

# Daniel Definitions

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Futility is:

Kidnapping your three-hundredth princess.  
Slaying your three-hundred-first dragon.

Guessing at meanings in random numbers.  
Submitting an empty paper.

Fear:  
A woman who could feel no fear said, "Fear is a baby crawling."  
No.  
Fear is a wolf in your face, poised to tear out your jugular.  
Fear is a spider or snake, poised to inject.  
Fear is a perfectly good plane, you must throw yourself from.  
Fear is fifty zombies, running for you.  
Fear is threadlike worms, digging into your flesh.  
Fear is a point of light in the sky – an ICBM.  
Fear is your child, not answering the phone.  
Fear is everyone you have ever known, hating you for your failure.  
That is fear.

Fashion:

"Fashion is an excuse to shun people.  
Useless; I can't believe the sheeple!"

But seriously, what is this passion you all call 'fashion?'  
I must memorize what matches; I still know nearly nothing.

I knew not nice clothes,  
Though I thought their wearer lovely;  
They seemed "too formal."

Cynical Me:  
I see the world too cynically –  
Criminals don't really  
Lurk in every alley.

"...protect the Universe, at all costs."  
"Don't worry; humanity isn't that stupid."  
I don't like that bet,  
But my cynic's fears  
Calm: Nuclears  
For sixty years  
No Global War yet.

