

## Untitled

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there might have been  
no Holocaust at all  
no Crystal Night  
no shattered pawn-shop ball  
and Rachel might have had no chestnut curls  
and Rivkah might have been a neighbor girl  
to Hans and Gretel in their Gartengasse  
for otherwise it would be really ghastly  
but once upon a time  
they all lived well  
and played together  
just before the hell



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