

Roderick Marsh

(Age 15 years)

INCOMPLETE

What is colour said the blind man,
What is yellow,
What is green,
What is red or even blue?
I don't know said the blind man.

What is sound said the deaf man,
What is speech,
What are words,
What are songs?
I don't know said the deaf man.

What is feeling said the quadraplegic,
What is sand beneath my feet,
What is crispness of bedsheets,
What is softness?
I don't know said the quadraplegic.

What is freedom said the prisoner,
What is being without bars,
What is distance without walls,
What is walking alone and free?
I don't know said the prisoner.

What is life said the dying man,
What is love,
What is hate,
What is anger?
Turn off that machine and let me die.