right left right left right left
the thoughtless pressing run to liberation
breathe in breathe out
breathe breathe
the pace comes harder
speed is nothing
time uncounted
okay
okay
okay, breathe

here the boldened squirrel comes expectant—someone's been feeding him wee fat fellow no fear until uncertain he dashes for the trees stops watches, just in case the giant's hands hold out the forbidden reward okay ready when you are

right left right left
the mindless old man runs for liberation
breathe in breathe out
breathe breathe
the days grow shorter
past is countless
time is everything
okay
okay
okay

a nation so unlike the planet looking for monstrous generosity from a witless Goliath we don't fear until those crashing arthritic old knees stop and the forked tongue tastes the ambient poisoned air okay okay