

If one is listening to another person talking, one may either (a) be studying verbal behaviour in terms of neural processes and the whole apparatus of vocalizing or (b) be trying to understand what he is saying

Man seen as an organism or man as seen as a person discloses different aspects of the human reality to the investigator

film - face - talking - sound distortion
" " " face distortion. } film "division"



The term schizoid refers to an individual the totality of whose experience is split in two main ways: in the first place, there is a rent in his relation with his world and, in the second, there is a disruption of his relation with himself. Such a person is not able to experience himself 'together with' others or 'at home' in the world, but, on the contrary, he experiences himself in despairing loneliness, aloneness and isolation; moreover, he does not experience himself as a complete person but rather as a 'split' in various ways, perhaps as a mind more or less tenuously linked to a body, as two or more selves, and so on.

"Anticed
through
colours, content
My thoughts
My hands
dissolve
into a photograph,
divorced
and impersonal
unreal emotion
false."

Tidal Waves

the noise the exhilaration the knowledge that I would survive
the silence the calm.

the words "I could have been worse" our enemies could have survived
the horror.

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Exposed

What remains in me
that is untouched?

Purging

through bloody madness
there may be something
bubbling and sucking

Inspiration

asserted with confidence
untainted, perfection

To speak without humiliation
and without regret
to know where to begin
and where to end

To express myself
without offence.



His whole life has been torn between his desire to reveal himself and his desire to conceal himself.

We all share this problem with him and we have all arrived at a more ~~or~~ or less satisfactory solution.

We have our secrets and our needs to confess. We may remember how, in childhood, adults at first were able to look right through us, and into us, and what an accomplishment it was when we, in fear and trembling, could tell our first lie, and make, for ourselves, the discovery that we are irredeemably alone in certain respects, and know that within the territory of ourselves there can only be our footprints.

He is made of glass, of such transparency and fragility that a look directed at him splinters him to bits and penetrates straight through him.

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We have to recognize all the time his distinctiveness and differentness, his separateness and loneliness and despair.

There are many images to describe related ways in which identity is threatened, the dread of engulfment e.g. being buried, being drowned, being caught and dragged down into quicksand. Fire - which may be the uncertain flickering of the individual's own inner aliveness. It may be a destructive alien power which will devastate him. To be cold and dry yet to dread any warmth or wet. To be engulfed by the fire or the water is either way, to be destroyed.

Hate - longing to turn and run,
Anger trying to cut in spite of myself;
To rip and tear at pain,
until dissolving into a watery trickle,
Cowardice - remorse and regret;
Curl into that pathetic pulp,
Stronger than desire.