

Vincent

by Don McLean

_____, _____ night,
paint your palette¹ _____ and _____
look out on a summer's day
with eyes that know the _____ in my soul.
_____s on the hills
sketch the trees and the daffodil²s
catch the breeze and the winter _____s
in colors on the snowy linen³ land.

* And now I understand what you tried to say to me
how you _____ed for your sanity
how you tried to _____ them free.
They would not listen
they did not know how
perhaps they'll listen now.

Starry, starry night
flaming flowers that _____ blaze
swirling clouds in _____ haze⁴
_____ in Vincent's eyes of China blue.

¹ palette 調色板

² daffodil 黃色水仙花

³ linen 亞麻布

⁴ haze 霧氣，煙霧，靄，霾

Colors changing hue⁵
morning fields of amber _____
weathered faces lined in _____
are soothed _____ the artist's loving hand.

For they could not love you
but still your love was _____
and when no hope was left in _____ on that starry, starry night.
You took your life as lovers often do;
But I could have told you, Vincent
this world was never _____ for one as beautiful as you.

Starry, starry night
_____s hung in _____ halls
frameless heads on _____ walls
with eyes that watch the world and can't forget.

Like the stranger that you've met
the ragged men in ragged clothes
the _____ thorn⁶ of _____ rose
lie crushed and _____ on the virgin snow.

They would not listen
they're not listening still
perhaps they never will.

⁵ hue 色彩，色調；種類，派別

⁶ thorn (植物莖上的)刺