

## Elements (a collection)

### Fire

Raging heat  
Dry as the Sahara's cracked  
lipped surface.  
Where nothing  
but death exists  
and cacti try to survive.

It licks at life  
with hunger.  
Consuming and destroying  
any sign that growth was once here.



### Wind

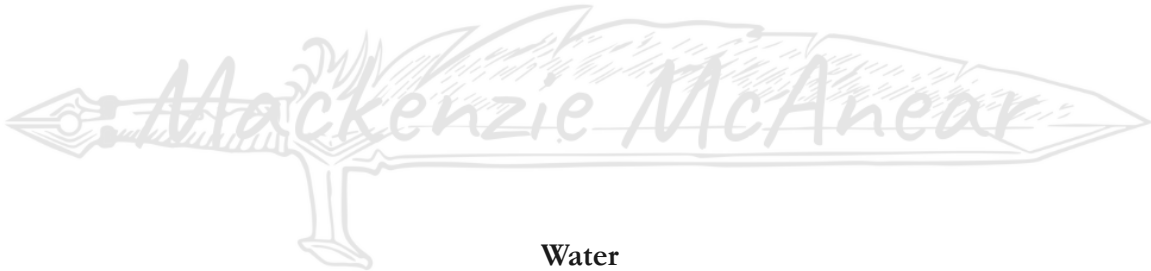
Creates movement in the lakes  
flames and soil.  
Nonjudgmental towards our clunky dance  
in the grassy meadow.

Free of sorrows and  
nonconforming to all.  
It holds our secrets and  
the last breaths of the dying.

## Earth

Solid and reliable under our feet.  
It rarely wavers with our steps.  
Catching us when we fall  
on grass or rock.  
Creating life with a drop and a ray  
It persists everywhere it grows.

Strong against the other forces  
that try to shape it into something else.  
We rely on what it has to offer us  
and provides willingly to our cause.



## Water

Fluid movements  
through wind and over gravel.  
It calms the mind and body  
when absorbed and submerged.

Helping to create life  
and having no mercy when taking it.  
Protects and nourishing the populous  
as it gives life to land, air and sea.