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ELEA

There's no beginning
and there's no end

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WAVE TALK

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Don't do it
You're gonna find out about it
Like I said
Like I said
Go ahead and do it
Go a-HEAD
Maybe
I wanted to tell you
I wanted to tell you for a long time and now I'm going to
Didn't I warn you?
There is this ring
This what?
This ragtag
What?
What are we going to do about—
What?

Enough to chew on
Talk it out
I'm really a firm believer, totally persuaded—
On the bridge of my nose
Small of my neck
Medulla

You better get going
The toy's in the bag
Reece told me he was sorry about the pressure
Sometimes the sawmill
I disagree about that
You'll see
Don't beat me over the head with that
Anybody could
You see what he just did?
Take my word for it
There's no registration to pick up the slack

So tell the postman
There's a hanger on the ironing board
A refrigerator, a phone

Do you think?
The what?
The best procedure
I don't think there is one

Get a run
Get a run, you swollen turkey
The cake is on the table
The snake in the house
So do something about it
Breathing won't—

Here's the important point
What? What?
He did?
They what?
Bubble bubble
They're going to prefer to prosecute
If you're so sure of that
He should press the button and forget about it
They're going to return in another guise
You can be sure of it
That's why I suggested to Emory
The answer is open

I felt very bad about it
No, you didn't
What?
What do you—
The preferred response

Do you think, really think, they're going to banana?
The mind balks

Don't worry about it anymore today
 The first response
 The first response is to count the beans
 And after that?
 It's as simple as a sandwich
 Believe in Gott
 Eat
 Reasonable forecasts aren't disregarded
 No more than purple pennants
 Peasant blouses
 Peas and—
 Canned shit

Better it
 It's on the outside
 He thunk what?
 Seriously, this is an offer
 While you think about it, read this
 OK?
 Because it's better to be wrong first than last
 I'm not so sure about that
 (I'd rather be lopped off than nipped in the bud)

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You better think about it again
 They're going to dunk
 They're going to process the formula and keep it going
 I can feel it in my bones

And Ronnie said so
 This is a very important fact
 I want everybody to swallow something
 We're strengthening
 We're straightening

Listen to the fanning
Yes
Yes
And maybe tomorrow
And maybe Tuesday

Do you think?
Yes, I think
Do you think?
Yes, I think
So who's going to predict where they're going?
So who's going to eat soon?
The safety eludes the—

Mom, what are we going to do?
The trigger's in the basement
The barrel on the floor

Where do we give ourselves over?
So you're gonna tell me the best thing is to quit
To parallel the sash
I don't understand that
It's really a matter of putting the knob on

Yes, you are
Yes, you are

If I might interrupt for a moment
The beneficiary sees this with another eye
Without putting too fine a point on it

Bring the soda
Bring the whistle
Bring a dozen gulls flying behind a boat

Prosperity
Prosperity tags along

What do you think about the race?

Why would you say that?

So promote

Who?

Maybe Showfer

OK

Pristine and all

Really?

Tell me more about it

And then?

He what?

Blew the bark off?

How should I understand that?

Blab about it all you want

Blab about it

He went to the soda fountain

He breathed the horrid air

The ding-dong

Young, in short

Say as much as you can

You have to come around to it

You will

You

You will receive the letter

What are you going to do about it?

With it

Whisper it

Whassup?

What are you going to do with him after that?

There are consequences

Do there have to be?

Does it?

When?

We saw the playhouse

She read that

This is my first, my greatest, concern

Once in a while, the apple—

What about it?

He's not feeling well

This is what you should do

Not talk about it

Face the music

Beat the tomtom

Practice pulling chairs

Did you go rowing?

Did you go to the schoolhouse?

The rope's still hanging

The pressure ... mounts?

Maybe, maybe not

A willing audience is our best customer

What would we ever be able to do about it?

The sin is

Never formulate a position

They're coming
They're coming
There's responsibility and alimony
There's feeding
There's moral
What?

When are we going back?
Don't worry about it
Don't worry about it for at least another hour
Really?
Truly?
Sorry?
No, there's nothing to be sorry about
We tried, we really did
Though it appears we failed, we'll never know for sure

It did happen again

Go home

Go home

Go home

The rising won't reach

We'll see about it

What's he going to do about it?

The saying

The slashing

The sagging?

What would be the right response?

Do you "go with the flow"?

I had some other ideas

Open the cafeteria

In the middle of the night

So let them know tomorrow morning

There's a filing

There's an oft-used phrase

Mutando mutatis

Sui generis

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Come back

Don't

You bet he did

We saw him

We saw him

Come back for the dinner

There was a reason for everything that happened

You bet
See you later
I'm canceling
I'm canoeing
Don't remind me for a while

Did you?
I mean afterwards
Whisper it
Take note of the hoarseness

What's the difference in the end?
The difference is this

THE PURE

And no
We begin to inform
There's no alternative
It's cold
The rice old
The plague—

So to negotiate
The signs
Of wreckage
The third degree
Ask the postman
To come for breakfast
The nonsense ends
Beyond the sun
Barks
For a tutelary spirit
Designs the den
To withstand
Any premises
Any magazine rights
Any OK
Improper
Indubitable
Unfamiliar
Fork in the road
Onions of
Road
Reason of
Previous evaluation
Soft to touch
To will

PURIFY ME

Purify me of little brother hill town raspberry soup & annelids & sizing ramps
to polish the laminated toystore hallways candlemaker fragment figment
remembrance tortured pieplate hanger Rasta talkshow carshop popgun rally
board ornery portion
random seismograph poncho caliber anus process pontoon Rangoon Honda
raisinbread hellebore irregular tolerated obfuscation season position region
mistake pogo houseboat halitosis overage overthrown pellet gun irregular
holiday bullet
plow through poolroom leaded glass highback chairs

Purify me of football binding arbitration hello at onion balls
drinking opinion center elevated aurora sign language daycare part-time
salvation Silverado asshole vintage
buying navy cold American flag tax fraud
brokered & told sauna & free flea & handball
runningboard dismal science timed to patrol
little boy built-in slide director telephone show

Purify me of smoke forever & ever amen inside the hard practical sandwich
shop & all-night prostitutions
lucky telescope hose down oily Riley strangle Sanchez baby
broken & disgorged all to make a point to someone not watching
who's senile or infatuated or eggstained guerrilla theater same burg same
bollixed bothered random solvent

death radioactive guarantee horror movie love story primetime rap sandwich
heart breg reg pelt safer porter whole eggnog sauna trap
polyandry eggshell nameday souplines high school poolcue
high school dime like fender laundry serious health crisis lime day ignoble
timepiece holiday holster implanted ten times before the ratio crossed the
desired ratio unbounded & tooled through lime time
soaking holiday Harley office officialdom honking sideways envelopes to
sensationalize the Durban featherduster eggplant soothsayer parchment
holiday

sopping tolerable image shop palace rag samera disgrace
indomitable policy wonk suave swastika painted race
parcels pitched to
caught in the goal postponed throughout the whole Samantha tabulation
response & pattern in midges

Purify me of rhyming dictionary solvent divided by prime rate holiday plan
all paid timeline recompense braindead relative burgeoning holiday
a select group really tone-deaf telarc tell arcade Ramey
specific individuals doorway to the light of the law/the law of the light
the singing holiday solvent loaded directly onto the lawns of courage &
petunias & Tabasco horror movies brokered for a song

Purify me of friend dog tie tiedye village religion poolroom orifice
corner original pieplate thrice tie lake hemisphere
learn phone reservation time current moon dock polished handwork
football cookout plastic expansion park
roger & out dillydallying China store harmony polish ranger oven stillness
semblance remembrance pogo holiday ranger ice cream dawn cracker
prospect

Purify me of streets red bakery hellfire priority sandwiches
broken & left for irregular pear blind icing formula
belfries summoned & left to their own devices
bark aimless Hollinger ride gown insinuates hell to a question
regular to almost practical horoscope & advanced Rawlings pinecone
searchlight horror movie
spectacle/to register & proctor & hollow out/until
heavyweight Brian ricing my organs & tutoring holiday sessions
heavyweight irony tykes light breaths lemon lacquered holiday barnacle
ricecakes

Purify me of son plough not yet holiday random ice polished to perform feats
of peacenik resonance...office parallelograms
weight television time arc house plan possible Warwick riches pelt blather
...bone sewer/tea garden/orange raft/city

Purify me of failure racing to legislate rain for osprey Togo cornpone
cramps each seasonable mellifluous rhyming polygon
to fruit loose parallel semblance of mascara howdydoodly lie about layaway
deepening harbor of disregard to process logic without polish holidays to a
bright baggage of departure
invested in blessed health bar regular demonstration process panhandling park
respect
to live up to rhizome holiday sandwich bollix place
so poised so hummus to hang this regular holiday boys store pointed remnant
prancing for daylight bony & accustomed to management facility

Purify me of hope consumed & penciled to a very fine information
lacquered to white bark or palace height farrago
to break the reserve origin billboard primetime nuisance music breach
for torrid olive price rind
piled high in pillbox formation stamped with the red
brought to boil time & again in Injun country kildeer killjoy
open & closed ready for performance & onyx
highways take the pine without extenuating circumstances
oranges prevail within the slideshow alternative

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Mortification
Premiums

Insieme
Tutto

Ambassador
Music

Morganatic
Infantile

Music
Peacetime

Moorish
Prattle

Monuniferous
Fluid

Proper
Pockmark

Peacetime
Easel

No sir
Tome

Hearken
Ambulance

Moosehead
Hearken

Morganatic
Museum

DISTANT FOGHORNS

(from memory)

Ryan
Illustrates

World
Position

Open
Horseback

Timely
Crossout

Silly
Vector

Sample
Forage

Before
Selvage

Masculinity
Society

Breathiness
Passage

Price
Feeling

Degree
Borax

Ice
Elephant

Necessity
(Loggerheads)

Melody
Melanoma

Thought
(Selvage)

Birth
(Hollow

Open
Pelt)

Distinctions
Burlesque

(The
Living

Silver
Hologram

The
Purebred)

Health
(Eggshells

Residence
Seething

Instantaneous
Alert

High-toned
Emphatic)

Burly
Prince gear

Facelift
(World war

Ice cream
Toolbox

Hetlock
Boyclock)

Beseeching
(Insurrection)

Fenestration
Porous

Birdlike
Breaths

Hollow
Newspaper

Random
Toystore

Boiling
Ninepins

Icing
(Wellhead

Foster
Frogman)

Pearls
(Referee)