

## EXTRACT

# *The curious case of Rhymer McGuigan*

a short play

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**Cast**

RHYMER McGUIGAN

ESTELLE

SIREN 1

SIREN 2

SIREN 3

SIREN 4

**The curious case of Rhymer McGuigan**

SIREN 1: Losing love

SIREN 3: is a little like

SIREN 4: death.

SIREN 2: A little

SIREN 1: It is also just as

SIREN 3: unexpected.

SIREN 1: If you knew that

SIREN 2: was the last

SIREN 3: time

SIREN 1: The last moments

SIREN 3: you would share

SIREN 1: with your

SIREN 2: Loved one.

SIREN 1: You would savour it

SIREN 4: More

SIREN 2: Enjoy it

SIREN 4: more.

SIREN 1: Allow it to

SIREN 3: Linger

SIREN 1: On your

SIREN 2: lips

SIREN 3: Your skin

SIREN 4: Your finger

SIREN 2: tips.

SIREN 1: But you remain

SIREN 3: Unaware

SIREN 1: This is the

SIREN 2: last

SIREN 4: time.

SIREN 1: No special care is

SIREN 3: taken.

SIREN 1: It's another day

SIREN 3: Another time

SIREN 2: And then

SIREN 4: It's gone.

LIGHTS CHANGE.

SIREN 1: This is a story

SIREN 2: of the sea

SIREN 3: A story set

SIREN 4: by the sea

SIREN 2: The sea side

SIREN 3: Beaches

SIREN 1: Boats

SIREN 2: Waiting for

SIREN 4: the sirens' call

LIGHTS UP ON **RHYMER**. HE SITS.

SIREN 1: His name is Rhymer.

SIREN 2: Why Rhymer?

SIREN 4: That was never explained.

SIREN 3: To him?

SIREN 4: Anyone.

SIREN 1: For all his life he has simply been known as –

SIREN 3: Rhymer

SIREN 2: Rhymer McGuigan

SIREN 1: He had no great affection for his name

SIREN 4: Or desire to live up to it.

SIREN 3: If Rhymer wrote verse

SIREN 2: Which he did not

SIREN 4: It would've been long,

SIREN 1: Unambiguous

SIREN 3: and definitely

SIREN 2: Without rhyme.

SIREN 1: He lived a

SIREN 2: Neat

SIREN 4: Ordered

SIREN 3: Structured

SIREN 1: life  
A place for

SIREN 2: Everything

SIREN 3: And everything

SIREN 4: in it's

SIREN 1: Place