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## Telling Time

Neck and head flat  
Like a swan on a pillow  
To swallow being tough  
She drinks in  
Daughter-fed  
Pride in that dazzling fur coat  
Her piano  
From five-and-dime savings  
A father who loved  
As friendly now  
With black-rimmed  
Hospital seconds on a wall

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