

How Can I Tell You?

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How can I tell you
What I'm trying to say?
How can I express
What I'm trying to convey?
You seem to be frightened
Perhaps even threatened.
You misunderstand my intent.

I just want to reach out to you,
To show that I care for you.
But you're taking my words
The wrong way.
I was just kidding you,
You thought I was judging you.
You took my words literally.
That's not what I meant.

How can I tell you
What I'm trying to say?
I find that my words
Just get in the way.