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### **Trapped in the Merciless Himalayas**

A Walk to remember in the brutal Himalayas  
where the mighty Everest stare and snares.  
Who dare; dare to traverse its merciless slopes  
in wasted hopes of a doomed glory.

A serpentine river and the vapid sky  
gape and gawk at the passersby.  
Who are trapped; trapped with no end to this less travelled way  
in suffocating nights that pass into deadly gory days.

A craggy path and jarring wind  
Slyly smirk at the submitters.  
Who are lost; lost amid dim hopes of a dreary splendor  
in boulevard of broken dreams and ghastly morrows.

The cheerful skies and the majestic slopes  
gurgling river and rolling paths  
sing with the euphoric wind of the glorious; forever glorious Sherpas  
who chaperone and guide the lost towards the sordid boon.

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