

Terza Rima Sonnet

The Egyptian Labyrinth

- a Ancients said it surpassed the pyramids.
b There were three thousand rooms on two levels.
a Courtyards, columns, gardens in maze-like grids.
- b Considered a magnificent marvel,
c built as sacred temple near Hawara.
b described by Herodotus' travels.
- c With buried crocodile phenomena,
d perhaps hidden Hall of Records to find.
c Many milleniums since last hurrah.
- d Its art treasures and massive stones were mined
e Archeologists seek clues in rubble.
d What has time's passage, water left behind?
- e Does lost knowledge predict future trouble?
e Seems chips off old block could burst our bubble.

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1. 14 line version of Terza Rima. Also called the diaspora sonnet.
2. Italian origin.
3. Rhyme Scheme a-b-a b-c-b c-d-c d-e-d e-e
4. Meter: iambic pentameter or converted to Syllable Count: 10