We catch the salt air like a sail as we face the sea for the first time The sea is always feral, something considered too wild Bathing in the last of ocean's foam Ridges of fish bones changing the textures of stones as we try to recognise our shapes in the dried out lake The wave we imitate keeps us so still

We lie ourselves down in the heavy grass and try everything not to notice the bleak descent of the birds We look at the shimmering blue-let sky, that seems so borderless, a land that lived and breathed and needed no human to be real Yet we think a place is not a place until we arrive We don't know which spaces to leave large and alone

We forget which thing host our breath, our stillness and our moving or what the night does to the smell of the ground in the morning We close the curtain because we can't stand strong smells while we should be licking the light like a delicious meal The lack of green ministers a coldness Some hives collapse entirely as the plants try to keep up drinking the breath from our lips Everything is fading

Becoming a shadow that may disappear as the sun goes down

In the yard, brittle and shivering To see in each and every flower the world cancelling itself Petal by petal to the hidden ground On which we ask ourselves why

(We state to our children We didn't make the world we leave them with While we celebrate distraction and loops of behaviour continue to form)

Imagine the desert sunk in drought inside which tears could be a life force, a saviour (We drive on fields of everything melted Not asking ourselves Where we would live Where we would dance Or how we would make love)