

# Sugarfoot Pond

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we walked together  
me and Jimmy  
down dat dirt road  
to Sugarfoot Pond  
holdin' hands  
not sayin' nuthin  
jus walkin'  
and lookin' at the ground and such  
my heart was beatin' hard  
i could feel it in my hand  
at least i think it was *my* heart  
it was hard tellin' if it were mine or Jimmy's  
den a bird started makin' some racket  
and Jimmy say, hush up, you crazy bird!  
and den dat bird, it stopped yappin'  
just like dat  
i say, why you do that, Jimmy?  
why you tell dat bird to hush?  
and he say  
i was jus countin' your heartbeats, Emmie  
and you know what?  
i think they's the same as mine!  
i laughed at Jimmy  
but he was real serious lookin'  
and so den  
  i started lookin' real serious at him right back  
and den dat Jimmy  
he starts squawkin' real loud  
jus like dat crazy ol' bird  
and so went squawkin' together  
down that dirt road  
not doin' nuthin'

but squawkin'  
all the way down  
to Sugarfoot Pond

