Came along a winter
And killed off all my language
The shadows got long on the walk
Across the ice on the lake

The future of December Is memories of last summer So I stoke it like a wood stove I'm always wanting more

The endless weight of my life Can be lifted up like wings The underneath of my life An effortlessness in it sings

I live up to what I sing to As if I'm telling the truth I imagine who is listening And it's not all of you I mean

La-la-la in the morning When the blinds are opened That's when I see the redwing And the redwing sees me too

The endless weight of our lives
Can be lifted up like wings
The underneath of our lives
An effortlessness in it sings

California winter
It brought me back my language
And then once I'd spoken the truth
That's when the redwing landed
And she sang, "La-la-la, la-la-la"