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| <p>51. Irziezet siekta;
tal-posta ghadda u ħabbat,
u l-ħemda reġgħet.</p> <p>52. La tgħidx ismek
ghaliex ninsieħ, ja fjura,
bħal dak ta' ħbiebi.</p> <p>53. Mingħajr għasafar
il-bosk ikun bħal knisja
bla kor bla orgni.</p> <p>54. Noè, le tibgħat
ħamiem biż-żebug f'halqu,
għax jisparawlu.</p> <p>55. Oh kemm ġibt nida,
rebbiegħha, fuq il-fjuri!
kemm dmugħ f'għajnejna!</p> <p>56. Il-mini skirt;
jekk int ma tistorx, tfajla,
ma jkollokx x'tikxef.</p> <p>57. Minn demmi l-qatra
ħudha, nemusa, talli
it-tin dakkartli.</p> <p>58. Tilgħab ma' wliedha
it-tigra qisha tifla
u nsiet l-hi tigra.</p> <p>59. Mulej li kellek
tagħmel diluvju f'Malta
ma ssibx Noè.</p> | <p>51. <i>Silent farmhouses;
the postman passed and knocked
and silence returned.</i></p> <p>52. <i>O flower don't tell
me your name, for I forget it
like the names of my friends.</i></p> <p>53. <i>Without birds
the wood is like a cathedral
without an organ and a choir.</i></p> <p>54. <i>Noah, don't send
doves with olive branches,
sportmen shoot them.</i></p> <p>55. <i>So much dew you
brought, o spring, on the flowers!
So many tears in my eyes!</i></p> <p>56. <i>The mini skirt;
o lady if you don't cover
you have nothing to uncover.</i></p> <p>57. <i>O mosquito take a drop
from my blood for having
pollinated my figs.</i></p> <p>58. <i>The tiger plays with
her young like a girl,
and forgot she's a tiger.</i></p> <p>59. <i>O Lord, if you were
to cause a deluge over Malta,
you would not find a Noah!</i></p> |
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| <p>60. Ir-ragħaj it-tajjeb
jaħleb il-merħla tiegħu
u u jgħiżżeha sewwa.</p> <p>61. Saqajk iċċappas
biż-żejt Ģesù jekk timxi
fuq wiċċi il-baħar.</p> <p>62. Ma nafx x'kien jismek,
Alla tal-Ġgantija,
'mma nħobbok xorta.</p> <p>63. Mulej bħal tifel
ċkejken li jħobb il-boċċi,
int thobb il-kwiekeb.</p> <p>64. Hadt żball, buffura,
id-dublett twil ta' Karmni
ħsibtu xi qalgha.</p> <p>65. Il-jum ma ninsa
li l-qalziet twil libbsuni
għall-ewwel darba.</p> <p>66. Hamiema bajda
b'saqajn ħamrana, għidli,
int bl-uniformi?</p> <p>67. Bukkett fuq qabar
bħal telegram ta' fjuri
mingħajr twiegħiba.</p> <p>68. Bid-dawl ta' kelmtek
Ġesù jien insib triqt i
fiż-żmien ta' dejjem.</p> | <p>60. <i>The good shepherd
milks his flock
and shears it thoroughly.</i></p> <p>61. <i>Oh Jesus, if you had
to walk on the waters, you would
besmear your feet with oil.</i></p> <p>62. <i>God of the Gigantija
I don't know your name,
but still I love you.</i></p> <p>63. <i>O Lord just as a little
boy who loves his marbles.
you like the stars.</i></p> <p>64. <i>The wind mistook
the long skirt of Karmni
for a sail.</i></p> <p>65. <i>I shall never never
forget the day when I
first put on my long trousers.</i></p> <p>66. <i>O white dove
with red legs tell me:
are you wearing a uniform?</i></p> <p>67. <i>A bouquet on a grave
is a flower cable
without a reply.</i></p> <p>68. <i>O Jesus with the light
of your word I shall find
my way through eternity.</i></p> |
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| 69. | It-tmiem tax-xitwa;
id-dgħajsa s-sajjied jiżbogħ
biex ivaraha. | 69. | <i>The end of winter;
the fisherman paints his boat
to launch it.</i> |
| 70. | Nahseb, Mulejja,
anki int tidħak xħin tisma'
lill-ħmar qed jinħaq. | 70. | <i>O Lord I think
even you smile when you hear
the donkey braying.</i> |
| 71. | Merħba bik, xita
fil-widien u fl-ghelieqi,
basta mhux f'darna. | 71. | <i>O rain welcome to you
in the valleys and in the fields,
but not in our homes.</i> |
| 72. | Il-wiżża rieqda
b'rasha fuq il-warrani,
kulħadd bil-gosti. | 72. | <i>The swan is sleeping
with her head on her back:
to each his own taste.</i> |
| 73. | Halliel bix-xita
maħsul – hi biss l'hemm fuqu
li mhix misruqa. | 73. | <i>A robber drenched
with rain – the only thing
he did not steal.</i> |
| 74. | Tigra fil-gaġġa
mara quddiemha liebsa
ġilda ta' tigra. | 74. | <i>A tiger at the zoo;
in front of her cage a woman
wearing a tiger's fur.</i> |
| 75. | Zakak ixxengel
denbek mingħajr ma tieqaf:
xi darba tliftu? | 75. | <i>O wagtail wagging
your tail incessantly:
did you ever lose it?</i> |
| 76. | Kalma tas-sajf
fuq il-pinnur mar jorqod
il-ħamiem abjad. | 76. | <i>The summer calm;
the white pigeons sleeping
on the weather cock.</i> |
| 77. | Tas-sajf is-ħana;
l-imrewħa taraha tperrec
sbuħitha kollha. | 77. | <i>The summer warmth;
the fluttering fan shows up
all her beauty.</i> |

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| <p>78. Mal-ewwel xita
il-bebbux ħareġ jimraħ
bħat-tfal fil-festa.</p> <p>79. Mellisni żiffa,
fakkarni f'idejn ommi
meta kont čkejken.</p> <p>80. Għall-ewwel tiġbru
il-weraq niexef iżda
fl-aħħar titilqu.</p> <p>81. Wara t-tempesta
il-baħar qed iżiegħel
bid-dgħajsa mkissra.</p> <p>82. Ja riħ, jien naħseb
li meta fil-pin tonfoħ
int tniggeż wiċċek.</p> <p>83. Serduk, dal-ħarem
sidek iħalllik tgawdi
għax ekonomiku.</p> <p>84. F'sidrek, ħamiema,
hemm minjatura ħelwa
ta' bejn il-Kmiemen.</p> <p>85. Il-għanja daħħlet
rasha ġo ħalq it-tigra
bla ebda biża'.</p> <p>86. Biċ-ċiċra l'għandek
ja kokka, sewwa tagħmel
li bil-lejl toħrog.</p> | <p>78. <i>With the first rain
the snails came out to roam
like children at a fiesta.</i></p> <p>79. <i>O breeze caress me,
remind me of my mother's hands
when I was a little child.</i></p> <p>80. <i>You start collecting
the fallen leaves; but then
you have to give it up.</i></p> <p>81. <i>After the storm
the sea is caressing
the shattered boat.</i></p> <p>82. <i>O wind I imagine
that when you blow against the pines
you prick your face.</i></p> <p>83. <i>O cock your master
allows you to enjoy this harem
because it is economical.</i></p> <p>84. <i>On your breast, o dove,
you have a sweet miniature
of the Blue Lagoon.</i></p> <p>85. <i>The song put her head
in the tiger's mouth
without any fear.</i></p> <p>86. <i>With such an ugly
countenance, owl, you are right
in going out by night.</i></p> |
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| <p>87. L-irmied u ħafna ikreh;
’mma n-nar għola sas-sema
bil-ferħ biex għamlu.</p> | <p>87. <i>The ashes are very ugly;
but to make them the fire
went up to the skies with glee.</i></p> |
| <p>88. Kieku l-imħabba
tidher bħall-ġmiel, min jegħħja
iħares lejha?</p> | <p>88. <i>If love could be seen
like beauty, who would tire
of looking at it?</i></p> |
| <p>89. Qalbi ma’ qalbek
qishom il-blu tas-sema
mal-blu tal-baħar.</p> | <p>89. <i>My heart with your heart
are like the blue of the sky
with the blue of the sea.</i></p> |
| <p>90. Il-ħelsien tiegħek
poplu la tbighux għad-deheb
kollu tad-dinja.</p> | <p>90. <i>People do not sell
your freedom for all the gold
in the world.</i></p> |
| <p>91. Lill-irjieħ kollha
il-qattus irid jgħarraf
li qed jinnamra.</p> | <p>91. <i>The cats must proclaim
to the four winds that they
are making love.</i></p> |
| <p>92. Kemm trid riħ, venven;
rispett uman almenu
lejn ħadd ma għandek.</p> | <p>92. <i>Blow out, o wind;
at least you don’t suffer
from discrimination.</i></p> |
| <p>93. Vilel flok raba’...
għada bħal Midas nieklu
liri flok ħxejjex.</p> | <p>93. <i>Villas in lieu of fields...
tomorrow like Midas we shall eat
gold instead of vegetables.</i></p> |
| <p>94. B’sidru ġamrani
il-petirross itektek:
oħrog peprina!</p> | <p>94. <i>With his red breast
the robin beats the ground:
come forth, o poppy!</i></p> |
| <p>95. Bħalek, Mulejja
“Isir id-dawl” fil-ġħodu
is-serduk jghajjat.</p> | <p>95. <i>The cock cries out
like you, O Lord, every morning:
“Let there be light!”</i></p> |

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| 96. | Mewġiet jiġgieldu
għal biċċa sufra, qishom
tiġieġ imġewha. | 96. | <i>The waves fight together
for a bit of cork, like
hungry hens.</i> |
| 97. | Sbejħa mħabbitna
kienet daqs il-qawsalla,
u ġesrem daqsha. | 97. | <i>Our Love was as
beautiful as the rainbow,
and as short lived.</i> |
| 98. | Triq ta' Sant Anna,
jekk nimxi miegħek nasal
tad-dawl għall-bidu? | 98. | <i>O Milky Way, if
I were to walk along you, will I
reach the fountain of light?</i> |
| 99. | Ja dawl go ruħi,
ja dawl quddiem ghajnejja,
aħwa t-tnejn intom. | 99. | <i>O light in my soul,
o light before my eyes,
you are brothers.</i> |
| 100. | Ja berwieq sbejjaħ
int tikber ġewwa x-xaghri
bħat-tfal f'kerrejja. | 100. | <i>Beautiful wild asphodels
growing on a waste land
like children in the slum.</i> |