**Outside on the convenience store wall,**  
  
graffiti from different artists mashed up and overlayed  
like a DJ blending albums; rusting screws and  
  
bits of metal, bent in tandem to missing A/C units;  
dandelion stems, twisted into gaps where concrete  
  
now weakens in widening cracks; 4 by 6 feet  
patches of wall once painted varying shades of blues  
  
now bare brown brick, with one fading smudge of  
pink gum, like the remnants of a bruise