Friday On Hope Street

Torture Garden

Hazy lazy faintly shadyWeary from another day Crumpled suits and tired eyes Homewards to that other life Daisy off out to the bingo Best bonnet and floral dress Bus pass grasped and at the ready Meeting Mabel weekly treat

Crazy Dave out on the pull Looking to forget himself Party girl Trish spent hours in her lair Caking on make-up and braiding her hair But they all died that night With 'if only' on their lips Astounded by the lightening flash And when the sky enveloped them They slept beneath a blanket of ash