

milk tooth

noun

plural: milk teeth

1. we suck summer air into our lungs. empty glass bottles on the porch steps, orange ladybugs curled in the windowsills, strawberry stains on our hands and mouths, our laughter so golden-sweet. love looks like dandelions in bloom or the sweat sticking to our shoulder blades.
2. say deciduous. say bloodstains on our pillowcases and scabbed shins. say waking in the dark to a coin under the tongue. say soft limbs. say tug and strain of growing. say growing. say molting. say this pain will pass.