No More

Water weaves itself between the trees After observing, I rest upon a damp bridge of leaves Smelling scattered roses and tulips Seeing the clean water that shifts its' position, hitting the boulders gently Hearing calming whistles of my friends that ring out through the forest My wings flutter from happiness

> Gliding to another branch Perching myself carefully Blooming flowers Falling leaves Unclouded water Open meadow Unrestricting air This is my serene home I must leave now But I will visit back soon

Waiting to see the change Following the same gushing river, My eyes dart from place to place, Fluttering downwards, Dipping my tail in the water, Now a murky liquid I rest and stay for a bit, but I must leave again

I return a year later Following a path of rough grey stones I cannot recognize anything Nothing is the same

Everything has changed The leaves no more the crispy orange they used to be The water no more translucent and aqua The air no more clean and beautiful Strongly tainted air lets me fly freely no more Anger runs through my blood, As I feel the change

Gazing over, my view is no more the same I rest upon the same bridge of now perishing leaves No more do the trees feel like lofty mansions No more does the water rush swiftly No more do I smell the sweet cherry blossoms No more do I see the moist creek Instead, I hear the sound of a truck far off I must leave my tranquil manor And I cannot return For my beloved place of rest is no more

Soaring over the clouds, I spot the ocean I may be able to reside there My wings spread out in the air The water spraying my face This is what independence feels like I shall leave for now

Coming back, I realize change is upon me Oil spilled through the water A stripes fish lies struggling in a paper bag Gasping for air, I do not want to see this scene Once again I am forced to leave

No more do I have a safe home No more does the breeze ruffle my feathers No more can the animals swim care-free No more can I see the beauty of our world No more