

# Halfway

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### *WEATHER OBSERVATION*

*IT WAS THE CONSISTENCY BETWEEN US THAT CAUSED IT  
IT WAS OUR NEGLIGENCE THAT SAW IT COMING  
IT WAS OUR UNAWARENESS THAT WAS HELD ACCOUNTABLE  
IT WAS OUR ADMISSIONS TO EACH OTHER THAT WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR  
THE FIRST FLOOR FLOOD*

*I WAS SURE THAT YOU WERE NOT AT RISK  
I WAS SURE THAT YOU WERE SAFE FROM HARM  
WHEN I THOUGHT THAT MY PREDICTIONS COULD PREPARE YOU  
WHEN I THOUGHT THAT MY SUPPOSITIONS COULD SHELTER YOU  
FROM THE HEAT OF THE SUN*

*WE WERE PLANNING TO MEET HALFWAY  
SO NEITHER OF US WOULD BE TO BLAME  
THAT WE COULD ONLY GET THERE SEPARATELY  
AND WE WOULD NEVER BE THERE EQUALLY  
WHEN THE LIGHTNING STRUCK US DOWN*

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*International landscape, 2016,*  
Pencil on paper, ceramic tiles with  
permanent marker, 85 x 61 cm

