

Methods of reading the text

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Close reading

Ezra Pound

„April“

Three spirits came to me

And drew me apart

To where the olive boughs

Lay stripped upon the ground;

Pale carnage beneath bright mist.

Wiliam Carlos Wiliams

“Marriage”

So different, this man

And this woman:

A stream flowing

In a field.

Meaning

Style

Text as sociohistorical object

When it was written?

Where it was written?

In which institution it was
published?

Reading with machine-
learning framework

sky = True	not-ha : haiku =	5.7 : 1.0
shall = True	not-ha : haiku =	5.0 : 1.0
sea = True	not-ha : haiku =	5.0 : 1.0
man = True	not-ha : haiku =	4.3 : 1.0
last = True	not-ha : haiku =	3.7 : 1.0
snow = True	haiku : not-ha =	3.7 : 1.0
earth = True	not-ha : haiku =	3.7 : 1.0
blue = True	not-ha : haiku =	3.7 : 1.0
pass = True	not-ha : haiku =	3.7 : 1.0
voice = True	haiku : not-ha =	3.7 : 1.0
white = True	not-ha : haiku =	3.0 : 1.0
house = True	haiku : not-ha =	3.0 : 1.0
child = True	not-ha : haiku =	3.0 : 1.0
give = True	not-ha : haiku =	3.0 : 1.0
lo = True	haiku : not-ha =	3.0 : 1.0
sun = True	not-ha : haiku =	3.0 : 1.0
life = True	not-ha : haiku =	2.3 : 1.0
full = True	haiku : not-ha =	2.3 : 1.0
things = True	haiku : not-ha =	2.3 : 1.0
morning = True	haiku : not-ha =	2.3 : 1.0

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To what degree this text
belongs to some category?

Literature