

# *Crab Dance*

Play moonlight  
and the red crabs dance  
their scuttle-foot dance  
on the mad-packed beach

Play moonlight  
and the red crabs dance  
their sideways dance  
to the soft-sea beat

Play moonlight  
and the red crabs dance  
their bulb-eyed dance  
their last crab dance

*Grace Nichols (b. 1950)*