

# The Windmills of Your Mind

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Round,  
Like a circle in a spiral  
Like a wheel within a wheel  
Never ending or beginning  
On an ever-spinning reel

Like a snowball down a mountain  
Or a carnival balloon  
Like a carousel that's turning  
Running rings around the moon

Like a clock whose hands are sweeping  
Past the minutes on its face  
And the world is like an apple  
Spinning silently in space

Like the circles that you find  
In the windmills of your mind  
Like a tunnel that you follow  
To a tunnel of its own

Down a hollow to a cavern  
Where the sun has never shone  
Like a door that keeps revolving  
In a half-forgotten dream

Like the ripples from a pebble  
Someone tosses in a stream  
Like a clock whose hands are sweeping  
Past the minutes on its face

And the world is like an apple  
Spinning silently in space  
Like the circles that you find  
In the windmills of your mind

Keys that jingle in your pocket  
Words that jangle in your head  
Why did summer go so quickly?  
Was it something that I said?

Lovers walk along a shore  
And leave their footprints in the sand  
Was the sound of distant drumming  
Just the fingers of your hand?

Pictures hanging in a hallway  
Or the fragment of a song  
Half-remembered names and faces  
but to whom do they belong?

When you knew that it was over  
Were you suddenly aware  
That the autumn leaves were turning  
To the colour of her hair?

Like a circle in a spiral

Like a wheel within a wheel  
Never ending or beginning  
On an ever-spinning reel

As the images unwind  
Like the circles that you find  
In the windmills of your mind