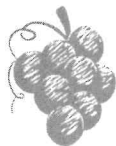


Knowledge of

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Eve biting into Newton's apple
Knew the attraction between the globes
Of fruit and Earth,
The bodies of herself and Adam,
The gravity of holding
The bubbles shaped by surfaces of stars.

Eve tasted the tart universe
Holding the red shift in her hands.



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