Your ma uncles and aunts back in the old days
we took care of one another.
grew up being responsible troops
washing dishes clothes cleaning the house taking shower
sitting the whole day in class has become your task
carrying all school materials excusing you from house work

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Kutee Sonnet

enigmatic holy ground once in a year
the religious entourage abode for two three days
host the nation and nationalities desire.
Field heartfelt opportunities thrive without inhibitions.
Worshippers strictly follow the teachings of Epiphany.
Harmonica players attracting crowd of their own
the moves displayed punctuated by gyrations mainly.
Some end up having fruitful liaison some do it for fun.
Cultural clothing, singers, dancers at your disposal.
Unique ways and traditions unfolding before your eyes.
The exchange will have a lasting image in your soul
if you're willing to bask in what the place offers.
It's a melting pot decisive in strengthening bindings.
Jan Meda which pulsate with human interactions!

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My Sonnet

Epiphany celebrated at my old village
the garment for the day is white!
How do all these people manage
to bring out such wonderful sight!
The gong echoing from Saint George church
heralding the ark with its procession began journey
to Jan Meda where all representatives of saints merge!
Christians ululating, applauding, eulogizing zealously
the drum beats burrowing deep into hearts from afar.
Choir boys girls deacons prompting diligently
people bow down when the ark draws near
decorated costumes of high priests mesmerizing
being part of this religious holiday
glory to the son of God on this blessed day!

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Wedding

'Keep your promise! ' 'But you put me up to this! ' She bound me during the teen years.'I'll be your bridesmaid, you'll be mine when I get married.' We drifted apart years passed. Now am to join the wedding frenzy. Four bridesmaids, different body sizes, roamed around the city. Made stops at bridal houses, trying on clothes shoes accessories. I preferred traditional way of dressing. Two bridesmaids settled for flat shoes. Couldn't walk right in high heeled ones. Makes sense. But! Bride righteously ordered, we strictly follow whatever she said. It is no use arguing. Brides are known for overreacting. Eve of the wedding night, was spent between dancing and going to the hair saloons. We submitted ourselves from the neck up, hair washed rinsed dried, different stylists tended. Makeup artists followed. I hope they enjoy their art. What have they done to us? I started giggling when I saw my face, we look like monsters!

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Custom

the yard, full of Enset, a tall bamboo house stood, in the midst, shaped like elephant, am fascinated, all houses in this Dorze village, use bamboo, to build their houses fences, bamboo plantation is everywhere. I. would love to live here. Papa brought me, to his birthplace, so I visit, my grandparents. The sun is going down, grandpa working in the garden, papa is talking to him. An elderly man rushed in to the yard. Both didn't say anything. I edged close to papa. Grandma stopped what she was doing. Started crying still carrying, the machete. She was cutting Enset. The man circled the big house, came closer to kneel before grandma. Placed his right hand on hers, he was saying something, in their tongue.

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Lost

four years stay in high school, fun filled and blissful, green skirts white shirts, femininity each one exudes, place was haven we all possess, time to leave. Exam result was good, family neighbours friends were proud, joined the university, not far from my vicinity, the institution symbolised, a whole lotta things, abide by rules and regulations, get along with students, make sure you become good citizens, you are your own person, trusted to make sensible decision, first semester a disaster, lectures in large halls, lots of boys few girls, couldn't concentrate on the lessons, intimidated by their abundance, everywhere in the campus, orientation goes down the drain, ditched classes avoided reading halls, failed a mid term exam, teacher summoned to his room, got severe scolding, he believed I was abusing, such a privilege. Who's to judge? These overwhelming thoughts, distracting me from the lessons. Where did they come from? at the time I couldn't fathom, the root cause of the problem.

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Drive

is different at every event. first time I runned, the joy I felt! It was simply
priceless! The connection with thousands, the stampede on the
asphalt roads, looking at the yellow T-shirts we worn, with
such admiration, felt like I was in a flower garden, vibrating with
anticipation, to cover the ten kilometers, you don't have to be
athletes. Everyone waited to surge forward, making happy noises of every
kind, at the end of the course, medallion awaits, another
drive at Women First, turned me into a believer of March Eight,
supporting all its teachings, at every race for fifteen years,
women who toil in the house, those who carry firewood from a distance,
must learn better ways, educating women from all walks
of life, men joining them to ease the strife, promoting
gender equality, planning family size wisely, for the welfare of
society, little girls learning about confidence, participating
in the five kilometers race, with parents relatives friends.
Investing in oneself befits all, icon women diligently tell. Challenging drive of a
run, when I signed up for Haile Marathon. I promised myself to prove what
am capable of, race commenced as early as six, coped well
in the first two hours, runned enthusiastically, resorted to jogging
eventually. Runners from different parts of the world,
rushed past me with such speed, they seemed unfettered, by the
hot temperature, for me it was torture, I lagged behind far
behind, limped the rest of the way undeterred. taking
off my shoes, covered forty two kilometers, within five hours at
my own pace.

emebet mesfin

Migration

anxiety brought about stomach ache. strange, don't you think?
expectation is high all around, fresh start is what you need, in a foreign
land. excitement non-existent. Why is that?
Plane leaves in the evening. Didn't start packing. day stretched
out gaping commenced washing, to ease the knotting,
engrossed in the tiring task, time wore on noon struck, worn out
worth it. Water has a therapeutic effect. afternoon, let's
begin. packing demands systematic action, placing chunks in a
befitting fashion. not to go beyond allocated weight. Be
quiet, you all, I got it, it's my load to carry don't worry. luggage
contained food items among other things, till one gets
acquainted, to the weather, to the people,
to their ways, especially eating habits, these food items
serve as a basis, in the integration process. Ready or not.
Checking point at the airport. here are plane ticket and passport. No
visa to present. rummaged fervently in my back bag, gasped out
loud remembering, forgotten it back home. HOME?
subconsciously sabotaging the journey, what does this
mean? flying overseas plunging into the unknown,
squeezing bits of your life in a bag, relocating your whole being,
frightening disheartening, to rush into an abyss, undoing what
you woven for years.

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Mushrochu

'I found love of my life,
who consented to be my wife'.
Elders were sent to his beloved.
to ask for her hand.
'We need to talk to our daughter,
we'll have to make sure.
It's not easy to give away.
the apple of our eye.'
Messengers were told to come back
when fasting end.
They went back when it did.
'We accept your request.
Let's celebrate! '
Wedding date was set.
on Miazia twenty first.
Another fasting season gave reason.
to each family plenty time for the preparation.
Honey was bought to make tej.
only a month took Mulu to manage.
Gesho, malt, soaked and roasted maize;
barley to brew tella with.
Teff flour to bake injera, wheat for the bread.
Men took extra care to find,
ox for the raw meat as well as fried.
Women toiled in the house,
they went shopping for clothes, shoes
and all kinds of accessories.
Eve of the wedding day.
getting ready in every possible way.
Men to the barber shops.
Women to hair saloons.
It is the big day!
Groom looking wonderful in his attire,
sat emanating such heart warming smile.
Four men all dressed alike next to him,
posed for the camera in the packed room.
In the white tent, family waited.
Groom was ushered accompanied.
Much photographed filmed.

to the professionals content.

With his parents, siblings, nieces, nephews,
aunts, uncles, inlaws, friends, neighbors.

Time to leave.

Groom rose, bent to kiss parents' knees.

'Thank you for raising me good.

Thank you for bringing me to manhood.

Thank you for the nurturing love.

It will serve me to bestow on my house.

Thank you for everything, my folks.'

The fifth child of the family,

thus began his journey.

The Mercedes and all those cars,

took him to his bride's.

The men tried to sing their way in,

'anasgebam sergegna edej yiteгна! '

teased the women.

The wedding singer with his accordion,

led the groom and his men inside,

to the veiled bride who patiently waited.

Misty eyed groom approached.

lifted the veil and gazed.

His heart melted.

Kissed his bride's forehead.

Helped her up, she slipped her right hand.

Through his left arm,

they left the room entwined.

Best men joined the bridesmaids in yellow dresses

All drove to the wedding lunch in vehicles.

Ululating applauding singing people welcomed,

the happy couple to the hall beautifully decorated.

Blessings prayers were given by the priest.

Then it was time to lavishly feast!

emebet mesfin

Freshman Thief (2)

intent on spotting Chuchu from a distance,
was oblivious to who happened behind us.
'University lessons are given here today? '
we turned startled at what passerby say.
My mom's aunt with her niece's son,
no where to hide no where to run.
Endale frowned witnessing my confusion.
Beki nudged him they walked on.
My mind raced to provide reason.
Why would they come this way anyway?
Were they heading to Saint George Church?
What about the monthly visit?
Endale had with doctor for his heart?
She raised ma in a strict manner.
I imagined her creating uproar,
when she confront my mother.
'Your daughter lied to your face,
she sure will bring you disgrace. '
'I must go home! I am done for! '
it took a while to calm me down.
visiting aunt of ma would leave town,
back to Metehara, I wished in vain.
Chuchu showed up wearing nice dress.
'Please forgive me, my dear friends!
My parents wouldn't leave the house! '
walking towards the taxi stop gloomily,
boarded on one rode in it quietly.
resourceful Beza cracked jokes,
we loosened up giggling in abundance.
Autobus Terra, what a place!
The deafening noise which met us!
when we stepped out of the taxi,
people coming and going out of the city,
rushed past us with agility.
Mimi led the way towards the house,
where we hoped to dance,
trailed behind her expectantly,
her relatives welcomed us warmly.
In the villa, no music no festivity,

exchanged looks as we sat down,
waxed floor of dining room, shone!
Mimi queried puzzled:
'no guests? Are we the only ones then? '
'There's a change of plan.
Overnight party till dawn.'
She tried her best to save her face.
'We're here! Let's enjoy ourselves!
Get up! Get up! Let's dance! '
Music was on which didn't cheer,
any of us oh dear oh dear.
We munched on cookies,
sipped soft drinks.
Mimi begged we stood in circles,
felt so wrong to start a party,
invited or not we felt guilty.
The host wasn't ready.
it was pathetically hilarious,
to watch us move so lifeless.
Mimi gave up apologized profusely,
we left bidding goodbye to her family.
Elsa and I were released,
after handing bag and ID.
'Go home now.
Report after classes on Monday.'
What a Saturday!

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Freshman Thief

'Stop her! don't let her out! '
yelled a guy from behind,
alerting the guards as he runned.
turned to look, bewildered,
he was in hot pursuit.
Did I see him around Law Lounge or not?
'Saw her put something inside,
this shoulder bag she carried.'
He was breathless I was baffled
'search her and find out what she hid.'
How suspiciously he looked!
when the bag was opened.
Campus swarmed with informants,
this was year before Derg Regime falls.
Kenyan made basket like bag,
wasn't mine truth be told,
was fashionable at the time
we slung it around.Oh so fine!
Belonged to Losa
so does some of the accessories,
which we used to beautify ourselves.
half of the clothes are of Elsa's,
shoes in a plastic bag I possess.
somewhere before fifth gate,
something made me put it.
In the bag.
That was my undoing.
we needed the things for the day.
dormitory life didn't work that way.
'Shoes, clothes, accessories,
permission paper from your proctor, please? '
'Don't have, ' piped I in small voice.
'You know the rules. Go back and get.'
'I can't. I don't stay in the dormitory.'
'Say what? Show me your ID.'
'Freshman year? What have we here? '
Elsa and Losa were around,
waiting for me till I appeared.
Elsa edged closer and started,

'excuse me, am her friend,
here is my ID.
I am a student.
all the things she carried
to the three of us, it belonged.'
'Accomplice, are you? Join us you must.'
'What about you? ' Losa recoiled in fright.'
I am not a student.
a friend to both present.'
'Go away then. We need to question these.'
Informant was assigned to take us,
to the campus prison around dormitories.
What's going on?
What have I done?
The questioning so disarming.
'First year students disobeying?
Second month you do things your way?
Why did you come on a Saturday?
Why did you go to the dormitory?
The classmate who collaborated,
she will be punished.
Let's say we believed what you said,
why did you transfer from your hand?
what did you exactly have in mind?
did you come to steal on purpose?
You are not convincing we surmise.
Hard lesson should be taught,
you'll spend here tonight.'
Were we to be treated like palace prisoner?
This was my worst nightmare!
Among the stories I heard
specially one lingered.
There's a tunnel beneath the campus prison,
Emperor Haileselassie had it built during his reign.
My nervousness knew no bounds,
Elsa was composed I was in tears.
The guards laughed.
Elsa comforted, scolded.
I wasn't easily consoled.
What a day we've had!
Mimi invited five of us to a home party,
to her cousin's house around Autobus Terra vicinity.

Elsa and I changed clothes and shoes,
in the room of our classmate's.
Losa met us with all accessories,
Menelik Square was the meeting place.
Chuchu took forever it wasn't fair.
five girls in mini skirts,
disregarding onlookers stares.

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Participants 2

Casanchis!

busiest noisiest,
lots of men loitering about,
the bus stop hurling insult,
at girls how senseless,
passengers boarding on and off taxies,
helpers fighting over clients,
two runners walked away avoiding,
being smothered by cat calls disheartening,
why oh why did my ears fetch?
words awful than strong stench,
I was tempted to lash out,
my face burned I wanted to vent,
soon as I left Casanchis behind,
I knew I would have a mind sound.

Ourael Church loomed!

as I drew near,I was spellbound,
mesmerized by sea of women from a distance,
gliding towards Atlas International Hotel with such grace,
the event annually surface at the entrance.

DJ was playing encouraging songs,
screaming women in throngs,
danced laughed bubbling like kids,
taking group pictures especially selfies.

I moved about with such giddiness,
came face to face with November bride,
carrying a child in her womb with pride,
congratulated her hugging her tight,
we squealed at each other in delight,
she nudged me so I look to my right,
pleasant surprise when I turned,
in the middle of screaming women stood,
Etiye Alemnesh,the sixty year-old.

I enveloped her in a bear hug,
expressing my admiration for having,
the will to participate in the run.

In a circle, lovely beings with whom I worked with,
for three years till I changed path,
exchanged heart warming hugs and kisses,

one brought along her daughters!
spent sometime having group pictures,
we exercised some before race begins,
watching and doing like the dancers.
Nine o'clock struck!
Women First Run 2017!
Eleven thousand participants moved forward in unison!
each exerting effort of her own.

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Participants

to wear shorts I needed to fix,
my unshaven legs as early as six.
learned the hard way to remove in my teen years,
often wounded by bruising remarks of village boys,
whenever I wore my skirts.
How they teased!
for seeing hair on my legs,
as if it were unnatural to possess.
Women are not respected.
Mentality hasn't changed.
helpers and shoe shiners showered abuses,
when they saw me in shorts,
this happened at the Mazoria,
buses and taxies waiting area.
Directly and indirectly,
dampening my high spirit swiftly,
heard one say to the other,
'what's she after?
this is calling for disaster! '
Nothing! I screamed inside,
it was hard not to mind
'has she left? Not yet? '
groaned with all his might,
among the gaping people who were about,
the runners wearing pink and blue shirt,
moved away from cause of the incident.
I was amused at that.
Are they acknowledging what the boys are insinuating?
endured everything putting up brave front.
Wearing shorts is a crime?
I hope not.
wish I could tell how liberated I felt.
Arat Killo!
Runners, hello!
seemed like a meeting place for most participants,
who arrived from different locations.
Annoying helpers of mini buses,
'fare is ten birr up to the spot!
Get in, get in you'll be late'

'Say what? '
fare is two birr and seventy five cent,
shot up just like that
because of today's race?
Helpers, I don't need this!
hit the road downwards.
Thing I like about Sunday mornings,
less cars crowding the asphalt roads,
making it possible for,
pedestrians to breathe fresh air.
Crossed the street at the Statue of Liberty,
hoping to get taxi
at the Education of Ministry,
but I did not so I gladly resort,
to walking.
Selassie Traffic Light
was oh so quiet,
no cars blaring horns
zooming by like other days.
The Palace to my left
the soldiers camp to my right,
my favorite vicinity,
when I sometimes swing by
I went down the African Park,
enjoying the breezy air with a satisfied look,
took a turn before Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
watched men in front of Hilton jumping ropes.
Circled the hotel winding upwards
crossed the street once again,
to the other part of town.
Casanchis!

(part one)

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Yeselech Rucha

festive atmosphere
great to be here.
displaying pink at the front,
blue color at the back full of print.
worn by eleven thousand participants.
each one exuding admirable confidence.
women from all walks of life,
spreading infectious smile,
eager to begin the five kms race.
it's a bit different this year,
a challenge is set by Messeret Defar.
expectant runners
sing dance scream take picture.
while they wait
how vibrant they are in their gait!
Women First Run came about,
fourteen years ago to honor March Eight.
uplifting slogans punctuate within,
awakening consciousness of each woman.
the role she has in the society,
promoting diligently gender equality. inculcating in the mind of a wife,
family planning for a better life
because I am a girl is a clear statement,
invest in yourself no matter what.
it is the only way to bring out,
qualities of these icon women present,
who help the country in shaping,
economically as well as socially contributing,
the expertise they had acquired,
in their own respective field.
two female hosts were on stage,
Munit Mesfin was assigned to urge,
the Expat community,
using her engaging ability,
unleashed her charm in abundance,
she tones it down when she sings.
'Are you ready for the challenge?
Did you train well so you manage?
To cover the five kms,

before thirty five minutes? '
asked the crowd with a frown,
Betty Wanos the comedian.
This was greeted with such uproar,
heralding how ready runners were!

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Geletoma Hadeto

daughter of grandpa!
always welcoming always accepting
always accommodating always radiating!
never saying I but surrounded by individuals,
who demand your attention at all times.
encompassing all comforting soothing,
honoring each family member's wishes.
never buckling down under duress.
shedding tears of happiness as well as sadness,
worries tribulations didn't weaken your large heart,
sustaining love you have for the solid bread winner,
helped you to overcome in gracious manner.
all the qualities that define you,
the experiences that you acquired over the years,
they are like a second nature,
fitting you like a glove, mother dear.
your endurance gives me strength,
didn't need to be schooled to know your worth.
got a lot of questions to ask,
you toil from dawn to dusk,
to keep the family together,
creating conducive atmosphere,
on a daily basis!
why am I not like you, mom?
am short tempered losing patience,
pleasing nature I don't possess.
I help in the house grudgingly,
is that why my cooking not tasty?
the baked injeras not having circle shapes?
dishes I present edible but not enjoyable.
do I go to great lengths to be like you?
or I don't try at all for real?
burning incense needs expertise?
am incensed at this!
wait a minute, mother!
you do things effortlessly.
That's that.
let me keep on basking
in your nurturing nature.

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Unravelling

that little girl's inquisitiveness. came alive after four decades. she developed aversion to physical love, distrusting all when the right time arrived. years of being subjected to pang after pang, which destroyed all forms of yearning. she spent her life in shame concealing, she blamed herself for not telling. what exactly drew them to her? what did they see when they hovered? tender age or not she was also at fault, quietly giving service of a sort. she remembers them all one by one, turning her into a plaything of their own. is this the same hole which they call sacred? why was it then so much desecrated? who was the one that started? how did the others follow? where were the parents, neighbours, playmates? do all little girls go through these ordeals? defilers came and went as they please. always keeping separate times. they did things to her for years without remorse, watchful passive little girl laid there motionless. she knew it was inappropriate, she didn't tell she bore it. internalized her feelings wondering for years, adults are capable of doing hurtful things. was she scared to confide in her mommy? powerless woman would have given her away, to his highness who ruled the day, who worked in factories cities overseas, who only understood machines, he beats up his kids to discipline, that was his way of being stern. he was feared by family looked down by others, for his overprotectiveness, little girl rejected domesticity, she resented society. they taught her badness inwardly, preached goodness outwardly. her mood swings affected siblings, quarrelled with friends and classmates, no one investigated cause of her distress, gone was all forms of belief, little girl has fallen the cliff. she stopped going to their know-it-all house. she pulled herself from the douse.

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Emancipation

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Dangle

Showing domestic audience when you start. What you created from the aching heart. Taking your film around the world. I ask you: what is it all about? Heart rending relationship between lamb and lad. Symbolical liason if you care to mind. Dangle is a native name given to the lamb. Dangle could also serve as a reason to weave a web. About the motherland at its best. Traditional farmers depending heavily on seasonal rainfall. Caught off guard waiting in vain. Drought struck! Hope is lost. People and cattle perished. It's severe for it's merciless. Mom is taken to heaven, alas! Lamb, lad, grieving dad flee the place. They moved far away to settle with relatives. Drought does dispossess your dignity. Ask the lad who nurtured the ability. To care for lamb with such sensitivity. Watch and learn those who yearn. Lad and lamb will teach you to assuage. Your aching heart in life's passage. Pain eases tell your stories. Create a bond with those around. You will cope better in a foreign land. Watch Dangle again and again. It covers a whole lot of domain. Drought, loss of a parent, migration. Hope, relocation, tough life, discrimination. Cooking, reminiscenc, coping, submission. Wherever you dangle to or whenever. This is the best film to favor.

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Enqutatash

It is New Year's Eve today. Burdening with duties this Saturday! It will close chapters of the old year. Busily ushering in the 2009 with loud cheer. This annual change. Making me feel so strange. It's not people at all. But passage of time which call. All the shots! Am envious at what time does. It all seems effortless. Downpour from the sky for three months. Sometimes heavily. Sometimes lightly. When rain started out falling tentatively.. City's dirt retaliated mercilessly. People paid dearly for not clearing up properly. Contagious disease claimed lives. Time didn't take heed. Rained as it should. Flowed as it would. Wait a second. It also healed. Washed away the dirt. The guilt. The hurt. You can look back or ahead. You can think high or low. Go slow. Go slow. This past year was I better or bitter?
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Fabric

Rich farmer lots of children. Wife died tempo disrupted grief stricken. His half sister with issues of her own. Abducted his favorite daughter. Uprooted her from her birth place. One of her brothers was the accomplice. The eight year old changed her pace. New city became her new identity. Was it the sugar cane? Sweetening her life thus? She blended aunt diligently helped. Sent her to school raised her good. Rode bicycle to move around. At the paper factory when she worked. Whenever school closed. Aunt didn't mind. She met him there. He pursued her. She was only sixteen. Chapter Two. Defied the aunt married the man. Started her journey without a plan. Family unit strengthened thanks to first born. Happiness reigned, woman thrived. Half a year baby fell ill. Gone to heaven bereaved woman stood still. What made her trust life once again? What was the reason? Was it the love for the man? Was it the belief not to question? Accepting must be her nature. Or! Support group helped her to move on? Comforting massaging her belly with butter? A little of this a little of that. Second child is here let's name her! Another town woman didn't groan. Followed man loyally he's her guardian. A baby boy oh what a joy! On second thought. So demanding so draining. Pushed aside his sister oh dear oh dear. Chapter Three. On the move once again do not frown. Man is trying family unit is growing. To the capital city full of opportunity. Man struggled buckled but never surrendered. Happy family life sustained him good. Day time laborer night time scholar. The fourth child is so pretty. Sunshine befitted her beauty. The happy woman weaving her nest in earnest. Welcomed her father, siblings, extended family members. Frequently visited she radiated. Her accommodating nature won her neighbours. Her house is full no distress. Regarding her husband who fought hard. Couldn't get paid as he should. He was forced to make the biggest decision. Gave up fighting for cause which wasn't his own. Family comes first he was no politician. He became a seaman fifth child wasn't one. Chapter Four. her life was lost without him, she cried so hard life became grim. She endured a lot making ends meet, did Socialism helped or hindered? For adults it must have been hard. Food was rationed. Life was censored. Ethio-Somali war dictated everything to the War Front! Contribute yourself to the utmost. Children had fun take heed. Songs of war filled their head. Staged and played out wars of their own. Reenacting hilariously what was going on. Schools promoted ideologies of the government. Activists advocated to their hearts' content.

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Mandela

Mentor.African. Dedicated to better humanity. Invincible through his personality.
Bright face lighting the world. Astounding love he had for mankind.M A D I B A!

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Yetekekele Bekolo

Rainy season. Boiled corn. Inseparable. Which comes first? In the city of ours. The way we treat rain, must sound like man's invention. Rain and corn. Appear around the same time. People enjoy the corn. Grumble about the rain. Why does it rain in the day? It can pour down to its content when we lay. Down for the night. But I ask again. Which comes first? Corn? Rain? Is this the rainy season. Or a reason to feast in boiled corn? There are corns. And there are corns. Brought to the capital city. People boil and eat them. The way I see it: boiled corn has taken over the menu. At home outta home. The street vendors selling corns. Give such flavor to the wet season. Standing before steamy corns. Holding their hooks. When you approach your nostrils will be filled with, such sweet smell of boiled corns! Must be fun selling what you're boiling. Right there on the spot. Look at the steel midjas full of coal fire. Huge steel pots full of corn. You can put more and more. Build blocks of corn towers! Cover them with plastic bags. Marvel at your expertise. Delight your customers. Bask in the smell of corns!

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Thankful

Unperturbed you fulfilled God's will. You pulled me back from untimely insanity. Not scolding not condemning patiently nudging. Me towards the safest place on the shore. Telling me not to disrupt what's in store. Thank you, mommy dear, for helping me to endure. Certain aspects of life so I could be able to cure. Myself from temporary madness popularizing only me. Putting in danger the growing foundation of family. Tears I shed washed out the fears I had. Teachings I heard from the priest you implored. To put the fear of God in my divided heart-helped. Not to dwell on who has it all. How to withstand adversity with gracious humility. 'Honor the vow do not just throw. Learn to settle row by taking it slow. Be content with what you have. You can prosper when you strive. Together shouldering one another. Stop arguing you will end up suffering.' Mother I wonder, will it ever end the love you extend? Going at this rate, when the right time comes I bet. I'll be a granny but you'll always be my mommy. I hope I'll learn to cope with up and down. Designing patterns befitting problems of my own. You did say worry in theory is weary. But in practice it's a reminder so you notice. What's done and isn't on a daily basis. No pretence you just immerse. Yourself with engulfing abundance. You never cease to amaze me, mother. The way you hold your family together. Providing security to each and all. Sheltering the good the bad in your stall. Mom, I have a proposition. I would like you to join. Hands with Her Highness at the court. Who found my divorce case hard to treat. As just another case on her to do list. She took time and effort to put in some human thought. Which gracefully blended with the articles printed. 'Present your case among family and friends. Most of all give priority to your kids. Do not rush to destroy what's built over years. Sit down discuss work out your differences.' You see mom, how each one of you revived. The goodness in me in twofold!

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Visible Rift

Is the one you saw.
Is the one you heard.
Is the one you comprehend
when I appealed.
I ask you now listen good.
What about the invisible one?
To which I was drawn.
To which you haven't known.
Do not frown.
Am about to explain.
Two decades ago, I looked inside.
I looked around.
Tried to find
my solid ground.
It was nowhere to be found.
So I plunged.
Deep into marriage,
adults approved.
Found people who seemed allied.
Bit by bit I gave in.
Support group encouraged, I shone.
I devotedly served. Become favored.
By him and those around.
'What a woman! What a breed! '
Help! Am losing ground!
This ain't my world!
'Take it easy. You'll get the hang of it.
Just you wait.'
Came along life changing gift.
Welcome baby boy!
You are my source of joy!
Followed the second.
Third.
Fourth
and fifth.
The ups and downs,
the winding roads.
The swamps, the endless gorges.
The hills the mountains.

Did I live through all these?
Have mercy on me heavens above!
This is where I stop,
suffered a lot, I have!
The rift you saw now was conceived before.
Let me go now let me be.
Let me find my way unchain me.
Divorce is a must.
Do not intervene get lost.

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A Strong Woman

he diligently advised
protect yourself day and night.
before we met three establishments I worked at.
he proposed I couldn't believe it.
'Could this happen to me? '
I'm a bride come and see!
he let me invite my friends.
They were happy, a bit envious.
I was in heaven for a whole year.
In the second, his love began to wear.
Out with a diminishing might.
Where did I go wrong?
Could he be right?
Why is he complaining?
Why is he demeaning?
What could be ailing him?
Am the one carrying a child not him.
I am not feeling good.
Is this how pregnancy progressed?
I am sickly all the time.
Can't confide in him not right time.
'Is it mine or one of your customers? '
Why all these accusations?
'You do trust me you said you did.
why are you torturing me, my beloved? '
I stopped contacting my friends.
To please to be in his good grace.
His jealousy got stronger.
Am scared to be seen with him yonder.
I reminded myself regularly.
He changed my life dramatically.
Made me his wife defying society.
In the meantime, am in deep trouble.
I can't go on am not able.
I delivered untimely baby weighing right.
Why did he rush to come out?
Leaving two siblings behind.
They couldn't face the world.
Thank you Lord for letting this one live.

Husband or not I will strive.
Here I go supported by neighbors.
Looking after baby just like theirs.
Started getting money washing clothes.
Working hard for seven days.
Learned about my man.
He's married with children.
Why did he save me from that dark life?
What was missing in his wife?

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Noble Creature

passengers aboard on a horse cart in Dukem
three old men, one young merchant who's solemn
driver under a hat carrying alenga is middle aged
who rearranged five of us till he was satisfied
carton of popular brand of biscuit, two boxes of beer, soft drinks
sack of flour, back bag, plastic bags full of clothes and stuffs
five rolled up korkoro tied between people and horse
all these are pulled by the red brown horse with such force
we are betting on you from the outset
why are you galloping why are you impatient?
take a break and accept my praise first
noble creature!

I stopped and marveled
at each one of you standing dignified
white, black, brown, light brown, brown-red
such grand stature whether or not decorated
bells and other trinkets on you are so deafening
undermining the conversation which is ensuing
inquisitive old men are really wondering
about the lone woman who's seat-sharing
'where are you from where are you heading?
we couldn't recognize you from what you are presenting.'
shall I tell them I came looking for solace?
among the dead as well as alive ancestors
running away from the polluted and noisy city of Addis
carrying my burden inside as well as on my shoulders
'the city, heading to Wadjitu on a visit
granddaughter of Biratu Gurmu, the late.'
tried to place me discussing intensely
joined in their conversation to help them willingly
'you know the old man by the name Dechassa or Shumi? '
'you mean Aba Sissayu? ' 'he is the husband of aunt Gete.'
why was it important to identify me?
what good did it do them you fathom?
they wore me out with questions
didn't volunteer to talk about theirs
oh well. better concentrate on getting rid of polluted
thoughts which I have been feeding myself lately like food
Dear God, you must be here. I can feel your presence

when I look at peaceful surrounding place like this
no buildings, no highways or byways block my view for miles
I can look at the black Earth, the farmland, the mountains
from afar with such ease and I give thanks
no honking of cars in this part of the world
no jostling, no pushing or pulling of crowd who milled
about with or without purpose in the stifling city
trying to lead everyday life without unity
what say you, my majestic beauty?
whose idea was it when it all started
turning you into a vehicle heavily chained
look at this cart!
it is made of metal and wood
you silently pull
these materials
people of every size
their different goods
you are condemned
to lead a life of misery which has no bound
pushing out those frond legs to the world
you trudge on day in day out till you are worn out
every driver pushes you without much thought
by the way,
talk about the three obstacles on the way
full of ups and downs and make you sway
these three holes are not mended for years
nobody cares neither drivers nor passengers
here we go! face your worst nightmares
driver stopped the cart and gave orders
'get down! get down! cross to the other side on foot.'
we all vacated obliging the captain of the cart
at a trying time like this where is the endearment
driver forcing you through with such harsh treatment
obstacle overcame!
good job, red-brown!
we boarded once again
some bad things have a specific nature
must you be exposed to such torture?
horses are for riding not for pulling
or are we using you for having
our frustrations out
or what?

May 17,2016

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Breaking Up

Lord forgive me for I have sinned. I left my children and husband. My plan is taking an unnatural course. Causing me much stress and distress. Lawyer and I spent a year. To figure out best way to gear. Up towards high and low of divorce proceedings. But nobody informed me how it consumes. What I built up over two decades. Who makes unwritten rules out of court rooms. Advice and suggestions gobbled me up without remorse. Seemingly good intentions, bruising me. How merciless. Support group! This ain't going anywhere I declare. I need my family back! I swear! Can't you see am disintegrating? Your bickerings are far from helping. You are venting out without much thought. How you put up with your own lot. This ain't about you I fear. I am not asking you to endorse your. Sorry ups and downs using my cause. I get it. Everybody has got issues! Put yourself in my shoes. Marriage served me as a shield. Kept me safe against the harsh world. Need I remind you? When I fought with boys to defend my honor. You made me feel like I was destined to war. You used to admire the fire. Which burnt some teenagers when they hire. Forceful means of expressing desire. Did you know th. is. though? I wasn't brave at all. I fought hard not to fall. Thanks folks folks for the hard lesson. It wasn't a big deal when woman was beaten. Things haven't changed much since then. You watched in silence when your daughters struggled. You were outrageous when they fail to be established. In a society which did little to comprehend. The confining conditioning lifestyle you are accustomed. To which they find themselves fully involved. Confusing norms draining their youth. High expectations from adults in the path. didn't contribute positively when they rise. To the level of becoming their own person. You know I settled for a mature man. Best life battle won but you frown. Puzzled by my untimely decision. She could have had some fun. Before slipping into flowing matrimonial gown. Confession time! It wasn't only to be respected. By you and your kind that I resorted. To the world which you approved. Losing sight of your role as a guide. Reaping what you didn't saw. Claiming rightfully hiding your flaw.

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Ethiopian Easter

fasting season is to be over
scary
are we going back to killings?
correction please
are we going to slay sheep, oxen, chickens?
we should. we would.
much ado to feast
don't just drop the praying and the fasting
you still are expected to be abiding
most of all, stop worrying
stop carrying the burden of feeding
it only weighs you down
for it is not the way to crown
the Lord who died for your sin
you are not justified if you do this really
trying to feed one or many spending much money
I know media is deafening
informing listeners who are preparing
'Hear! Hear! City dwellers of Addis!
we collected and sifted for hours
price on onion rose.'
mothers grinding spice froze.
you can't replace this prominent ingredient
cooking is nothing without it
is media helping?
or hindering?
it is so frightening.
true, onion rules without scruples
be it at atkilt terra or at street vendors
the ahhs and ohhs emanating from those toiling in the house
field reporters from different channels
not caring for the misery they caused
blundered on, 'price of three types of butter
legga, mekakelegna endihum besal which is bitter
is going up at different marts we happen to venture
type one livens up the dulet, kinche, and cheese
type two mostly accentuates flavor of the alicha merek
type three is purely reserved for dorro wot
Easter without chicken is inconceivable

wait a minute! let's not miss price of eggs
'cost of one is close to four birr'
women wailed: 'how unfair!
I bought a week ago somewhere
two eggs for this new price I now hear.'
time to ponder. change the order
making a difference is trending
Planet Earth is demanding
bring out your biblical nature
here is your chance to go through scripture
be good do good
be a servant to human kind
be grateful be gladdened
be humbled by what you find
do not judge lest you will be judged
feed those who are starved
provide garment for the unclothed
comfort the bereaved

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Dark Humour

constant reminder in a nation next to the drought.
is the doling out of electricity, no doubt.
are they entwined in some wicked way
through natural course of the day
am so confused help me out
people of Addis are complaining left and right
take a moment or two
which weighs the heaviest to you
lack of light disrupting your city life
the drought cutting down people like knife.
you can spend a day or two in a lighted village
no food no drink no resistance.
can you manage to go to a better place till it is past?
to be able to be rid of the continuous fast?
would you be willing to transport yourself?
to the next city imposing on someone else's turf?
would your emaciated body find solace?
settling down to recuperate in a strange place?
thinking faculty numbed bodily function sharpened.
sitting and waiting to be fed.
being examined till doctors are satisfied.
nourishment through measurement is engaged
to determine your fate among a thronging crowd.
don't get me wrong just come along.
I know this universal fact.
man without food and drink is nothing.
let me take you to another dimension.
what am about to say ain't my invention.
drought in this country has a vicious circle.
lack of light in the city is here to ridicule
how humanity is incapacitated.
confirming human value is debilitated.
identifying personality is compromised.
when drought struck.
stand still. Undertake a task.
light candles, forget about electricity.
but do starving people disheartened ones have ability?
to give off human light which once was their birth right?
electricity is so light drought is might.

sorry for comparing without considering
the true meaning of suffering.
drought robs off your identity.
reducing you to a beggar's mentality.
this needs more light.
buy a generator to finish what you start.
resume whatever was on your plate before light went out.
imagine this though if you might.
try living a life without food.Can't even fart.
let me break it down please don't frown.
I tried to go without food for a week.
my body needed a refill.
I weakened.
It reacted.
I denied it.
It persisted.
I withstood.
A hungry man is an angry man isn't just a song.
I was out of my mind when my tummy rung!
gritting my teeth till I dropped
didn't help me to understand the starved
apologies here and there my experiment failed.
I went back to eating and drinking.
I buckled.
to make sense of what's happening.
better go to the affected area commence contributing.

April 12,2016□

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emebet mesfin

Amesegnalehu

?????Hundaol is above all. Your birth taught me to care. Bringing out my true nature. How to share humanity ware. Inherited features from Ababa's ancestors. When he relates, sits, and specially sleeps. Nephew whose disposition is to please everyone. Is it because he is in the middle?

???Hanna is God's given gift to the world. Came out of womb of emancipated brand.

Built like an athlete with a flair. Black smooth shoulder-length hair. Inherited independence from birth. Mother defied the practice accepted at hearth. Get married serve your husband. Mother asked more community frowned. Making money doesn't give you right. Hanna's and siblings world came apart. Parents parted harmony is lost.

?????Hiwot is life. Luck is embedded somewhere in her nature. Success story in every venture. Sister who now administers, the doses of life from a distance. Is this the way to cope with a place, which force submissive existence? The spark she had during childhood. Taken by her second breed. Reminding me how I used to be maddened. Resourceful noisy cheeky. Used to make me prickly.



?????Meskerem is the beginning of Ethiopian New Year. Beautiful, assertive, decorative, inventive sister. Fought and often won battle with boys. Adored by her friends who admired her ways. Drawn was she at the right time to her husband. Closed the chapter of childhood. Surrendering gratefully to womanhood. Mothered and raised five in her hive. Shining outwardly enduring a lot with perplexing drive.

????: Mesfin is equivalent to prince. Did he liken himself to Rasselas? Son, brother, father, uncle, grandfather, husband.: He still works hard trusting his hand. Life is a university he always preached. Still lords it in his fortress at seventy unperturbed

???Mulu meaning full is useful to hold together her family, in her own basketry. A mother, a grandmother and a wife. Who is leading life as it comes shouldering strife. She is my god, my earth, my sky, my sea. When I put myself in her shoes, I clearly see. The universe in me.

???Samuel is either name of God or God has heard. My brother who gather the family together. At an early age, wearing the cloak of responsibility. That's the

depth of his ability.

????Simon is humble, calm, good natured, top student then, still excels in any way he can. Related by marriage to manage life in a city strange. The fair complexion often mistaken, for a rightful citizen. It opens doors even before he knocks. Worries a lot. Tell you what you get it! Relax and enjoy it! Life is as you make it. Analyze yourself, you made it!

????Simon is the cross bearer. Suffering mother wept unborn baby became appeaser. Land of opportunity almost cost her insanity. Flew back to her roots putting her trust in divinity. Thus nephew dear was trained to gauge, situations beyond his tender age, before he joined the world in a foreign stage.

?????Konjit-the family friend, beautiful just like the name stead. An only child mingling with us on daily basis. Mature was she at an early age. Telling me things that were strange.

Get rid of nail polish when people perish. Talking about death it was hard to relish. Thank you for the lessons on adults. Uncomprehending then but now makes sense.

?????Bekelech is a well balanced name they say. Uprooting a person, no, I never liked your way. You owned wealth combined with admirable strength. Must have given you a reason to bequeath. Yourself with a favored jewel like my mom. Thank you though granny for the bloom. Which was nurtured under your confining roof. Became fruitful despite the undesirable turf. Ma fulfilled your reason to season your maternal desire. We made you granny in our own time.

????Biratu! Favorite grand dad, the love he gave to all unmatched! A rich farmer who thrived in producing descendants in hundreds and Adaa Teff in quintals. He lavished his love unconditionally. Accommodating everyone always smilingly

???? Iris which is the name of the Greek goddess of rainbow. My niece is a delight in her own right. Inquisitive. Daring, months after she came to this world. Exploring moving around with such determined heart. Expanding daringly no matter what. Demanding challenging when you restrict.

????Blessed brother who is apart from me in less than two years. Defended me from group of mean girls in my schools
Who fought with friends. Who fought for friends. Parents came to our house to complain. Ma's gracious nature would help them to contain. Themselves and end up joining force with her. In teaching her son to become better.
Always a keeper if he played soccer. Going places to play in other neighborhoods.

Defying authority prioritizing his adventures.

????Tilbe was the tallest, stern grandfather I had. Vividly remember watching how he weaved. You don't talk to him unless he initiated. You can be around but make sure not to make sound. The only time he was loud far as am concerned. When he talked to Winish with frightening bound. True she didn't hear good. The way he sounded, it would have risen the dead

??????Tesfanesh symbolizes hope. You are the wonderful woman who kept mom warm, sharing your winning personality without equanimity. Took care of your father and siblings.

Perfected the trade of living with limited means. Thank you for being there for mom all these years. Thank you for helping ma sometimes in raising us. Mom's and your friendship withstood two regimes if you care to mind.

??????Atnatyas is name of my daughter. Declared in-law as he first saw her. Niece of mine you always shine. Among four brothers like a queen in shrine. Siblings wardrobe completely changed. Pom's colorful dresses, skirts overflowed. Her mother bought lots of accessories. Hair clips, pony tails, head bands, bows in hundreds. Boys stopped wrestling to understand the sister's stand. Wearing her dresses and cute shoes, she looks grand

????Joel is who that will or commands. The Holy Bible says. Apple of the eye for both parents. Born in a foreign land but people brightened. Just like his dad Obby's appearance has reward. Ethio-American who delight the world when he animatedly bubbled. Or just because he is around

emebet mesfin

Continental Guy

Waited for years for a blend like you to possess
How did I fall within hours of making your acquaintance
Was it your physique which broke down my iron curtain
Not intimidating but protecting like a cushion
You drew me to you accommodating engaging suggesting
Wild cat in me snuggled up to you designing trusting
You worked your charm when you zeroed on your victim
Didn't mind. Didn't care. I have arrived. Let's roam
Gave up my inhibitions, offered myself on a platter
Is there a need to take time and ponder

We're two of a kind, same compound, Mister blend
Be my accomplice in selling out what I weaved
I wanted you not the company am burdened with
We joined force to take comforting course to soothe
Delivered back up safe and sound to the ground
You both felt the hurt concealed it to save the mood
Mission accomplished I was triumphant
Guilt assuaged. Now let's alight through the night
This time let's aim higher. Stop talking and hire
Means to quench our desire and put out the fire

I did the act mechanically over the years
Believing I was supposed to quietly give service
To owner of the tool who drools like a fool
Hovering over a hole unseeing during rise and fall
Tell me what's the rush let's take it slow and flourish
Look and run over the curves with such lavish
Wouldn't it have been better to learn than burn
What a strain to gain momentum through bruising pain
Suppressing my true nature not to express and depress
The giver. Going through the motions denying emotions

Do not stop me I am not out of control
Let me tell you more why you are special
I settled for eternity to my Ethiopian norm

Fearing to come out of the confining realm
Detaching myself hating rather than involving
Watching the act being done rather than participating
Passively acting submitting not imagining yonder
You came along overwhelmed impenetrable core
Diversified experienced sophisticated guy! Am entangled
Am guileless and so are you. Let's join to be refined

Bad idea? No it isn't. Let's take action
Put down your collection for reflection
Clubbing smoking every weekend doesn't make sense
Boothing laughing dancing picking kicking it just once
Enough already. Take up a long term pursuit
We can heal if we must. I promise it won't hurt
Am clueless about this way but I don't care
The world as you know it has changed for the better
Let's plunge deep and discover
It is the only way to recover

emebet mesfin

Ethiopia

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emebet mesfin

Love Version

thought the two guys left for good
leaving behind drinks unfinished

sat on the high chair of the big guy
am glad I did says I to this day

how did we end up shouting
into each others ears huddling

was the music that deafening
or did it bring out the yearning

who initiated the bonding
which moment was defining

inebriated we both were in a club that didn't care
when I appeared wearing my traditional attire

celebrating the true finding with family and friends
day was gone leaving me with myself helpless

contacted company to liven up the drab night
wined dined paid maintained high spirit

talking, dancing, giggling wasn't enough after midnight
wanted some spark to back the stark facing me upfront

we ventured out boarded the musical flight
some unknown force drove me to my knight

set wandering heart and feet at panda for the first time
he's a regular with designated chair to his name

I remember being extensively coached
ups and downs of the adventurous child

of three cultures from this very continent
who blended with all to his heart's content

I was drawn letting go off all my defense
couldn't resist charming man of the universe

closing time at two o'clock didn't make sense
we talked, laughed all the way to his house

Night Nurse was the song which lingered
as we neared the place the role was reversed

authoritative but accommodative doctor took over
leading me quietly to family and relatives up stair

sobriety surfaced handing me to restlessness
the laughter, the intoxicating noise, has come to this

my request was graciously granted
took a shower turmoil quietened

settled on his bed postponing the sync
we talked some more listening to music

it was mesmerizing
watching him patiently waiting

as if in cue we stopped talking
progressed in to deep kissing

took time slowly experimenting
feeling the degree of desire mounting

he knew how to transport me with ease
to the next best level with such expertise

what exactly opened my heart
I was so hooked before the act

emebet mesfin

Exhilarating

free workshops to set your vibes
dig deep within to reach the skies
if you think right you know you might
design life style to your liking overnight

liked what you heard so far? good
be schooled be trained become qualified
be equipped with the world of financial trade
make money so your dreams be fulfilled

have a picnic at Mushrif Central Park
let kids play in the sand till dark
watch film. the huge screen is on
unleash the child in you. have fun

check out the malls in your area
Al Wahda, Abu Dhabi, Marina, Khalidiah
Dalma, Mushrif, wide open spaces of Mazyad
local, International wide range of fashion brand

jewelry, banks, Lulu International Exchange
entertainment facilities for all age
plenty of restaurants and coffee shops
come one come all enjoy musical fountains

take yourself to the Emirates Park Zoo
watch animals learn a thing or two
collect zagols, shells or lie down at Corniche Beach
unearth yourself marvel at what you could reach

Qasr Al Hosn Exhibition has a picturesque mission
presenting the life in the Oasis, falcons used to hunt food
the palm trees, the camels, the desert, the islands,
boat builders, sardine fishers, sailors, pearl divers

Manarat Al Saadiyat heralds the art scene in this city
organized by the Abu Dhabi Tourism and Culture Authority
Universal Expressions bringing most nations from afar
to Saadiyat Island to witness the fusion of talents, together

March 26,2016

emebet mesfin

Teen Crush

four boys in my neighborhood
who were interested craftily zoomed
formed a group to help them scoop
my attention using individual invention
this happening left a lifelong impression
especially when I heard from my friend
who was dubbed a courier of a kind
by one of them who grew up with her
to intervene in his favor
I was informed but wasn't moved
couldn't submit at all to his proposal
when he heard was bewildered
girls he knew wouldn't have dared
to go against advice from peers
got back at me for the diss
telling my friend the group's intent
in getting together to win my heart

the eldest of all pulled out automatically
handling the situation diplomatically
weighing how it would be unfair
competing with a wild younger brother
the third one was so direct
expressing himself as to how he felt
asked me out with such assertion
his ruse being same level of education
I declined deflating his righteous mind
I shouldn't have been told about the boys world
I was hopelessly hooked when I examined
preferred the one who first deserted
chasing him became my mission
waiting patiently during intermission
inside the compound of summer school
followed his every move like a fool
a new era was unfolding before my eyes
am having confusing exciting disturbing desires
my heart pounding when he appeared
aching for his acquaintance, I wondered.

why oh why wasn't he like his brother?
who smoothly blended like the weather
befriended my sibling through pigeoning
started bringing to our house
his colorful pigeons in a large box
the boys summer passion joined force
they searched high and low going around
with other boys in our neighborhood
they spent hours studying their possession
the two of them looking like leaders of a nation
coaching their allies with such strong urge
how to rescue birds when they surge
unsuspectingly into traps set by foes

now I declare if you care
to hear more about teens back then
when school closed in the rainy season
apart from soccer chasing each other
wrestling boxing outsmarting waging war
nothing comes close to lying on the ground
listening to the tottering sound
brought about by the caged pigeons
confining them in boxes with holes
restricting their movements
depriving them
their freedom
now that isn't the only worry
if they let them out to be free
they fly away and will be lost
so they delight keeping them tight

am no pigeon but fell in to
trap set for me by you know who
frequent visitor of brother dear
who succeeded in drawing near
enough to produce the proper means
of approaching the girl he loves
narrating about the pigeons he had

methods he used to keep them sound
dramatizing making me giggle
displaying how they always wiggle
I thrived in his company
became inseparable gradually
his brother didn't mind when I overstayed
for all they know am the girlfriend
decided to clear the air once and for all
pointing out to my friend they caused my fall

everyone thought we were in love
both of us were trying to solve
the problem close at heart
couldn't hide the misery we felt
disclosed the intense feeling I harbored
to the big brother he was horrified
at my relentless audacity guised
in the cloak of friendship
disregarding the relationship
he took no heed no matter how I pleaded
defending his brother who patiently waited
going great lengths to please
covering his hurt not to lose
the friendship he valued
more than the wound he carried
I salute you big brother
for the simple truth you utter
hold on to what you have

Saturday. March 19,2016

emebet mesfin

Tsosingo Abu Dhabi

for everything
is it the magic in you?
is it the magic in me?
what brought out the flood of thought?
day and night whether am out or not
am marveling at what you're offering

remember
first week of January I arrived here and worry
will I make it? will I not?
shall I blend in my own mound?
or let my system absorb it and gauge it
measure the rhythm apply it bit by bit

hello passengers!
people of the world, welcome aboard!
how colorful and vibrant, resourceful and expectant
this city, this melting pot, accommodates all sort
have no fear just be a dear
and venture into a rewarding adventure

remind yourself
analyze and understand the substance you had
in your country from your own ancestry
all kinds of strife cutting you like a knife
which uprooted your solid ground
drove you here to a city full of opportunity

Abu Dhabi!
beautiful host engulfs you at a cost
present your expertise stand by to release
first lesson respect the person
for he matters with all the warts
watch and learn so you govern

your journey
which begins to encompass others
unfolds itself taking you through winding turf
attune to the mood for the common good
as you undertake a task to get paid and bask
in the ambiance of the communal acceptance

you do realize
when you interact you share universal fact
you denounce oneness to thrive in wholeness
I urge you to face challenges of the place
do your best till it is time to rest
I will say it once again to make sure you bargain
you give and receive it is easy to perceive

Tuesday. March 15,2016

emebet mesfin

Child Literacy

where is the place?
where is the space?
where does child literacy take place?
adults let make-believe world replace
the natural order of progress
trivialities filling up their lives
there is no harmony between parents
each one pursuing unfulfilled dreams
acknowledging self-importance
running after unending wants
suppressing nurturing relationships
honor and cherish each other, that's your priority
respecting yourself and others is your responsibility
child is copying all that you are showing
child is learning all what you are doing
child is exploring but you are restricting
don't you see?
won't you see?
sense of his discovery is sharpened
child needs to be guided and molded
screen people are his role models
he is lost in the world of cartoons
in this hectic world of ours
technology took over our lives
watching television, playing video games at tender age
would it drive child towards challenge?
unnatural, unsupervised energy intensified
boundary between child and adult severed
time to change your ways
time to change your ways
let's help child to embrace the world
let's take him to school to be acquainted
teachers and friends are guiding stars
be willing to abide by rules and regulations
schools teach parent through the child
how to navigate oneself for the greater good
inculcate in your child about your heritage
about good manners befitting his age
encourage him to share his knowledge

you are the shining star among those stars
child devotedly follows
whom he blindly trusts
listen to your child all the time
it is when you know you can define
the uncertainties, the confusing thoughts
presented displayed depicted by teachers and friends
diligently collected stored accumulated from others
unravel it to him. revel in it. it is fruitful
you are in this together. it is useful
it is when he is armed with information
he becomes a sharing and caring person
are you ready for this?
are you ready for this?
acknowledge the blissful wisdom coming your way
unheedingly together with reading and writing day by day
relating to others, respecting teachers and friends
talking about parents, family members and relatives
understanding the background of the basics
tell your child so he tells it well to others
through your child world comes to your house
through school experience
your child reveals the universe
reminding you what you nearly miss
when you neglect the world and focus
harping and dreaming about self-importance
it is time to tell your child
so he accepts the diversified world
so he thrives in abundance
my child, you are at the right nurturing place
my child, this is your comfortable space
repeat after me if you would
all the children of the world
I am the world
I am African
I am Asian
I am European
I am North American
I am South American

Wednesday. March 4,2016

emebet mesfin

Lumbar

No proper training
That's what's lacking
Early on when I was petite
Nobody cared
Nobody guessed bones drooped
So I walked and walked
Shoulders bent eyes glued
to the ground
this was how it began
how could have I known?
Healthy living dictates:
stretch. stretch. stretch.
sit upright. walk straight
do not bend
care for your body
mind how you move and groove
to be looked at you have to prove
carry yourself well so world approve
treat your body as a baby
nourish it with love and care
I love my body
I love my mind more
what happened then?
Oh, was I telling a story?
and then, I couldn't give up my true calling
which often requires much, much bending
which goes against rules of grooming
yourself
to feel good. to look good
to live good if you would
I keep my mind fit
washing clothes!
exercising in another form
cleansing in its higher norm
hasn't stopped doing wonders
inside of me you can't see it
for the last thirty or so years
I wash cloth
all smiles I face the next day

telling the world yesterday's hurt
has been ebbed away
oozed out of me it did
these two things
not walking straight
bending for hours washing
damaged my bones.
let me explain
when am down
when I frown
when I groan
one thing, one thing only
is a cure
to procure my sanity
here is what you do for me
get me water in abundance
all the washing materials
linger about or go away
if you may
I have to get rid of the hurt
all the disappointment
washing is my instrument
detoxification is under way!
didn't stop till this day
time out! doctors found out
you can't engage in this physical exercise
you will bring about your early demise
or something like it
they examined the bones
they considered the ropes
what does it mean?
what are you saying?
are you really denying?
my method of cleansing?
it may not be scientific
take it from me
it is really terrific
the final say wasn't mine
doctors ordered
give up your method of cleansing
change of life style is required
you don't want to be confined

to bed for the rest of your life
do you? we dare you
go through this and that treatment
in the meantime
no more washing
no more bending
listen up, doctors!
are you kidding?

March 13,2016

emebet mesfin

Abu Dhabi Rain(Part Two)

look at this one
Is it gray is it not?
Is it black is it not?
Is it blue is it not?
Is it white is it not?
blend of blue black gray and white
I am worried
better head back
thank you, God! I enjoyed my walk
Abu Dhabi settled for one color: black
blend was gone. the rain struck!
frightening
it is still called rain, right?
can't sleep. can't think
let me go to the world of screen people
my last resort when am in a tangle
here we go
Etisalat! What is it? Can't you see what am given?
new places new faces new horizon
intensifying magnifying my imagination
okay. okay, Etisalat. better check what you sent
'Shrek The Musical will be shown on stage.'
So what?
on second thought. delight my nephews
cheer them up. convey the Ogre news
no school meant lots of fun
going places to play and run
this one is different. they are confused
there is no school? Is it a holiday?
there is no school? Is it the weekend?
Alas, dear boys, stop grumbling
your city is in mourning
there is no going out. there is no driving
there is no going out. rain is disrupting
played a lot of indoor games
watched films glued to the TV set
they weren't interested what Etisalat told
I am disappointed
I crossed over to look outside

rain had stopped leaving its mark
puddles of water all over the ground
'come to the window, children!
look at those boys having such fun!
we used to do that, you know
go ahead now, ask your mom
we used to play in the rain
we wouldn't wait till it drain
all its water on to the ground
we screamed jumped squealed
not wearing shoes like these ones
if you are not barefoot
you wouldn't get such delight
when you splash about! '
we watched the kids intently
having such fun in the puddle
the heavy rain left behind
'dear Abelo, would you like to go outside?
let's join these boys. let's go wild! '
his big eyes twinkling, anticipating
gave his consent, vigorously nodding
'what about you, Eyu? '
he paused. not enthusiastic like his four year-old brother
pursing his lips in that way of his, to ponder
'maybe.....
'what about you, mommy dear? '
won't you join us in the splish splash? '
she shook her head
hugging tightly the gabbi to her body
'I am just joking, dear lady!
we would have, you know, if it were sunny
it looks very cold. not at all funny.'
thank you, splashing Abu Dhabi boys!
for taking me back to my childhood days!

March 13,2016.

emebet mesfin

Abu Dhabi Rain

March 9, 2016. Wednesday. One o'clock and three minutes

'The Award winning Broadway Musical, live in Dubai, folks

'Shrek the Musical', Book your tickets

get ready to believe all Ogre again.'

no no no no let's skip and hop in the rain

but thank you, Etisalat, you are the reason

that I paused the screen and checked

the message delivered

let me share it with the boys and their mom

it may help in changing the pattern

suddenly forced down by the '.....heavy rain

in Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Al Ain

unstable weather until Thursday..... ' will reign

put your trust in the weather report

reschedule your lives for few days

schools closed. Programs postponed

wanted to go outside warned or not

don't turn on the AC! I don't want it

I want nature to nurture my sanity

I feel caged inside for rain restricted

free movement by feet or not, suspended

I have to go out!

let me be away from stifling buildings

let me forget about confining elevators

I want to be out in the open air

my mind racing as I began my walk

thank you God for everything

I feel much better now but

the impending rain

which is about to come down

will it be destructive like yesterday?

will it stop me from finding my way?

if the sky is to turn off its light

it may stop the functions of my heart

Dear God, let me walk some more

could you hold it off for sometime?

I promise to go back home

once I reached Mazyad Mall

in Addis, I walk through rain without strain

I don't need to run
I don't need to hide
the blue sky where I come from
doesn't compromise its blueness
look at this one

Part One

emebet mesfin