

ASPIRE HIGHER SUMMER EXPERIENCE 2019

LITERATURE, FILM AND THEATRE: RELATIONSHIPS, TALKING, AND READING BETWEEN THE LINES

'Neither of Us Is Happy' by Rupi Kaur

neither of us is happy but neither of us wants to leave so we keep breaking one another and calling it love

'I'll Open the Window' by Anna Swir

Our embrace lasted too long. We loved right down to the bone. I hear the bones grind, I see our two skeleton.

Now I am waiting

till you leave, till

the clatter of your shoes

is heard no more. Now, silence.

Tonight I am going to sleep alone on the bedclothes of purity. Aloneness

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is the first hygienic measure.

Aloneness

will enlarge the walls of the room,

I will open the window and the large, frosty air will enter, healthy as tragedy. Human thoughts will enter and human concerns, misfortune of others, saintliness of thers. They will converse softly and sternly.

Do not come anymore. I am an animal very rarely.

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