

# Can she excuse...?

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S.      Can she ex - cuse my wrongs with vir - tues cloak?  
Are those clear fires which va - nish in - to smoke?

A.      Can she ex - cuse my wrongs with vir - tues cloak?  
Are those clear fires which va - nish in - to smoke?

T.      Can she ex - cuse my wrongs with vir - tues cloak?  
Are those clear fires which va - nish in - to smoke?

B.      Can she ex - cuse ex - cuse my wrongs with vir - tues cloak?  
Are those clear fires, clear fires which va - nish in - to smoke?

5      Shall I call her good when she proves un - kind?  
Must I praise the leaves where no fruit I find?

Shall I call her good when she proves un - kind?  
Must I praise the leaves where no fruit I find?

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Must I praise the leaves where no fruit I find?

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S. No, no; where sha - dows do, for bo - dies stand,  
Cold love is like to words writ - ten on sand,

A. No, no; where sha - dows do, for sha - dows do, for bo - dies stand,  
Cold love is like to words, is like to words, writ - ten on sand,

T. No, no, no; where sha - dows do, for bo - dies, for bo - dies stand,  
Cold love love is like to words to words writ - ten on sand,

B. No, no; where sha - dows do, for bo - dies stand,  
Cold love is like to words writ - ten on sand,

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thou may'st be ab - us'd if thy sight be dim.  
or two bub - bles which on the wa - ter swin.

thou may'st be ab - us'd ab - us'd if thy sight be dim.  
or two bub - bles which on the wa - ter, wa - ter swin.

thou may'st be ab - us'd if thy sight, thy sight be dim.  
or two bub - bles which on the wa - ter, wa - ter swin.

thou may'st be ab - us'd if thy sight, thy sight be dim.  
or two bub - bles which on the wa - ter, wa - ter swin.

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Wilt thou be thus a - bu - sed still, see - ing that she will  
Bet - ter a thou - sand times to die, than for to love thus

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Bet - ter a thou - sand times to die, than for to love thus

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S. right thee ne - ver if thou canst not o'er- come her will, thy  
still tor-men-ted, Dear, but re - mem- ber it was I who

A. right thee ne - ver if thou canst not o'er- come her will, thy love will  
still tor-men-ted, Dear, but re - mem- ber it was I who for thy

T. she will right thee ne - ver if thou canst not o'er- come her will, thy love  
love thus still tor- men-ted, Dear, but re - mem - ber it was I who for

B. right thee ne - ver if thou canst not o'er - come her will, thy  
still tor-men-ted, Dear, but re - mem - ber it was I who

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love will be thus fruit - less e - wer.  
for thy fake did die con - ten - ted.

be thus fruit - less e - wer.  
fake did die con - ten - ted.

will be thus fruit - less e - wer.  
thy fake did die con - ten - ted.

love will be thus fruit - less e - wer.  
for thy fake did die con - ten - ted.

#### Traducción:

¿Puede ella excusar mis errores bajo el manto de virtud?  
¿puedo yo llamarla buena cuando se muestra cruel?  
¿Son fuegos claros los que desaparecen en el humno?  
¿debo alabar a las hojas cuando no producen frutos?

No, no. Donde las sombras reemplazan a los cuerpos  
puedes ser engañado, si tu vista es débil.  
El amor frío es como las palabras escritas en la arena  
o como las burbujas que flotan en el agua.

¿Estarás tu confundido largo tiempo  
viendo que ella no te hará justicia jamás?  
Si no puedes sobreponerte a su voluntad,  
tu amor será estéril para siempre.