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### Hudson

The lawnmower makes me wish  
I was an animal, some four-footed hoofed  
thing  
that lived on flower and tree bark.  
Its noise makes me run and  
hide in my room.

These clothes make me wish  
I was pure beast, a sleeked-furred carnivore  
that gave birth in a den  
fed carrion to my children.  
These clothes make me ugly and  
keep me meek.

This bed makes me wish  
I was alone, or something with claws  
that I had my own scent, and not that of the  
man  
that lumbers in here at night  
and says that I'm his.

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