Parakeet

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You wake up in the morning And fall out of your bed Mean cats eat parakeets And this one's nearly dead You dearly wish the wind would shift And greasy windows slide Open for the parakeet Who's colored bitter lime Open the window To lift into your dreams Baby, baby You can barely breathe A broken wrist, an accident You know that something's wrong You fold the leavings of your past No one knows you've gone The sunspot flares of the early nineties Light up your wings And scan the Short Wave Radio It's tracking outer rings Open the window To lift into a dream Baby, baby

You can't start to breathe
Tectonic dispatcher shifts
To smooth the ocean floor
And flattens out to warmer winds
On Brisbane's sunny shore
Where Buddhas tend to mending wrists
A tea made from the leaves
Of eucalyptus fragrances
And coriander seeds
Open the window
To lift into a dream
Maybe, baby
You can start to breathe
Open the window
To lift into a dream

Maybe, baby
You can start to breathe
You wake up in the morning
To warm Pacific breeze
Where mean cats chew on licorice
And cannot climb the trees

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