

## the talking french cat

it gets darker and i hold my plastic frog in my hand and i pull the thumbtack  
out of my frog and i push the thumbtack into my frog and my talking french cat sits  
next to me in my chair and it doesn't say a word my cat doesn't and people  
they come into my house but i didn't  
i didn't invite them i  
they look at my things and they take my things before they leave but i don't  
i don't  
i don't let them they can't take my chair and my frog and my talking french cat  
they can't  
i won't

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i always put the matches and the lighter in the cupboard before i go to work  
always always always because what if someone broke in and wanted to steal  
they wanted to steal all the stuff i don't have anymore  
i don't have it  
all that  
it's gone so they get mad and they set my house on fire they set it on fire i'd  
come home from work and there would be fire trucks and police cars and people all  
looking and saying what a shame the man's house got  
it got burned down there goes his talking french cat and his chair and his frog  
did you see what he did to that frog  
did

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i keep  
my gates i keep them locked now so  
they're locked and so people can't even get into my yard i put  
late at night i went out and i put razor wire on the fence i nailed it

the firemen would have to stand in the street and spray their hoses from there  
if the robbers broke in and set my house on fire the police  
the police would keep the people back across the street sorry folks there's  
nothing to see here there's

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i have a club  
it's a club that's a branch from a tree and i wrapped  
razor i wrapped  
i wrapped razor wire on  
really it's a branch in the bedroom corner there's a knife under the bed just in  
case and the windows are shut  
they're shut  
i keep them  
and the doors are locked i won't be taken  
no one will take me  
i nail razor wire to my window frames on the inside  
inside my house with my cat and my frog i check the pilot lights every  
all of the pilots lights i check them every day  
there won't  
there won't be any accidents no sir

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i come home from  
home from work and the windows  
they're  
the windows  
the fences are torn down the razor  
someone cut my razor wire  
cut it all to shreds the pilot lights  
the lights are all blown out the matches and the lighter  
they're gone  
they're  
from the cupboard where i know i put them i checked three times  
three times three times always  
i count i always count

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it gets darker and  
it gets  
it's night  
the wind blows  
hard it blows hard  
i go out  
out to my back yard where i scream as loud  
as loud  
as loud i scream i want  
i scream and wrap myself in razor wire and fall to sleep on the ground and  
dream my talking  
my talking french cat  
i dream my cat has found  
it gets darker  
my cat has found