



Blue sun in sunken skies
the sea sharpens to the shape
of Shark off the west coast
of Australia.






With black tips on his fins
and the space between stars in his eyes
ask – where is he going,
ask – what does he want?

An artistic illustration of an underwater reef scene. At the top, a dark, elongated shape represents the reflection of a boat on the water's surface, with vibrant orange and red ripples radiating from it. Below, the water is a deep teal color, filled with light rays filtering down from above. Several blue and black striped fish with yellow fins are swimming. Three bright orange shrimp are also visible, one near the center and two at the bottom. The overall style is painterly and vibrant.

This reef-watcher, jewel-guarder
will tell you he's lost –
lost in a place where the land pours
sand from an outstretched hand.

An illustration of an underwater scene. At the top, there are wavy, orange and red lines representing light reflecting off the water's surface. Below, a large grey and white shark is swimming in a curved path. In the lower left, a yellow and black striped fish is swimming. In the lower right, a large orange shrimp is visible. The background is a deep blue-green color with white bubbles and light rays filtering down from the surface.

He's too close to shore
and when a boat drops a net
like the lines on a globe
he opens a tunnel
of bubbles and light and
swim, Shark, SWIM!