Fish, Assassing

I am the assassin, with tongue forged from eloquence I am the assassin, providing your nemesis On the sacrificial altar to success, my friend Unleash a stranger from a kiss, my friend No incantations of remorse, my friend Unsheath the blade within the voice My friend, my friend, my friend, my friend

I am the assassin

Who decorates the scarf with the fugi knot Who camouflaged emotion in the thousand-yard stare

Who gouged the notches in the family tree

Who hypnotized the guilt in career rhythm trance

Assassin, assassin, assassin

(Assassin, my friend.)

Listen as the syllables of slaughter cut with calm precision Patterned frosty phrases rape your ears and sew the ice incision Adjectives of annihilation bury the point beyond redemption Venomous verbs of ruthless candor plagiarize assassins' fervour Apocalyptic alphabet casting spell, the creed of tempered diction

My friend, your friend, the assassin A friend in need is a friend that bleeds Let bitter silence infect the wound I am the assassin, (your friend)

Assassin

You were a sentimental mercenary in a free-fire zone Parading a Hollywood conscience

You were a fashionable objector with a uniform fetish

Pavlovian slaver at the cash-till ring of success

A non-com observer, I assassin, the collector... defector

So you resigned yourself to failure, my friend And I emerged the chilling stranger, my friend

To eradicate the problem, my friend Unsheath the blade within the voice

Within the voice, within the voice

Within the voice

And what do you call assassins who accuse assassins, anyway My friend?