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## The List

## Rhymes

Ate: hate, fate, great, compensate Ay: day, say, may, lay, way Ane: mundane, pain, slain, remain, stain, again Ash: ash, clash, flash, trash, slash Ad: dad, glad, mad, sad, bad En: darken, frighten, broken, problem, forgotten Eksyolæs<sup>§</sup>, confess I: I, guy, lie, cry, try, dry, sigh, belie, why Ide: lied, belied, si2b When you rely on the janitor to clean your junk, Even "carelessness" is a euphemism: Yourself is the problem.

Last but not least, bolded and underlined, A concept that phrases can't define. When you say a x but do a y, When your actions do not accord with your words, Even though you had sworn to the lords, That you would do it, And I had believed it.

Sometimes it is done unintentionally: The previous promises were simply forgotten. But how dependable can one be, If their own words can be broken?

The list goes on and on, Spelling out each abominable behavior. Some are simple, only one word, "unpunctual," While others elucidate the definition of traitor.

But the list is born for one alone, Who has written down her agony, Just so that she will never commit such things What she believes to be a felony.

I have a list of all things I hate. I keep it to myself so that, every day, I carefully avoid behaving in these ways, Not letting others feel the gloom, if I may.