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## cicadas

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**Conner Linger**

In the sunlight, gently, I am floating.  
Softly, I land with the birds  
who had slowed as to not pass me by  
(I keep losing feathers).

In a bed of them, gently, I am dreaming.  
Softly and still, I wonder, lonely,

but awaken to strange singing,  
and in near distances, discordant ringing:

*cicadas.*