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# MINUTES

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You asked what are you doing?

This is what's up:

- I. —
- II. All the voices have gathered. Loneliness stands in the middle
- III. Once again the sky is perceived to be blue
- IV. How does the cricket mate? This was understood
- V. How nice it feels to swim. This was deeply felt
- VI. Immersed in memories the past is reconstructed
- VII. The history of painting is examined in caves
- VIII. There is a void left after the examination of conscience
- IX. Taking adam's viewpoint I become part of the sendoff
- X. The orders have been announced: Lie down at night and get up  
during the day. Hour after hour this is how it goes
- XI. A literal viewpoint is to be equated with milk and cream
- XII. From the balcony it was seen how close the mountains are
- XIII. Whatever is possible has been done. What a beautiful kiss!
- XIV. Anything that has been ripped open—including hope—has been  
sewn up
- XV. The tale of storks is an old one I heard once again
- XVI. Love love love. It has been entrusted to the future for you to decipher
- XVII. Any possible way to leave has been memorized
- XVIII. Love is somehow part of separation and pity
- XIX. The state of being able to stop is familiar. It has already moved on

## APPENDIX:

- XX. Life is imprisoned with unnecessary anger. This is the truth.