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Candy on a stick

Sweets and sugars
Held out from a distance
But all we see is the glittering crystal candy
And so we take, without realizing we were reaching

It makes me sick

We take without realizing
Its gaudy shimmers obscure poison
Perfectly thick to blend with crystalized syrup
And so we reject without realizing we were taking

It makes my tummy go 2-4-6

We were taking
Dark nights of angry commands
Turned to begrudgingly held hair and back-rubbing
Collapsing to linoleum with burning core and breathless choking
And so we have hot, bitter relief without realizing we were sinking
In duology of thinking and acting and teaching