

"Life" by Aisling Panjwani

Change.
It only takes a moment.
A baby's cry
A mother's sigh
And a father's loving smile.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
A new friend's hug
A mother wishes love
And a 'best dad' mug.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
A chorus of yells
Make-believe spells
And a birthday cake with one more candle.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
A teary wave
A plane going away
And going home with one less.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
A joining of hands
A lovers first dance
And a star-written bond.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
One has left
With a dying breath
And unspoken wishes.
It only takes a moment.

"And living,"

Change.
It only takes a moment.
An idea formed,
She stepped onto the stage, forlorn.
Yet, her voice rang true.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
Striving to be the best,
Going through numerous tests,
And making it to the other side, as a winner.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
The last of the seeing
Have lost to the blind
Who's only vision is that of green paper.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
As the air turns black,
Earth struggles to cry
Water again.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
As the sludge covers the last of the sea,
She struggles to breathe,
And the last of life dies with her.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
As they see those who are reborn purge
The earth of toxins they struggle to hide the urge
To jump for joy.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
As the earth is green
And the sludge-makers see
We are given a second chance at life.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
As they look back to find their pockets penniless
And their life meaningless
They finally see.
It only takes a moment.

Change.
It only takes a moment.
With pen to paper
Of Hannah's adventures
And Joanne's life changed for good.
It only takes a moment.

"Can be one."