

Introduction

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This support pack contains the following materials:

- The poem that you can listen to in the podcast
- An optional comprehension activity based on the poem.

Read the poem.

We loved the world together

by Gordon Taylor

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Remember
We loved the world together
You and I

Remember
We had fun, life, excitement
You and I

Remember
We found that fantastic bistro...
On the way to the taxi rank..
To get in from the rain
Where I drank till I spewed
and blamed the champagne.
Where the waiter took a shine to you
And picked you up
waltzed you across the floor.

I'll never go through that door...
again...
Without you my love.

Everything changed...
didn't it, later on...
Post dessert pre coffee
It all turned sour
The waiter that next time returned to me
With a glower
And you...
My love..

How could you come back to me cut in two
Broke even my hard unreachable heart
to see you cut up, your halves wide apart!

Maybe I used you.
Maybe I used and abused you.
Used and abused and repeatedly used you
Maybe abused you too hard...
Oh my over abused
Master Card.

After reading

Exercise

Below are 8 statements about the poem. For each one, decide if it is True or False.

1. The author's lover was a woman.
2. The author went into a restaurant so as not to get wet.
3. The author was sick.
4. The waiter danced with the author's lover.
5. The author finished his meal.
6. When the waiter returned he was happy.
7. The waiter cut the author's credit card in half.
8. "My love" is actually a credit card.

Answers

Exercise 1: 1. False (F); 2. True (T); 3. T; 4. F; 5. F; 6. F; 7. T; 8. T