



# Instant histories

That sallow mother-of-two is, after dark,  
belly-dancing champion of the Cynon Valley,

and the small bespectacled bloke in the corner  
built the world's first warp drive last night.

The woman in black served her husband aconite  
for horseradish (it's all right ; he had it coming).

As for the young blonde, she's dreaming  
of her boss, who, alas, has time only

for the ravishing Bambi-eyed toyboy  
he brought back from Bangkok. And myself ?

Oh, I'm the one who can give you a life.

Watch out for me, the one who makes notes,

who listens and says nothing. The one who writes.

*Sheenagh Pugh*