

Lemon Poem

Cyril is a tart
An egg with no yolk.
Porous and spongy and covered in blackheads.
Like a brown paper bag filled with mushrooms.

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Ascerbic, astringent, acidic.
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All segmented – pulpy mess veined in thin plastic skins.
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To be sliced, juiced, grated, pummelled; Cyril's skin clinging to mine.

All segmented – pulpy mess veined in thin plastic skins.
Always a cheap add-on, never the star.
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Cyril is a tart.

