

| Inferences of time  | Features and inferences of place  |
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| One, "Harry" (19 poems including the prologue, 'The colour of our town')  |   |
| <p>handkerchief (p. 3)<br/>chalk (p. 4)<br/>sump oil (p. 10)<br/>whirligig (p. 15)<br/>Chalkboard (p. 29)<br/>Pieman (p. 30)</p>  | <p>cane toads (p. 3)<br/>dry grass (p. 3)<br/>snakes, cane toads (p. 3)<br/>Deakin Foundry (p. 7)<br/>Cowpers Paddock (p. 14)<br/>Durra Creek (p. 14)<br/>Oakwood Cemetery (p. 16)<br/>casuarina (p. 17)<br/>our small town (p. 18)<br/>Fruit bats (p. 24)<br/>Foundry and sawmill<br/>mangroves, mudcrabs, mulberries, Paterson's Curse (p. 25)</p>  |
| Two, (25 poems)   |   |
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| Three, "Love and sex" (21 poems)  |   |
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| whirligig (p. 95)<br>Brylcreem (p.98)<br>Pound note (p. 102)<br>shillings (p. 105)<br>'up the duff' (p. 107)<br>frenchie (p. 107)<br>Jailbird (p. 109)<br>Houdini (p. 109)   |  |
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| Five, "Storm season" (13 poems)  |  |
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