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Pigeons eye Ducklings

And think, "Couldn't our parents

Buy swimming lessons?"

2

The light is fading

Another summer day ends

Now I am at peace

3

The sun sears the ground

Precious plants gasp for water

No rain is in sight

4

I met him at work

He was the love of my life

It was not to be

5

Would we meet again?

I fantasized that we would

Recently he died

6

A secret spot itched

I tried to turn and scratch it

I could not reach it

7

She walked down the street

She went through a cycle lane

The bike did not stop

8

Hidden in shadows
A young fox watches and waits
Pounce, dinner is served

9

In a pile of leaves
Little mice play then scamper
The cat licks her lips

10

Shrieking gulls circle
The air full of sound and wings
Roseate dawn breaks

11

Took the jar from fridge
Put the jam on my porridge
It was the chutney

12

She cleared her table
Not a thing had been eaten
No one had turned up

13

A cup of coffee;
I put in sugar, but no
It was salt my fault

14

When I tell my Friend
Foxes love my lawn, she's all
"I'd pay to shoot them."

15 (A Fox' Tail)

See that lavender?
Newly planted. Let's wreck it.
Watch out gardeners!

B BROWN
B CLOVER
R GUEST
P HOUGHTON
L RIPLEY
ANON

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