

"Shore"

Cloudy skies rain down

On a beach that lies silent and still

Portuguese man-o-war washed ashore, lack breath

Bodies unmoved by wind, too soon claimed by ground

Trails of trash track through sand

A girl in simple red sunglasses

Bends to clean that which has been

Made impure, by our kind

While a sandy-haired boy in a Banana Republic shirt

Reaches for his iPhone, his empty bottle of Pepsi falling to the sand

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