

## Rest Stop

WHATEVER, DAD

Hello, van  
Fading turquoise  
A road trip  
To Virginia

It is late  
The sun is setting  
All the trees  
Are on fire

When the sky  
Turns to mauve  
You arrive  
At the rest stop

Don't believe  
The con artist  
Let us eat  
Something greasy

Save some seats  
The floor is sticky  
Wait on line  
For the bathroom

All the toilets  
Flush conveniently  
Smell the soap  
The wet fingers

Good to know  
We're all women  
Fix your hair  
In the mirror

Weight machines  
Save your quarters  
For bubble gum  
Ond old jaw breakers

Leave again  
Drink some water

Drive again  
Take your shoes off

Sink again  
Watch the windows

Fog again  
Trace your name out

Listen to  
The cars whisper  
Like a sea  
On the highway

Let's get stuck  
In boring traffic  
Orange lights  
Buzz impatience

It's okay  
You've got socks on  
Close your eyes  
Fall asleep soon

The radio  
Static  
Is singing for you  
Singing a lullaby  
For you

The dusty rain's  
Falling  
The moon's feeling lonely  
With you