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Diagram of Color: My Body as a Glowstick

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my body / a glow stick,

crack me open, click my colors into place. neck, knuckles, arms, ankles, try to release the tension built up in my twisted body. feel my plastic skin break and start to glow.

what color is it?

Blue, like the veins inside me leading to a heart that's beating,beating, beating, a neon sign blinks 'we're open' but I fear it may not be for long, the sky above beckons for me to fly like a bird, but I much prefer the ground.

like the ocean the liquid flows inside me but one wrong move and the bubbles spill over the pavement when my body relaxes it's like popping a balloon, but this time I'm not scared of the noise.

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bright emerald eyes stare into my hazel ones, bearing into my soul, my body, breaking my bones with words instead of stones, bottling my fears inside with no plan for escape.

bet you've never seen a liquid the color of the grass unless it's

neon. radioactive. if you drink it, will your insides be glowing too?

maybe you shouldn't. I heard what's inside is toxic.

Red,

blood runs thicker than water but I fear the bonds with break along with me, binding in string doesn't always last forever, the tightness of the knot breaks with just a simple *snip*

bend my fist forward until i feel a release, bend my plastic tubular fingers so they have a color other than pale. or sunburn. or bruised. can you feel the colors change? what is it like?

Yellow,

blonde hair dances of the light outside my window that begs to be let in,

but I'm not focused on it.peering through the blinds, begging for attention,

begging for warmth to shower me in.

i'll give in, but when i stand i need to let go of my weight let my body sink into my feet, the carpet matches the walls and the glow now looks like sunlight, but when i open the blinds, i can't see the glow anymore.. Kaleidoscope, mix all the colors together to form one sea of rainbows so just for a moment my body can let go, breathe out the air bubbles, take it all in, each movement (each crack) each breath (each release) each reflection (each glow) each feeling (each sensation) separate the colors, separate the patterns, separate the stress from the sanity,

it doesn't matter the color now, just listen, hear them beg me to take a breath and try to release the **tension.**