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BETWEEN THE SPECIES

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CHANCE

four pick-up stix
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1 into my palm
should i knit
a universe or a poem?
weave them in my hair
with tiny bows and knots?
tap out a tune?
... tra la las
save them in an old shoe box
(with 4-leaf clovers and dusty butter flys)?

cr/ack them like
cr/ay/ons across marbly knickles?
taste them as chopsticks
thrust into ----DEADANIMALFLESH ? shish kebab!
ponder their pattern
and display them in galleries?
or should i just
r
o
p them into your open hand
again?

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