

## 17 Pink Sugar Elephants

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I saw seventeen pink sugar elephants  
Sitting under a chestnut tree  
I said good morning pink sugar elephants  
But they wouldn't speak to me

Each had two eyes but they couldn't see me there  
Each had four legs but they couldn't go anywhere  
And so we just sat  
That early autumn morning  
Sun not yet risen and magic everywhere

I walked up to one pink sugar elephant  
Asked why wouldn't he speak to me  
But he was a factory-made pink sugar elephant  
Given to children for treats after tea

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He had four legs but he couldn't go anywhere  
And so we just sat  
That early autumn morning  
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