

Peter Hammill, On The Surface

On the surface
phosphorus gleaming;
deep down we carry on dreaming.

On the surface
compass and charts checked;
deep down the currents run
in a shining vortex,
in a swirling vortex.

On the surface
oil troubled water
sails set the seas on fire
to the farthest quarter...
Are we dreaming?
Dream deep of childhood,
dream deep of future days
it'll all come good,
deep dreaming.

On the surface
head above water
legs kick the carry-on...
(dreaming) break the surface;
dreaming of long-lost childhood,
hoping for better days
it'll all come good,
deep dreaming.

It'll all come good,
deep dreaming.
It'll all come to the surface,
it'll all rise to the surface,
deep dreaming.