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## Blistered Hands

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**BLISTERED HANDS**

Andy sits on the drive  
to fix the  
brown and lime green bug  
I take a seat  
on the hot pavement  
with the ants  
to watch Andy  
pull this fender  
from the ugly little car  
My attention drifts  
the sun is hot on my face  
and hotter on my blistered hands  
with one two three angry bubbles  
where I was splattered  
with frying grease  
from the grills at work  
The heat glistens on  
the ugly brown and lime green bug,  
like the sweat on Andy's forehead  
which my hands touch  
and wipe away  
before I tell them to.

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