

We remember

Why do you droop, Sweet Gum?
we remember the demolished buildings,
the collapsing houses,
bang-bang.

Why are you silent, Sweet Gum?
we remember the screaming guns and
the booming tanks,
the falling trees,
crash-crash.

Why do you groan, Sweet Gum?
we remember the shouting and crying,
the whining of propellers,
breaking-breaking.

Why do you creak, Sweet Gum?
we remember the lost families,
the crying babies,
shouting-shouting.

Taka

We remember.
Why do you droop roses?
We remember the sounds of
crying.

The crashing of bombs.
Crash-crash-crash.

Why are you silent roses?
We remember the crashing
slashing, shouting-thrashing,
screaming soldiers.
Screaming - screaming

Why do you groan roses?
We remember tank & gunshots
the oath of soldiers
crying - crying.

Why do you creak roses?
We remember demand of
peace and the grief nation.
hating - hating.

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Fighting for freedom.

The banging of guns

The trembling of buildings

The fear in my heart as the tanks
were shooting.

The whizzing of planes

The stamping of the soldiers' boots

The quaking of the ground as the bombs dropped
down.

The screaming of voices

The thudding of feet

The chattering of teeth as the
soldiers stood in fear.

Mohammed

We remember

Why do you droop Snowy mespilus?
We remember the sounds of distraction,
the booming gun shots.
Shooting - shooting.

Why do you groan Snowy mespilus?
We remember the red, oozing blood,
Windows shattering,
Smashing - Smashing.

Why are you silent Snowy mespilus?
We remember the sacrifice of the soldiers,
the loves ones don't come back,
Crying - crying.

Why do you creak Snowy mespilus?
We remember bombs booming, lonely
upset families crying,
bang - bang.

We remember, all too clearly, all too often,
We weep because others grieve.

Musab

We remember
Why do you droop poppies?
We remember the sound of
loud shouting,
the crashing of bombs,
crash crash.

Why are you silent poppies?
We remember the dead soldiers,
the thunderous gun shots,
crying crying.

Why do you groan poppies?
We remember the broken buildings,
the colossal terrifying tank,
clang clang.

Why do you creak poppies?
We remember the blood,
people screaming with terror
screaming screaming.

We remember
all too clearly, all too often.

We weep because others forget.

Dominic

We remember

Why do you droop, Sweet Gums?

We remember the pozing and wounding of the
blood streaming and declaring at their death, the
screams of terror.

Pour - pour

Why are you silent, Sweet Gums?

We remember the children screaming
the buildings clashing and thrashing
Bang - bang

Why do you groan, Sweet Gums?

We remember the lashing of bombs, and
people, destroying and gunshots shooting.
Boom - boom

We remember

all too clearly, all too often.

We weep because others forget.

Amelia