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I am the one
Who sits in the middle
Listening
My only job
Is to decipher the riddle
Made by both sides
Arguing
Wasting time
No accord can they find
Harmony is set aside
But it is fun
To watch their mouths run
They lie
They chastise
They hypnotize
But they are stupid
So I sit
At the round table
And watch their circus
Of point-counterpoint
And dry wit
A building unstable
A crazy caucus
A meeting of the minds
Trying to make a point
That they can't even find
I am the mediator
I sit and sort papers
And ideas
I invite sense
I make deals
I represent truth
Against the lying coup
How great it feels
To be the mediator
To hear both sides
And watch the anger stew
And do...
Nothing!