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Went down to the beach (to play one day)And Maggie discovered a shell that sang
So sweetly she couldn't remember her troubles,andMilly befriended a stranded star

Whose rays five languid fingers were;And Molly was chased by a horrible thing

Which raced sideways while blowing bubbles:andMay came home with a smooth round stone
As small as a world and as large as alone.For whatever we lose (like a you or a me)

It's always ourselves we find in the sea

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