

Where Have All the Children Gone

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The creaking silence of age,
echoes through the streets,
sounds like old wooden floors
under heavy feet.All of the children once
running arround
have evacuated or maybe
they've just dissapeared.Where have all the children gone?Just yesterday they were
tieing ribbons in
trees and swinging from the branches.They were leaping over
hot coals and swooning
at anything.
Where have all the children gone?Those of us who remain
wander around like
abannoned children in
shopping malls.Where have all the children gone?Mabey this is just a dream
mabey they are sleeping in rooms filled
with metal shelves.If we put our ears to those shelves
they would tell us stories of how they
were emptied
emptied by the fingers of fathers.Emptied into the flesh of
their sons and daughters.Where have all the children gone?
We hope their just hiding
we hope their playing a game.
but we know this is really happening.Where have all the children gone?
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