

# Up Above the Sea

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The sun came up  
Up above the sea  
The streaming clouds  
Tore into my tranquility Out my window  
I could see  
A bird drop down  
On the branches of my apple tree Everyday the bluebird comes down  
And stares at me for hours  
Can't figure out if he brings me luck  
Or if he's trying to tear me down I bought a rifle  
With a Bushnell scope  
Knowing the answer would be  
To see if he's calm or frightful The sun rose up  
Over the sea  
I staked out and waited  
Like so many gunmen before me Everyday the bluebird comes down  
And stares at me for hours  
Can't figure out if he brings me luck  
Or if he's trying to tear me down He saw my gun, he stared  
Right into my eyes, I fired  
His body exploded  
And feathers fell all over my lawn

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