



THE MASQUERADE

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Misery shall reign. (personification)

There is absolutely no chance that (use of adverb, hyperbole)

Joy shall prevail (personification, repetition)

It is common knowledge that

Joy shall succumb (repetition)

To the domineering dominance (alliteration)

I resolutely dismantle the idea that

Everlasting triumph over the slumber of despair (metaphor, hyperbole)

With [regal serenity, blissful joy, splendid hope]. (Triplet, use of adjectives)

Masking myself in this masquerade (alliteration, metaphor)

I am not in the mood of

[Curtains rising, people mingling, music beginning] (triad/ power of 3)

Let the dance commence, shall we?

I have experienced the climax of such performance (anaphora)

I have lived it. (1st person perspective)

I have watched everything unravelled before my very own eyes (Intensifier)

Tearing off the **glamour** and **glaze** (alliteration, use of violent verb)

Are any of their smiles real? (rhetorical questions)

Merely an **extravagant show** (metaphor)

Nothing as

Bustling **cheers** and **jeers** in the crowd (Metaphor, internal rhyme, onomatopoeia)

As everything in sight is

Terror and **horror** (Internal rhyme)

Gloom and **doom** (Internal rhyme)

And **no signals of** (personification)

Smiles and giggles (list, enjambment)

laughters and grins

(Juxtaposition)

In my own hysteric chortling (repetition)

I reject the idea of **drowning endlessly** (use of adverbs, metaphor)

In my own **plays** and **pleasure** (alliteration)

Thrill blooming in my chest **like a feather-light flower** (metaphor, figurative language, simile, gerund)

In the sweet days of girlhood (allusion to SPCS School hymn)

Shining, shimmering, sparkling **like a dazzling star** (sibilance, simile)

'Bliss was it in that dawn to be alive' (Italics, quotations, hyperbole)

But merely

Just to chase for a **light** under the **starless night** (internal rhyme, metaphor)

Be engulfed by the monstrous beast (Zoomorphism)

Be **devoured by death eaters** (personification, active verbs, allusion to Harry Potter)

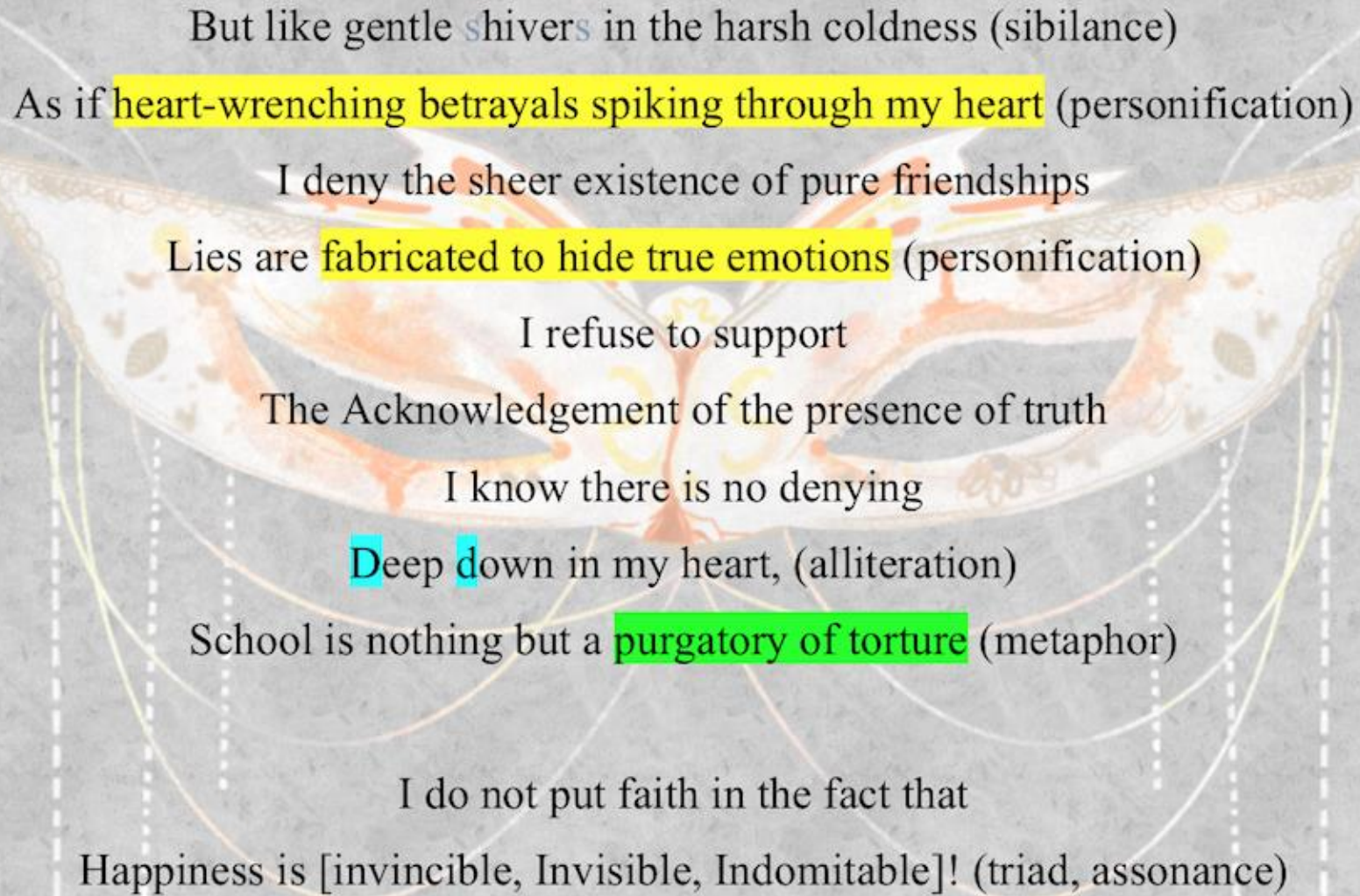
Be **conquered by the night of darkness** (personification)

I shan't believe I will

reach out for a star (Anaphora, star symbolises hope)

reach out for a hand (metonymy)

reach out for the truth



But like gentle shivers in the harsh coldness (sibilance)
As if heart-wrenching betrayals spiking through my heart (personification)
I deny the sheer existence of pure friendships
Lies are fabricated to hide true emotions (personification)
I refuse to support
The Acknowledgement of the presence of truth
I know there is no denying
Deep down in my heart, (alliteration)
School is nothing but a purgatory of torture (metaphor)
I do not put faith in the fact that
Happiness is [invincible, Invisible, Indomitable]! (triad, assonance)