

# Counting Up Your Bones

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My bones fall in  
My bones fall out

You're cool as silk  
Beside my heart

Your bones glide in  
A silent tear that mingles marrow when you disappear

A dance we weave beneath our skin  
I keep you in me where the breath had been

I can hear them laugh and call me minnow  
Carrying on, coughing on my bones

But I'm counting up your bones  
I'm counting up your bones

Inside of me  
Inside of me  
Inside of me  
Inside of me

Your bones fall in  
Your bones fall out

I'm cool as silk  
Beside your heart

A dance we weave beneath our skin  
I keep you in me where the breath had been

Why's a minnow washing out the linen  
Tumbling and left out to dry alone

I'm counting up your bones