

Collin College

From the Selected Works of Tara Thompson

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Primary Drive

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“Primary Drive”

Take off is perfect
execution is timed
with precise body
position and speed

Once up there the
sky goes on forever
I spy the ground, my
heart fails to beat

The motor revs as I
twist the throttle
vibrating between my
tired but sturdy legs

Can I find the ground
without throwing up
or losing my grip
or breaking my back

Is someone watching
who will take my
picture and video my
skill and say damn

Once up there the
sky goes on forever
I spy the ground, my
heart fails to beat

I land with strength
bike falling onto the
sweet spot of the track
leading to the next flight