

## Mila's New House

Good morning, brilliant egg drop!  
Fortifications in Steppen Stone  
Cascading white hellos on castle rooftops.

We woke up early this morning  
A quick ring  
Disjointed message of Nuschke's whereabouts.

Within sleigh bells' jingling time  
We are attended by maidens of the morning  
Happily feeding our patron his English Breakfast tea.

This morning is an auspicious one—  
Early up and full of great delight  
Making a new home for grandfather.

I'm so nervous with joy  
And my fingers quiver slightly just to think  
Of placing his ancient form with deep devotion.

Lifting my aging grandfather  
And laying him on a brocade bed to rest—  
So white  
So clean  
So brilliant.

This old man he played not-two  
He played knick knack in the snow mountains  
No wonder we're up so early!  
Somehow, I love everybody today—  
It must be his doing.

Polished shoes  
Treehorns of a jackalope  
We started this in Jackson Hole  
And filled it up with luminosity.

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