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## FLIGHTLESS BIRD, AMERICAN MOUTH

by Iron & Wine

**1. Listen to the song and fill in the blank spaces using the words from the box.**

Nursing	diving	Watching
bleeding	weeping	fishing
		Pissing

I was a quick, wet boy, (1)\_\_\_\_\_ too deep for coins  
All of your street light eyes wide on my plastic toys  
Then when the cops closed the fair, I cut my long baby hair  
Stole me a dog-eared map and called for you everywhere

Have I found you  
Flightless bird, jealous, (2)\_\_\_\_\_  
Or lost you, American mouth  
Big pill looming

Now I'm a fat house cat  
(3)\_\_\_\_\_ my sore blunt tongue  
(4)\_\_\_\_\_ the warm poison rats curl through the wide  
Fence cracks  
(5)\_\_\_\_\_ on magazine photos

Those (6)\_\_\_\_\_ lures thrown  
the cold  
And clean blood of Christ mountain  
stream  
Have I found you  
Flightless bird, grounded,  
(7)\_\_\_\_\_  
Or lost you, American mouth  
Big pill stuck going down

