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Giant Armadillo

Rat-tailed, pig-nosed, rabbit-eared fellow
Stuck in a turtle shell, poor armadillo.
Warts on his tongue and plates on his back.
Maggots and worms are his favorite snack.
He's a snuffler and snorter instead of a squeaker.
Often he smells like a very old sneaker.
He wears on one toe the world's largest claw,
So you'd think that everyone might stand in awe,
But he hides in a hole if someone says boo.
I wish I could tell him, "There's *no one* like you!"
With a hundred-tooth smile and his own suit of armor,
He's really a one-in-a-million-y charmer.

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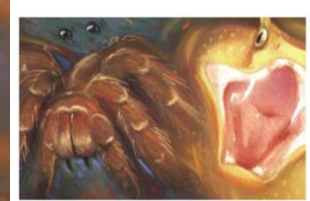


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Nightmares Tonight

A hairy bird-eating spider,
big as my fist,
with fangs poking from brown fur muffs,
stares at me with eight glittery eyes.
I'm going to have nightmares tonight.

An eyelash viper,
yellow as buttered corn,
with stubby horns above its eyes,
opens wide its fanged pink mouth.
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An upside-down brown bat,
hanging like a leather coat,
with squished-in face and vampire teeth,
sleeps in a hollow tree till dark.
I think I'll just stay awake.



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Jungle Concert

I roam through green silence,
then stop

to let blossoms of sound
unfold in many colors:

rustles in the underbrush,
crinkle of leaves as a monkey lands,
a jagged whistle cutting the air,

twee twee twee whit trickling down

from a tree,
a parrot's raak kraak kwaaa,
the chirps and whirrs of insects and frogs,

a noise like distant barks of a dog
becoming the roar

of a dozen winds

as howler monkeys cry.

Last the whish and spatter of rain
filling my ears,

filling the world
with no other sound but water.