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by Michele M. Serros

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The main audience - you inspired ^{this!}
If they only knew what we were up
to now,
today.

MONDAY, I used to hate Mondays
did you call in sick today?
- sick of boss man, boss & woman

Cat o nine whip
leaving a 9-5 foot scar on our
Sacred limits

- sick of sweating, spitting ^{blood} bleeding
over ~~3x5~~ 3x5 lined note cards for
in bio lab ~~books~~ exams

~~at~~ that academic holding facility
they call high school.

Did you call in sick today?

To saturate ^{that} Coco tropic ~~at~~ 25^{pt.} protectant
~~to display~~ ^{show us} → Irresistent, pearlescent ^{mini} mini
~~show us~~ ^{your} tote tagger ^{mini} ~~top~~

sterling silver ^{looped} ~~punctured~~
earrings
digging dogs, Kaleidoscope ^{glazed} eyes, tanned
in the midwestern sky
and that great mean fire ball

If they only knew what we were up
to Now.

To to - this certainly doesn't look like Kansas
anymore