Fireflies

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I don't think much will ever come of it It's just that nothing ever does We always go out with high expectations And then the sun sets, and I start thinking, 'causeThe red and the yellow The black and the blue It might sound kind of shallow But colors are all I ever knewThe fireflies are coming out The cicadas are quieting down These summer nights are like walking through The hiding place a child found The amber glow of the windows as we pass by little homes People talking in their living rooms They must feel so very much aloneAll these sterile rows of parchment houses and paper trees I don't know if you'd suppose that when dawn hits Everybody sees The red and the yellow The black and the blue It might sound kind of shallow But colors are all I ever knew

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