

Elements

Water

gives us life
with its countless shapes, movements and colours.

But

we don't care.

Fish adhered to oil die on the beach,
hungry seagulls suffocate in their nests,
pale is the bright red of the coral reef.

Fire

gives us warmth, security and light.

But

we don't feel it.

Houses, gardening and roads burn in fire,
rainforests disappear behind flames,
cities are darkened by clouds of smoke.

Air

gives us freedom, a breeze of freshness.

But

we don't breathe it.

city smogs forbid us to suspire,
violent storms devastate villages,
heat melts the 'eternal ice'.

Earth

offers us the beauty
of the diversity of animals, plants and treasures.

But

we don't see it.

The saber-toothed tigers will never hunt again,
pesticides poison industrious bees,
resources, exploited by companies.

Who are we to destroy what surrounds us?

When will we learn to respect nature?