

Sumner Beach

Gentle waves brush onto my feet.
Grey sand crunches between my toes.
Chunks of driftwood lie like lazy cats.
Crabs sprint like wind-up toys
over scattered seaweed.
Sea sparkles like silk scarves.
Seagulls dive for hot chips,
screaching like nails on a chalkboard.
Sea salt whifts under my nose.
The moana crashes like cymbals.
Bright pink clouds cover the sky like cotton candy.

Picking up pāua shells,
I slowly walk across the beach
looking back at the sunset,
hoping when I return to this magical place
it will be the same.

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