

## A Fish in Water

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never challenge me  
u will not prevail;  
ever so subtly i will lure u  
to the sea with wonderful  
words, imagery, pleasantries,  
false impressions -  
baits that humans  
find irresistible

out of ur element,  
u will slowly suffocate,  
in my element,  
i thrive

the first lesson in  
warfare is to lure  
the enemy to ur  
place of power,  
give a false sense  
of security, victory -  
everybody loves a winner

but do not fear  
ur departure will be pleasant  
u will gladly race to ur ruin  
so adept my powers of illusion  
u will imagine that hell is heaven,  
9 is 6 and night is day

what gives the wrong impression?

i am not abused,  
walked-over, taken advantage of,  
or maltreated for long,  
ask those that have foolishly  
attempted to overcome that  
which has never been overcome

fools try in vain  
earning swift retribution

careless, deluded fools

unable to assess  
sky from sea  
day  
from night,  
self-involved fools imagining  
victory in the midst of  
defeat

if u find urself on the edge  
near the sea  
tantalised, ready to leap  
or plunge into the wide  
expanse

take stock and ask urself how u arrived  
(at this point)  
what foolishness brought u here  
to embrace ruin

retrace ur steps and extricate  
urself from a web  
spun expressly for u

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