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Media bites proliferate like
malarial mosquito bites—
from playschool we have passed
to the play place of our kitchens
which rule a world where bedrooms
merely twitter. Twice bitten you
might say when another sound-bite
trains you for life in gulps and gusts.
Oh, the life that flickers past faster
than a cardsharp's shuffling of the pack!

And twice shy now, too shy to gaze
into the depths for truth, wisdom,
we are the hard bitten. We face

the book of life and scratch the itch.

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