

Katy Day

People Who Push Other People Out of Cars Don't Get More Cake

Who's pushed their brother out of a moving car?
Whose turn was it to have the front seat?
Whose defense was the car was moving slowly?
Who's said sloooooowly with extra Os?
Whose birthday party was it when
Who's climbed over the center console?
Who knows if they meant to pull the door handle
 while pushing against their brother with flat feet
 or if they were just using it for grip
 to pancake him against the window?
Whose mother rang the doorbell while
Whose schoolfriend's father answered the door?
Who stood on the stoop while
Whose brother led with bloody knees?
Whose mother flanked with her hands on his shoulders?
Whose mother had to lead with do you have any Band Aids?
Who's stood in orbit on the bottom step?
Whose backdrop has been two forsaken
 red balloons tied to the mailbox
 quietly beating each other?
Who's been exiled?
Who's had trouble celebrating decapitating
 the piñata after something like that?
Who knows candy in the grass has a way of looking like
 dead goldfish?
Whose mother stared at them with arms folded,
 head to one side?
Who's learned empathy? Who learned something different?
 Who knows?
Who's had the audacity to ask for more cake?
Whose mother had to say *people who push other people out of cars*
 don't get more cake?
Who never forgot? Who never forgot?