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Don't be fooled, I'm not a renegade poet. But it must be bad, for here I am—fury trapped in bones / teeth-gnashing / eye spilling-a rebellion stuck in the throat. My people, breathless. My homeland, a funeral pyre. If we must die, let us go out in a blaze, let us turn pain into poetry and poetry into protest. Rise against our shame, our failures, take them apart, piece by piece, and transform into the eye of a storm. Let us re-write this landscape, spit out a new language so we can purge our country of mindless abuse. Drag our names to the ground, let this soil blacken with bad blood, so the world may not forget what we felt—on each individual shoulder, the weight of an entire nation, collapsing in on itself.



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