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by Rachel Crane

I saw some grapes by the bank,  
Bluish-black on a twining vine.  
Teacher told me not to partake.

The dangling delectables  
with hungering exterior  
enticed me. My mouth watered  
for a taste. Wasn't my fault I  
wanted them. I grabbed a grape  
and ate it, grinned at Teacher's gasp.

My teeth pierced the fruit's flesh, juice  
oozed off my chin, but the seed-blade  
stabbed me back. Down it traveled,  
tearing, torturing,  
conquering, cutting—  
mutual piercing  
from our duel. The fruit bested me.