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## Divorce

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**Untitled**

Mary Mastromatteo

One,  
Single  
Heart slowing,  
Slows through the night,  
Night of many thoughts,  
Thoughts consumed, darkening.  
Darkness from the empty half,  
That half of the bed that gapes, feeds  
Feeding on all the dears and sadness.  
One, single heart slows – while night's dark thoughts feed



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can't sleep can't cry can't breathe can't scream  
and I look at you while you sleep peaceful  
with your serene expression and faint smile  
not having a care like all is right in the world  
and we are not getting kicked out for not paying  
rent on time while I stir and twist and my stomach  
aches as if I haven't eaten in days I know your  
paycheck won't cover the overdraft charges  
you snore in your blissful abyss I get up and  
get no rest you wake up refreshed and tell me  
that it will work out like it always does but  
don't you know it's because I'm the one  
who fixes it I can't fix this