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## Beautiful Lesson of the I

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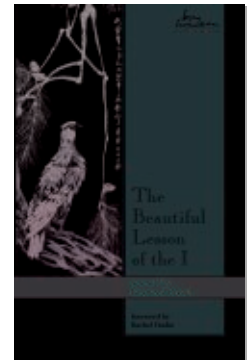
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## SHELLS

In winter you can blow into them like God's horn:  
Some are ivory vagabonds with chafed limbs.

The fat, bodiless infant star  
tumbles its reincarnation before the rotation  
of the planets.

Sea horses slice  
*paper warriors on wooden sticks.*

When you turn over the leopard conch,  
you see it's a house with nothing much to do inside.