

A Snakeskin E-chapbook

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SPEEDREAD

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Domestic

she won't take it this time.
Hears his key fumbling at))
the lock, drunken curses ((
that she knows from past))
experience will suddenly ((
explode to a violent rage;))
reaches across this bed ((
side cabinet, before the))
first of a score of blows. ((

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((:::)) "Hello."

"Hello."

"Emergency
Services."

"Hello....."

"MOHEY BITCH"

after
a long
ten hours
on minimum
wage she
does as
he says. Cannot now recall his face
for she was only concentrating on the
pistol barrel while shakily emptying the till

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Coke Poem (3 lines)

snniiiiiiiifffff "snniiiiiiiifffff"

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oh sorry, now there
is just these two.....

BOY RACER SURVIVES

however this line is the dashboard (AIR BAG) that his passenger's

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head hit when he () suddenly lost control
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POEM PICASSO STYLE

Not

of everybody's cup
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SO

I wish a poem
could do you
complete justice;
capture you in
your entirety.
For then I could
reach in,
and remove
these rogue cells.

I wish a poem
could do you
complete justice;
capture you in
your entirety.
For then I could
reach in,
and remove
these : \ :
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DRAW THE BLOODY CURTAINS

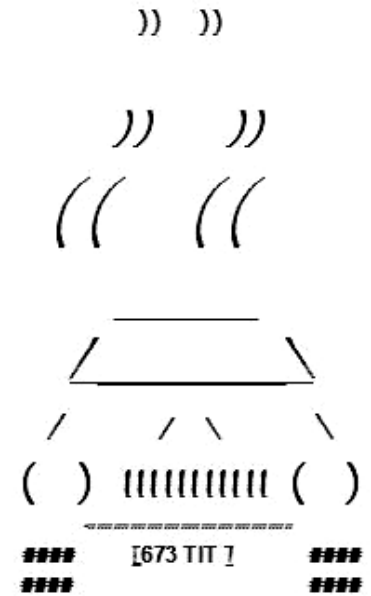
Walking past the window he suddenly spots a flash of thong



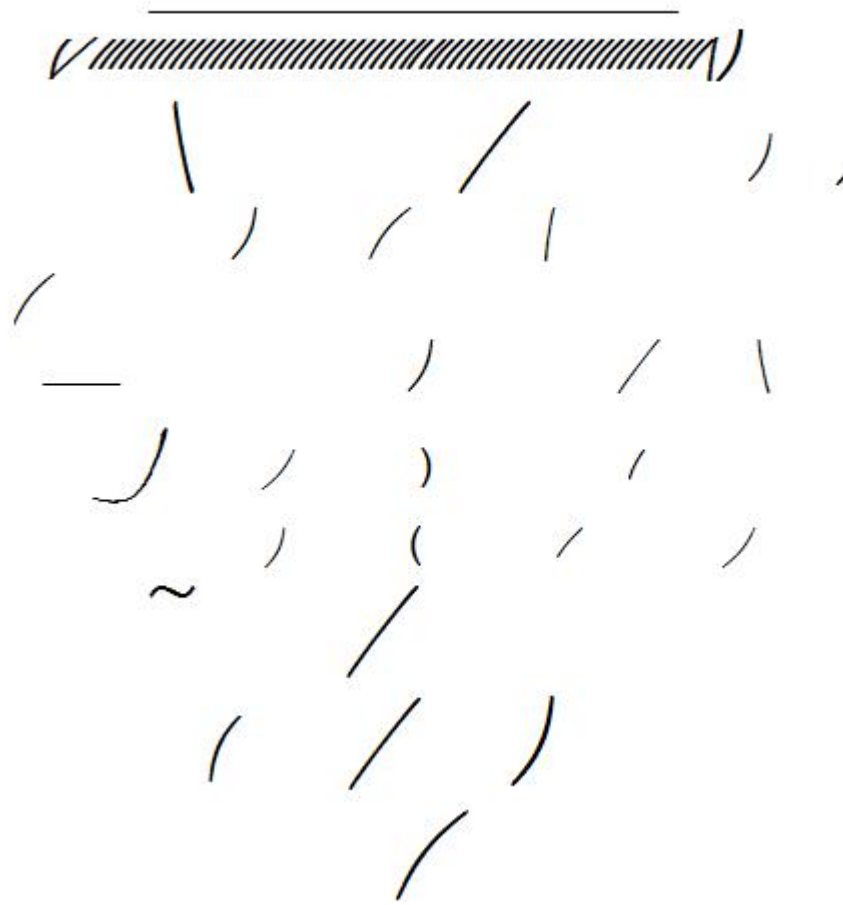
watches a safe distance from this ledge

BOY RACER

A poem.
Each word a group of letters, a child.



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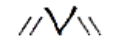
Flunking Biology - 1981

"But Srrrrrrrrr.

I don't want to chloroform

The lab rat....."

CooD



SOMEWHERE SATURDAY

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there
will be a
stabbing.
This
four foot and fifteen
year slump down some
pub / club / toilet wall
to whimper for 'mum'.

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KID'S PLAY - Dahmer, Gacy, Bundy.....

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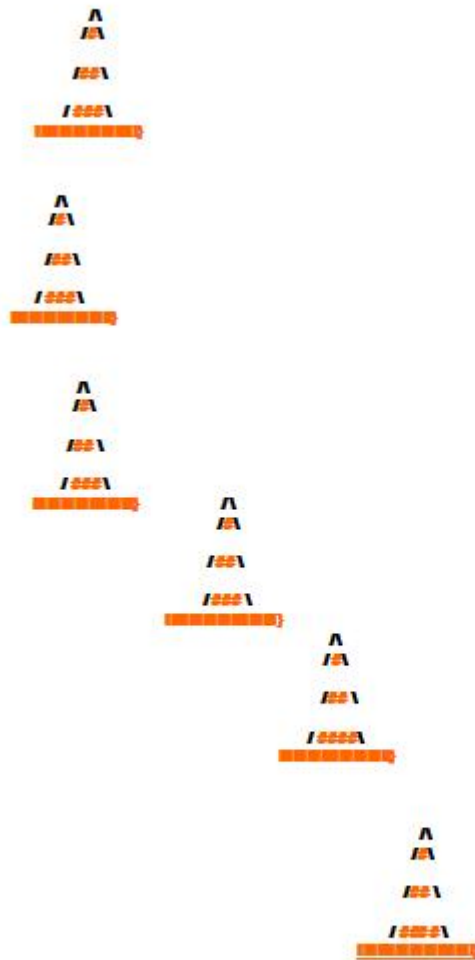
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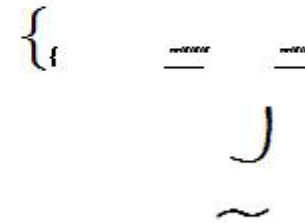
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BANK HOLIDAY - M6



POST OP

and a
crude bandage
wrapped roughly
around the top of
your shaved head:



the only thing stopping this sheet edge from
becoming a shroud