

## Cat and Mouse

I look forward to what is yet to come  
Like a cat waits for a mouse  
To come out of its hole.  
Eager, anticipant, immobile  
With controlled tension.  
Wait long enough,  
It will come.  
Cat sinks fangs into mouse flesh,  
In frenzied blood lust  
As cat toys with mouse.  
I spring toward my future, claws out,  
Pounce on possibilities,  
Some slip away as I  
Sink my teeth into others,  
As cat, finally,  
Eats the mouse.

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