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## Horror haikus from a bad day

the phantom limb that  
is your iphone awakes you  
ten minutes early

you get up to your  
cat eating wet meat not dry  
it's a rotting rat

you slip on your shoes  
and there is cat vomit in  
them, and your cat laughs

your morning toast is  
actually your used dirty  
kitchen sponge, with jam

your bare foot sliced by  
a rogue, curled toe nail clipping  
trotting on the tiles

toothbrush is missing  
until you shower. Floats up  
from drain, in wet hair

the only clean clothes  
are washer wet but you stretch  
them and your skin on

cold air makes your snot  
drip and you cannot breath out  
without leaking green

google reminders  
pops up notification  
about a missed flight

but you didn't book.  
the flight passenger's name reads  
as emile pichot

paper cut between  
pointer and middle fingers  
makes it hard to type

aljazeera news  
announces that it is in  
fact owned by facebook

your manager reads  
over your shoulder, drools at  
your erotica

during lunch break your  
colleague chews very loud and  
spits out half-gnawed foot

you swallow lukewarm  
spaghetti and it slowly  
licks down back of throat

i.u.d. shifts and  
scratches your insides as you  
tug bloody diva cup

remove your contacts  
eyes burn due to library  
dust stuck on your hands

the finger you oft  
chew into no longer there  
since you chewed it last

your lover leaves you  
with a forever pulsing  
ellipses response