## Waterfall

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Waterfall, I recall You were born inside a raindrop When the drop slipped out Of an orchid's mouth

You were much too small to tumble You could neither roar nor rumble Not a cymbal crash, you could barely splash Over little stones you stumbled

Then begins the slow connection
In some H2O affection
Very serpentine
How your parts combine
And agree on one direction

Iguazu, is it true You were once an April shower? A few crystal beads On a bamboo reed?

Do you still believe you're strongest?
That your river runs the longest?
Wait till you release
In a sea of peace
With the love you longed for longest