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This book of poetry entitled "SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL" describes the way I feel about life, love, and reality. It has been my pleasure to have healed broken hearts, only to have been left with a broken heart. It's crazy. Because although I know this to be my reality. I am still so deeply in love with love. So as you read understand I am sharing with you my hopes and dreams.

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I pressed my lips softly against yours  
to put air in your chest so you can breathe  
I sheltered you from falling nights  
so restless spirits couldn't tamper with your sleep  
I kissed your eyes so you could remember  
what your mind can conceive  
your day dreams  
I acknowledged your sorrow and torment  
because I love you  
I had to let you see what hell meant  
your tears  
I've kept them in my loving embrace  
so when you are happy and forget to give thanks  
to remind you  
I will sprinkle you with your liquid pain  
I will always forgive a sincere heart  
if you heart seeks forgiveness  
speak and I will release  
an abundance of gentle kisses  
"MY KISS"....

BY E.L. BALLANCE II.

For love

I will without thought except your faults  
and mistakes

because that's what love takes

For love

I will cry each pain filled tear  
and sprinkle you with affectionate smiles  
to ensure your heart remains secure

For love

I will pass a thousand times  
if with each birth  
your kiss would caress my present life

For love

I will agree to be baptized  
under a star-less sky  
in a flaming pit  
because without it, love

I am destined to be  
a tormented spirit

"FOR LOVE"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Happiness strokes my face  
the way a misty grey marble blanket  
smothers a widows walk  
before greeting the birth of the sun  
my eyes are visual stones  
where daggers shield  
the meek interior of my being  
where my soul yearns  
for comfort and companionship  
the rain streaks my face  
seeping through stone  
the way burning stars shout fearlessly  
from a black sky  
within, a typhoon swells in the vacancy of reciprocation  
patience  
is where my heart is an iron clad fist  
amiss a lonely sea  
clinging to hope  
yet slowly sinking in an abyss of uncertainty  
without pain  
my existance is surreal  
resistant to abandonment  
where fantasies become substance  
where substance is surreal  
my face is a fury of silk  
unsettled and wavering each time my focus shifts  
the silk lifts, the silk is adrift  
the dream is of this

"A FURY OF SILK"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Grasp these thoughts  
I think of you silently  
clutching visions of your smile  
between each breath  
Excessive  
I think not  
excessive is is thinking of you  
and shuffling someone else  
between each thought  
merely I am a mortal soul  
trying to find heaven  
buried beneath your eyes  
trying to find comfort in your heart  
to shelter me from this painful life  
love as I see it  
maybe my only escape  
between each breath  
my thoughts of you  
are all that ease my pain  
at the moment hope is what keeps me sane  
there is no other way to explain  
the grain of strength that is left  
"BETWEEN EACH BREATH"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

How much do I relinquish  
to become a recipient of simple words  
words that inspire freedom  
words that inspire life  
words that if relayed properly  
could aid a failing spirit from despair  
how much of me do I relinquish  
to repair your thought of a broken man  
how much of me do I relinquish  
so you can begin to see and understand  
that we are not the same  
that gender is not the completion of a man  
how will you come to know what is gold  
if you refuse to wash your hands  
to cherish mistakes of the past  
is to allow your failures to win  
how much of me do I continue to relinquish  
before I become a forgotten man  
"A VELVET THOUGHT".....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.



Visions of love  
the interpretation of truth is I  
the feelings I refuse to deny  
the uncontrollable passion  
the power of the flames that you ignite  
the need to look into your eyes  
each time I close mine  
how deep  
the depth of us is now to be  
to become one  
to dwell inside of you  
and you with me  
the reality of  
"VISIONS OF LOVE"....  
Love for eternity....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

When she spoke  
her voice told me there was nothing to fear  
her curiosity proved me worthy  
and the dancing flames stood still between her pauses  
I counted  
but could not recount what was left still  
As she whispered the reflection of GOD'S love  
I felt the warmth of her face in the palm of my hands  
now I love, love even more than I understand  
when she speaks to me the rain subsides  
my hearing enfolds  
and my visions are through her eyes  
and I,  
I dreamt once I was a angel name MICHALEAUB  
the angel of hearts  
I dreamt it was my way of life  
my purpose was to love  
and to not know what love felt like  
still in her eyes  
still I stood there not knowing love was  
all that I was  
but,  
"SHE KNEW"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Blessed  
you say your getting old  
but one such as myself  
always thought that journeys  
were traveled by the hearts of youth  
so I state in kind  
age does not mean old  
just older  
age in heaven is measured equally  
by the youth of your heart  
and the wisdom of your spirit  
it's a blessing so smile when you say  
it's your birthday  
your blessed....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Listen,

I hope the thoughts that consume your mind  
are as pleasant as the phrases that consume my eyes  
when I look at your picture  
"BEAUTIFUL".

Listen,

don't be afraid to feel  
let your past be your guide to your future  
no one is content with being alone  
we,  
you and I are content with  
not wanting to feel the wrath of someone else's pain.

Listen,

is what I do when I read your thoughts  
I put myself at your mercy  
I feel what you feel  
so far away physically  
but my thoughts as gallant as they are  
race between the miles that separate us  
I race to embrace your thoughts  
and to shield you from your present and future pain.

Listen,

and the wind will whisper  
"He loves you"  
because I do.  
"LISTEN"....

In love with love  
my love seeks it's self to please  
it cares only about how love feels  
so my heart mended the cracks in yours  
I created heaven for your love  
while mine remains in hells tears  
grasping with all it's might to a calm wind  
trampled in this life beneath the weight of fate  
loves true strength is it's own  
as I sleep, I pray that you find me  
"IN LOVE WITH LOVE"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Before us  
I only heard about love and happiness  
before you  
I was only existing waiting to be free  
of the cold cafes that confine my heart  
before you  
my future was bleak  
in a instant you became my light  
guiding me out of the darkness  
I thought that after you  
after us  
that my path would become dark again  
I was wrong  
"BEFORE US"....

BY EL.LBALLANCE II.

From a strong American born BLACK MAN  
I sincerely hope that you will embrace my thoughts  
I know that you are a bit apprehensive  
but fear not for my only expectation  
is the reciprocation of my thoughts  
when I think of you  
in my mind a million stars begin to burst  
I know that the caliber of your being  
will take infinity to describe  
and I will find pleasure spending infinity  
trying to embrace the woman that you are  
for ten years I am willing to dance with your thoughts  
for ten more years I will walk you to and from  
and for twenty years I will pause outside your door  
and politely kiss you good night  
and for infinity I will appreciate you more and more  
beyond the existence of time  
"INFINITY"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

I was a lot of things before I became a man  
through the pain, the silence, and my struggle to survive  
I have become  
a solid structure of unclaimed, profound dreams  
if my heart and mind have created all that I see  
then I prefer to live in a daze  
so long as you love me  
so what if my reality is a fantasy  
so what if I dedicate my existence to making you happy  
mama told you there should always be passion in your life  
don't choose  
just allow me to rekindle the flames in your eyes  
so what if I may never know your embrace  
nothing can take away the way I feel  
when I softly kiss your face  
I can sustain the flames  
there will never come a dull moment to entertain  
I evolve by getting deeper  
call it hopeless but I can sustain the flames  
"JUST ME"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.



The beginning of eternity  
let today be the beginning of the rest of our lives  
let today give me all the strength that I need  
to stand for all eternity  
as I stand before you appreciating all the woman that you are  
and all the man  
that your sincere love, respect, and support  
has helped me become  
know that I choose not to kneel  
because I truly respect all that you are  
I stand before a woman who is defined by her own success  
her own power and foundation  
I honor you by choosing to stand for you  
for me and more importantly for us  
I stand against all temptation  
I will bear the blunt force of all your assumptions  
when I am lonely  
I will lay with my soul with thoughts of you  
fore I will never be the cause of your pain  
today is the beginning of eternity  
today I am asking you to let me be the keeper  
of all your past tears and pain  
today I am asking you to give me your heart  
and to love me for all eternity  
today I'm asking you to be my wife  
be everything that I want and need in a wife  
a friend and as lover  
I just want you to be you

Will you marry me? Yes, is "THE BEGINNING OF ETERNITY"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

If I could find her  
I would tell her that there is nothing in this world  
means more to me than the moments that we spend together  
when I look into her eyes  
I don't think about where I am  
I think about where I want to be  
that place is here with you no pain and no sorrow  
just us floating on a cloud of intimacy  
I am the reciprocation of your dreams  
I am like you gasping for air  
waiting impatiently for your safe return  
eager to explore your thoughts and yearning  
to find a new way of comforting you each time we embrace  
the image of your beauty dances between my thoughts  
as often as my lips as soft as rose petals  
gently kiss the length of your neck  
slowly and softly I yearn to caress you  
and your mind inward  
to where the blaze of your soul purges forth  
to greet my touch  
I am engulfed by your flames our passion spills  
and the scented oils from our embrace  
taste sweeter than the dreams that we often race back to  
if you get there first  
please tell her where I am  
"LOOKING"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

I am man enough  
I have never walked in your shoes  
but I have traced and stood firm in your foot prints  
I have never nor will I ever be the cause of your tears  
but I have laid next to you, laying in your puddle  
I have never been able to kiss the tears away  
as they fell from your eyes  
but I have struggled to count the tears that has fallen  
I want so bad to put **MY** arms around you  
but my situation is fear  
fear that I may lose yet again  
fear that you may not hold onto me  
as tightly as I hold onto you  
I want so bad to kiss you  
to give you everything that is in my heart  
I traced your past only to feel what you feel  
so I could understand what made you the woman that you are  
now I feel, now I see, and I know  
so know this  
I am man enough to cry for you  
I am man enough to be engulfed in your pain  
I am man enough to stay and never walk away  
I am reaching with every fiber of my being  
I am over nothing suspended in midair  
with a hope that you will reach for me  
with the same desire to never let go  
"I AM MAN ENOUGH"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

The tears of a BLACK MAN  
BLACK WOMAN the splitting image of your mothers diamond  
it is less than fair attempting to express  
the strength of your character  
the magnitude of your essence and your presence  
with these tears that proudly fall from my brown eyes  
I keep our world afloat  
in my tears I see our pearls  
in a place where chaos and pain do not exist  
quench your thirst with the sweet fruit  
that our love has birth for us  
smile that grand smile of pride and grace  
be happy and rejoice  
knowing that your BLACK MAN is A MAN  
see that I am one man  
but there are others  
BLACK MEN,  
look into thy eyes and know that it is for us  
that I cry  
"THE TEARS OF A BLACK MAN"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Some times I wonder  
why I feel so damn deep  
and why things that aren't meant to cause me pain  
make me feel so uneasy  
I slept last night  
if sleeping is tossing and turning  
with a million thoughts racing through my mind  
in a description of what makes me so damn great  
it also makes me feel so damn weak at the same time  
my heart is a celestial star  
as bright as a smiling child's innocence  
a broken stem made of gold  
a petal-less diamond rose brute and stone  
my heart is a shattered mass of pain  
sheltered in the depth of a vacant box  
a chest  
"HAUNTED BY THOUGHTS"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Simply beautiful  
there will never come a time  
when you will have to worry  
because I will always be there for you  
I know what your heart wants  
and I know what you need  
but you have to acknowledge it for yourself  
the way you make me feel  
and when I see you is simply beautiful  
there is so much passion beyond this  
this is just the beginning of our life  
powerful are the thoughts that I have of you  
and with you  
our story is the realist love story  
that anyone will ever know  
to deny yourself of this one true pleasure  
is to abuse your heart by denying it love  
you and I, we are one  
don't abuse us  
love us  
be true to us  
give for us  
fight for us  
fight for our love and lets be  
"SIMPLY BEAUTIFUL"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Everything is magnified by a thousand  
my vision is blindly clear  
even the tears can't distort my sight  
empty thoughts warm my ears  
and the fear engulfs my heart  
like skin taped to my flesh  
this slow motion movie that has images of me  
is not sane and I protest with urgency  
fighting to be seen  
like the rising sun burning away the morning fog  
but he is not me  
I am a gallant man with loyal interest  
I am the understanding one  
I am the silent one who yearns your touch  
I am the unseen settled in darkness  
waiting to defend your honor  
"STILL WAITING"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Forever  
dearly my love  
don't you hear me calling  
tear drops keep falling  
my eyes have start to burn  
with visions of your smile  
your beauty spoils me  
you have me thinking  
that I'm living in a fantasy  
girl I'm waiting for you  
I need you  
baby I swear I can't breathe  
put your lips on me  
now tell me how it feels to see  
someone be what you want them to be  
for your love so tender and so sweet  
each day without you  
is such sweet sweet sorrow  
forever and always  
not just today or tomorrow  
"FOREVER".....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.



When I am without you  
I feel nothing but pain  
I want to lay down in the rain  
let it thunder tonight  
tonight is the night  
for pleasure and desire  
allow me to set your soul on fire  
I can make you burn in ecstasy  
while you quiver and anticipate  
your fantasy with me  
the strongest of these flames  
burn deep in my heart  
I know I will love you eternally  
but when will your love start  
when you are around  
I can feel it in the air  
let your lips press slowly  
then tell me that you care  
I know you said I love you  
to another before  
but this time it's different  
because I love you much more  
I hope in time you will see  
just how dear you are to me  
and allow our love to be  
"LET IT BE"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

I promise forever  
as we bind with love  
what we share here today  
promise that no man can take away  
too many times I felt the pain  
how my liquid love extends the rain  
as we bind with love shall we  
exchange our hearts  
mine for you and you for me  
I promise eternal peace  
as our love binds  
if we take our time  
then we will have forever  
and forever you will be mine  
I promise  
let us bow our heads and pray  
as we join our hands to say  
that if my time was to be over  
at least I loved you for today  
in every hope  
and in every way  
"I PROMISE YOU FOREVER".....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

The fake and the false  
the supplement cosmetics are for the effect of an illusion  
the painted swirls beneath your cheek and around your eyes  
distorts your beauty.  
the unnatural alterations that have been set in our minds,  
the fake and the false  
you are now willingly allowing these procedures to visually  
enhance your bodies. When your temple was produced and  
shaped in it's own perfection. You willingly adjust what is  
or what was unique, to become the same.  
victims of the fake and the false.  
You adjust so much to attract and you sacrifice so much to  
display glamour on your canvas, yet you put forth no effort  
to strengthen and maintain communication with your  
BLACK KINGS. yes I acknowledge that we as BLACK MEN have  
much to put forth.  
But understand that this world takes so much from us,  
that when we do return home with what little is left, You  
are unappreciative, and give no thought as to how much the  
world continues to take from US.  
A real man will not hesitate to tell you, that life without  
you is misery. Our creator created man and created woman as  
a gift to man. You are man's firs gift. YOU are my first  
gift.  
Without you, Imagine my suffering,  
Imagine my mental pain,  
Imagine my struggle,  
and Imagine my war.  
Try to understand that around every corner my enemy lurks.  
He tempts me, He pushes me, and He greets me with fangs,  
with ropes, with guns, with drugs, with jails, with prisons,  
and with hate.  
But when you appear all is calm and serene, then He smiles  
and YOU politely respond in just return. Then YOU turn to  
see the grimace, the hate, the flare in my eyes.  
And you begin to wonder why my mind is about to combust, when  
the fight that I continue to fight is for US, OUR LOVE.  
And when He leaves YOU believe my thoughts and feelings are  
unjust. Screaming that my fear is a fear for a lack of trust.  
LOOK at what they do to US, to them it's just. To me it's  
unjust,  
because MOST of US don't even respect,  
acknowledge,  
LOVE,  
OR CARE FOR SOME OF US,  
"WHAT IS TRUST"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Your sparkling eyes resurrect everything  
that I have lost in time  
and for me to regain them through you  
and with you only strengthens  
what we hold dear in this world  
our love, understanding, care, and communication  
are all that we need  
to have this I am willing to die with drastic measures  
a million times and more  
as long as with each passing life  
I will be able to somehow return  
to your loving embrace  
because of our honest and unconditional love  
each time will be better than the first  
a casual glance, a slight touch of hands  
to ignite the flames of our passionate embrace  
kind words with gentle thoughts  
and subtle kisses that can calm  
a cold and trembling soul  
I love you more and more each moment  
"OUR FIRST TIME ALL OVER"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Tell me,  
find away to tell me how you feel  
you are much more worthy of me entirely  
the whole me,  
the me that can ease any pain  
the me that comforts you beneath the rain  
my kiss is a passionate touch  
that can heal all wounds  
I can warm your soul beyond thought  
I can separate your mind, body, and spirit  
with my embrace,  
I can show you love  
beyond the life of a shooting star  
I can do so many beautiful things  
I do them each time we have a chance to speak  
when you look at me I often wonder  
if your visions are of what I see,  
see me kneeling before you with a single rose  
asking you to love me beyond my flaws  
feel me,  
holding your precious hands to my face  
whispering can I love you,  
after death and for eternity  
till death do us part.  
"MATRIMONY".....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

How does it feel to be loved  
how does it feel to be thought of  
how does it feel to know that you have an affect on me  
I can't eat  
I can't think  
and I can't sleep  
what would it feel like if you were me  
surrounded by thousands of people  
but still feeling lonely  
my flesh bound to steel  
that's why I gave you my heart  
so they can only inflict pain on my body  
I would give you my mind  
but then my memories would be gone  
in fact thinking of you holding my heart  
is what keeps me going  
just the thought of you loving me  
gives me the strength to survive  
tell me how does it feel  
knowing I would give my life  
and everything that I believe in  
unto you for love,  
for life,  
for real  
"TELL ME HOW DOES IT FEEL".....

by e.l.ballance ii.

Sometimes I forget who I am  
and what life is about  
sometimes I think love is pain  
and expressions are heard only when we shout  
at times I want to put nails in my hands and feet  
just so people in this world know how it feels to be me  
I thought GOD GAVE ME LIFE  
to make my wrongs right  
I thought it was a chance to meet you  
to carry love into my next life  
I don't know  
all I know is I love you  
even though you may not feel the same  
understand I can feel it  
life is crazy  
sometimes I don't know who I am  
maybe GOD gave me this life  
to receive this pain and torment  
maybe it's your place to make me feel like this  
do you see the type of thoughts that I have  
like a old man about to die again  
maybe this is how my life is suppose to be  
maybe I'm not suppose to know,  
"WHO I AM".....

By E.L.BALLANCE II.

If I knew what love was  
then surely my heart would constantly miss  
your joy  
your smile  
and your gentle kiss  
if I knew I had a chance to hold you in my arms  
then I would give no thought to your shattered image  
but rather enhance my boyish charm  
if I could sing to the glitter that resembles your eyes  
each song that is sung would release doves from the sky  
and the tears that appear to fall from your eyes  
is the happiness that I embrace as my angel cries

PLEASE

do not wipe you flawless face  
fore the tears that appear  
are the sweetest that I have ever taste  
I swear this to be true  
all my thoughts turn to you  
if only I knew how you felt  
""IF ONLY I KNEW"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II



If there was ever a time  
in my angel's eyes to fail me  
why would it have to be now  
if there was ever a time  
in your life that you loved me  
then why can't you love me now  
every moment passes my life away  
as does my soul  
my mind begins to drift  
just to escape the rain  
and my pain, my pain  
tell me how could it be  
why does it have to be me  
who feels this way  
when the person that I love  
refuses to feel the same  
if there is ever a time to love me  
tell me why can't you love me now  
for my life and this love  
if there was ever a time to love me  
let that time be now  
"IF THERE IS TIME"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Whats real

is it my unconscious state of mind  
that greets me like death each night

whats real

is it the light from the sun  
shouting into the darkest regions of  
our trials and tribulations

whats real

is it a still world with a calm wind

whats real

is it the thoughts that we create  
illusions of happiness

a tear-less face and a smile that never fades

whats real is,

time and pain

because from the beginning to the end

they are destined to remain

"WHATS REAL"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Before I released my soul to sight  
my views were cloudy and as dim as night  
your love gives me strength in my time of need  
except through passing moments  
when your visions elude me  
your heart is like a star in the distant sky  
unknown to my love  
no matter how hard I try  
still I stand here waiting for a sign  
searching through passing nights  
as if I have fallen from time  
at this moment picture me lonely  
the last man on earth  
loving you before existence  
giving you my heart at birth  
I am a man of eternal love  
a burden of present wishes  
and still I will love you forever  
giving no thought to your  
"SHATTERED IMAGE"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

## Fire

I am an action created by your thought  
sensual motions in your mind  
fascinated by your imagination  
slowly becoming the thrust between your thigh  
I simmer  
patiently anticipating  
your every move but I'm wrong  
so each caress is a gentle surprise  
my flames linger  
longing only for what I see  
with closed eyes  
I am in rage  
becoming a liquid ecstasy  
trying to hint with thrusting hips  
with each moment  
allow your flesh to embrace each trembling kiss  
the minutes are endless  
your desire increases my pulse  
as our hearts race to an endless beat  
I am just a spark created by your thought  
a filtered flame in your mind  
fascinated by your imagination  
quickly becoming the blaze between your thighs  
"I BURN"....

BY E.L.BALLANCE II.

Through distant thoughts

I have found myself in a place of eternal peace  
a place where one is not judged by his mistakes  
or short comings

this place that I have found

offers comfort beyond belief

my mind settles like silk in a summer breeze

my body floats on a cushion that molds

the exterior of my being like a drifting cloud

in a world of terror and chaos surrounded

by billions of people we are alone

mentally we are the population of the universe

beyond us there is no comprehension

as I slowly take your hand in mine

I begin to stimulate your palm

the map that unlocks your erotic bliss

with each touch and thought I begin to manipulate

caressing the tip of your fingers

a kiss or a lick here strokes the base of your feet

moving on,

the swirl of your knuckles if rounded properly

is the same as rubbing your inner thigh

with erotic feathers

and to kiss softly the web of your fingers

is like finally watching erupt in a fountain of ecstasy

to reach that peak and be the cause of such pleasure

is when

"TWO HEARTS WILL BECOME ONE"....

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Baby you don't have to wish or dream any more  
I'm here for you and I'm not going anywhere  
I offer to you me completely  
I am your friend if ever you should need one  
I am your man I will secure you  
and treat you with all the love and respect ~~the~~  
that you deserve  
I am your lover with every thought  
I will caress and kiss you passionately  
moving heaven and earth with every embrace  
I am your protector  
you will never know physical pain,  
mental, or emotional pain  
I got you ma  
I am all that you will ever need  
let me replace your pain  
give me your past  
and walk your future with me  
build with me  
be the copilot of my world  
look up at me ma and acknowledge my love  
but try, try to do it with more than just a smile  
"STILL WAITING"....

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I love you  
sometimes I want to write  
but then I don't know what to say  
I figure as long as you know I care  
then that should be enough to brighten your day  
but today is different  
the sun is shining and the sky is blue  
so to you  
I send eternal smiles  
and echo's of I love you  
because I do,  
"I LOVE YOU"....

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Deeper than love  
baby I am a lost man  
that has been touched by your love  
a love that I know  
I will never find again  
then again  
I can't believe that what you are feeling is real  
I'm dying  
my heart weeps beyond crying  
dying because I am yearning to feel  
your touch, your gentle ways,  
your love, and your dominate bite  
sometimes I think about it  
trembling while I struggle to write  
I'm right like wings on a dove  
I know it's crazy but it's swazy and it's  
"DEEPER THAN LOVE"....

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