A frost covered the ground this way Bit the lilacs petals, turned them brown They are not in blue pitchers On the kitchen table anymore 'Cause my mother is down in Mexico somewhere And I don't know if she's ever coming back. And my father we talk on the telephone sometimes But the wires, they're not long enough to fill this hole And my brother it's nice to hear his voice And reminisce about how we all used to live there Under the red red red tin roof Now all separate we walked away But I need a grasp to take the cold from my hands A place to lean on so I can feel those strong breaths again To feel the shape without the light Or to sit in the gleam of the living room again But my mother is down in Mexico somewhere And I don't know if she's ever coming back And my father we talk on the telephone sometimes But the wire they're not long enough to fill this hole And my brother it's nice to hear his voice To reminisce about how we used to live there Under the red red red tin roof Will someone please please help me Unlock this skeleton from this flesh rest I think it wants to walk away to some place that no longer exists Why can't we back track So we can all sit up on that hill And watch the trees along the fence grow All over again Why can't we back track so we can all sit up on that And watch the trees along the fence grow All over again 'Cause my mother is down in Mexico somewhere And I don't know if she's ever coming back And my father we talk on the telephone sometimes But the wires they're not long enough to fill this whole And my brother it's nice to hear his voice To reminisce about how we all used to live there Under the red red red tin roof But never again will I hear the rain fall So good Never again will I hear the rain fall So good Like it did on the red, the red tin roof