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The following sequence is a following sequence. Its poems are a transliteration and continuation of *Collecting Shells*.

quell |kwel|

verb [trans.]

put an end to (a rebellion or other disorder), typically by the use of force: *extra police were called to quell the disturbance.*

- subdue or silence someone: *Lawrence quelled him with a look.*
- suppress (a feeling, esp. an unpleasant one): *Patricia spoke up again to quell any panic among the assembled youngsters.*
- pacify: *she quelled her fears.*
- overcome or allay: to quell pain; to quell grief.

ORIGIN Old English *cwellan* [kill,] of Germanic origin; related to German *quälen* 'torture.'

Synonyms

calm, soothe, settle, quiet, allay, assuage, overcome;  
literary – stay.

**IN TRO(TH)**





## **Read (These) Together**

to gather  
a rime  
of an unancient,  
unmarryner  
a rif/t  
to re-member  
to nurse  
erry rhyme

while (not)  
    out to get/her,  
*She* gathers

under(the)taking

**UNCOLLECTED**      **[S]**  
                                 **H**  
                                 **ELLES**

as if trying on lone some

a brittle bit of

ape

in words :

*fossils*

touched

relationship-shaped

self-scape

[d]

un read,

begin to *braille*,

see sure . . .

(a)gain s

(night) watch : bubbles up  
on down body  
in bath bathed  
without tide  
when *tired* tried to  
its limits,  
lathered  
p(o)ore