

## Three of Hearts

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If one could have a view into the soul of a very young  
heart

And allowed to see the things that help it to jumpstart

Delicately though

So as not to tear it apart

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And then divide what the soul lets us see /  
carefully in to sections of three?

What are some of the things that we would see?

Would love, respect and honor make up the trinity?

Beat Beat Beat

Of course , its steady beat has to be heard..

.Melody and rhythm meeting harmony ... undisturbed

Pounding, or resting depending on nerves

Because those parts are needed everywhere

What gets split between family, teachers and peers?

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A child's healthy heart is full of laughter and song

Ideas keep it pumping all day long

Even when it seems like it prefers solitude

Imagined universes exist full of longitude, latitude

and attitude

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Play

1

Pirates fought off with rubber bands

Held in the smallest of hands

2

Tea served for a queen or two

Bottomless cups for the royal to do

3

Jumpropes spinning faster than the speed of light

Double Dutch in sneakers that always stay white

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But of course a kids day isn't all just play

There are three parts of the journey

From sunup until the time when slumber gives way

1-

Morning

Wake up to everyday as a an adventure , poem or prayer

New possibilities exist , even when there is fear

2

-Noon

Not only is it the time to eat

It is figuring out if the day feels sour or sweet

3-

Dinner /night

Wrapping up the night with one final meal  
and trying to stay away from the sandman's last deal  
But alas, the heart has moon dreams to fulfill

So the eye lids suddenly have a heavier feel  
No matter how much one tries to keep them open through  
sheer will

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Unfortunately

It's harder to see  
A heart broken into parts of three

1

It might take more than a while  
To see the tears behind the smile

2

Or to know, that a lack of love flow  
Is stunting its ability to grow

3

Cracks created by lies  
Covered up by alibis  
One has to look a little harder to measure  
The full extent of the plundered treasure

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So who are the three

Keepers of a young heart's stability?

1

One is the person with whom they can read  
The photosynthesis of knowledge as the seed

2

Another is the provider of hugs  
Even when it is covered with mud and bugs

3

Could the third be the keeper of time?  
Keeping count of the balance between reason and rhyme

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The conclusion of our view into it's marvelous inside  
Reminds us all

That heart will be used for as long as one is alive

1

While child hood goes through it's very short ride

2

–During long years that one is told to put childish things  
aside

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At the end of the journey when there is nothing left to hide

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Take a look inside your own heart  
Beat Beat

Remember the things that helped it jumpstart

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