

THE ENGINE OF OUR HOUSE

Resentment is the engine of our house
A silent cauldron that is always there
For father, mother, brother, partner, spouse.

The words rush like a fury from his mouth
"You treat her better, it's not fair,"
Says brother, father, mother, partner, spouse.

Their hedge needs trimming, next door neighbours grouse
The lawn's condition proves they do not care:
Resentment is the engine of their house.

The cat is jealous of the mouse
The mouse feels cheated of her share
As do mother, father, brother, partner, spouse.

The money's all down in the south
They live like emperors there.
Resentment is the engine of this house.

You never listened and you never cared
Say partner, father, mother, brother, spouse
The only thing we ever shared:
Resentment is the engine of our house.