

## Rime Couee

### Fossilized Teeth

Dental hygienist cleans teeth's plaque.  
If I'm remiss she gives my flack.  
She likes teeth pearly white.  
Ancient DNA found in lack  
of teeth's care. We can see way back  
to know lives from teeth's plight.

### Let Us Breathe

Now what if we pollute our air  
so that no breathing is left there.  
Too thick, too dirty, still  
hanging over us—atmosphere  
too heavy, too dark—we're aware  
we made our planet ill.

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1. French form.
2. Six lines per stanza
3. Rhyme Scheme: a-a-b-a-a-b
4. Syllable Count: 8-8-6-8-8-6