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## **BREAKDOWN**

Everybody in the town knows  
About my breakdown. It was  
My brother's Holy Confirmation  
That day, and I was his sponsor;  
Or supposed to be anyway.

I try and try again now,  
To think back and try  
To process what went wrong  
That day.

But still it never fully registers.  
I always get to the brink and then  
Even when I jump off, curiously,  
In my mind, into the darkness...

I never land.

The pit is bottomless  
And it keeps me falling through  
Life  
Trying, hoping for an end.

Trying to think of where it leads,  
All the while being to ashamed and  
Afraid of the answer;  
I continue to fall.

And think.  
In fear and wonderment,  
As if struck simply by an open-ended book,  
A thousand pages long.